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MICHAEL JOHNSON

U.S. Veteran

Jan. 8, 1952 - Nov. 2, 2023

Michael Johnson, 71 of Lynnville passed away peacefully, November 2, 2023 at the Des Moines VA Medical Center. As was his wish, his body has been cremated. A private family graveside service will be held in the West Liberty Cemetery near Montezuma.

Michael Wayne Johnson was born January 8, 1952 to Delno and Nira Schneider Johnson in Denver, CO.

He attended school at Lynnville Sully and enlisted in the United States Marines from 1971 to 1978. Mike received his GED while serving in the Marines.

He was honorably discharged and on April 10, 1982 was united in marriage to Jessann Meredith in Lynnville. They became the parents of Ryan. Mike and Jessann ran the bus depot and cab service in Grinnell for several years.

He also worked at De Long's for a short time and Farmhand until it closed. Mike then worked for the Des Moines Register for five years and joined Whirlpool in 2001 retiring in July of 2022.

Michael served as minister for seven years in Searsboro until he had health concerns. He was good and loyal to his friends. Mike enjoyed cooking, baking, gardening, working on vehicles, and especially his family. He loved to tell stories to his grandchildren and taught them many things including cooking. Mike was very patriotic and proud of his country. Mike attended his grandchildren's activities and supported them in many ways.

His legacy will be honored by his wife, Jessann Johnson, of Lynnville; his son, Ryan (Kelli) Johnson of Sully; his grandchildren, Cayden (Jordyn) Johnson, Brodey (Stella Terpstra) Johnson, and Kendrick "Burt" Johnson; his two great grandchildren, Beau and Brooks Johnson; his mother, Nira Wilkinson of Mountain Home, AR.; his brother Charles (Deb) Johnson of Sully; his sister, Charleen Ahrenstorff of Mountain Home, AR.; and many other relatives and friends.

Mike is preceded in death by his father, Delno Johnson; his brother, George Johnson; and his brother-in-law, Michael Ahrenstorff.