

Clifton Wesley Johnson
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Clifton Wesley Johnson died peacefully at home in Sandy, Utah on February 23, 2011 from natural causes due to aging. He was born December 31, 1919 to Frederick Hans and Viola Grace Brown Johnson in Crescent, Utah. He was the 4th of 8 children. He attended Crescent Elementary, Draper Junior High, and graduated from Jordan High School.

He married Beverly Jaynes in Crescent, Utah on May 21, 1941. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake temple. They would have celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary this coming May.

He was employed at Utah Fireclay and later at Kennecott Copper in the Ore Haulage Department where he retired in 1983 after 41 years of service. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Among his many positions of service were: secretary of the High Priests group, stake missionary, branch clerk for the Crosslands Branch, he served in the Jordan River Temple for 19 years. He loved playing baseball and softball, coached, and played 3rd base for many seasons. He loved music and singing. He was a member of a quartet singing a variety of music from sacred to barbershop. Served in the U.S. Navy during World War II aboard the destroyer tender, U.S.S Whitney.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly of Sandy, Utah; sons, C. Ronald (Glenda) Johnson of Wellsville, Utah, Stephen W. Johnson of Canada, Jaynes Milton Johnson (Christine) of Hyde Park, Utah; two sisters, Vernice Carroll and Marva Smith; daughter-in-law, Carol Johnson of Island Falls, Maine; 21 grandchildren, and 28 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be held Monday, February 28, 2011, in the Crescent 30th Ward Chapel, 89 East 11000 South, Sandy, Utah at 11:00 a.m., with a viewing one hour prior to the service. There will be a separate viewing Sunday evening, February 27, 2011, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Goff Mortuary, 8090 So. State St., Midvale. Interment in the Crescent Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers we request that donations be made to the LDS Missionary Fund. The family would like to express appreciation for all kindnesses and condolences shown.