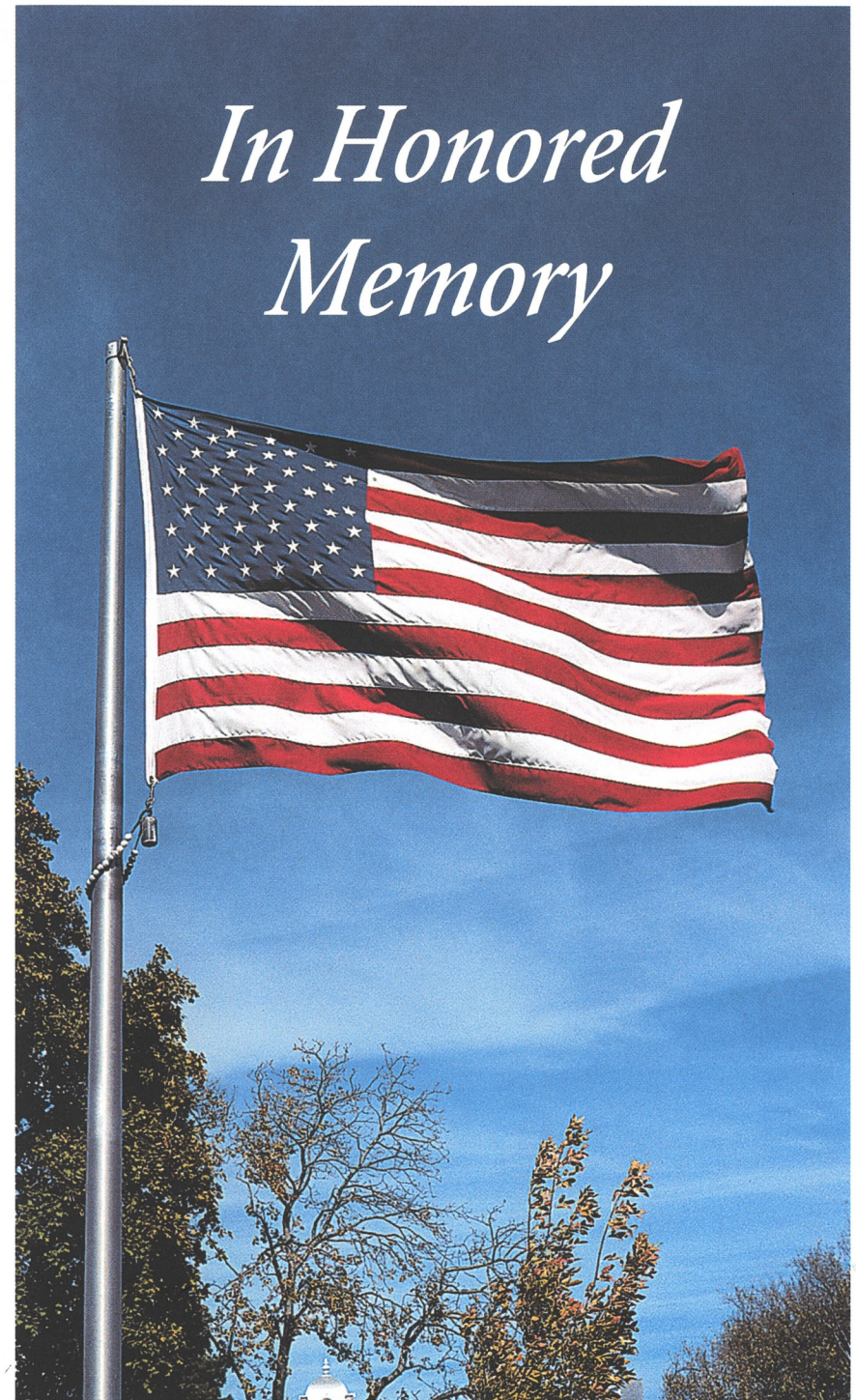


Charles Thomas Johnson was born on August 29, 1945, in Willmar, Minnesota, the son of Wenzel and Lou Ann (Bohanon) Johnson. He grew up in Willmar, was baptized and confirmed at the Willmar United Methodist Church and graduated from Willmar High School in 1964. From 1965-1971, Charles served in the U.S. Navy during Viet Nam. After his military service, Charles was employed at Control Data Corporation in Minneapolis for over 20 years. In 1992, he retired early due to health reasons. On July 23, 1994, Charles was united in marriage to Joan Marie Phillips. They made their home in Willmar and enjoyed spending the summers at the family cabin on Green Lake in Spicer. Charles enjoyed fishing, watching football and basketball games and listening to the 50's & 60's "do-op" music. He was a life member of the Willmar United Methodist Church, and member of the Willmar American Legion Post and V.F.W. Post.

Charles passed away Friday, March 10, at the V.A. Hospital in St. Cloud at the age of 77.

He is survived by his loving wife, Joan of Willmar; one son, Thomas; and two sisters, Mary (and John) Ramseth of Minneapolis and Susie Borchart of Waconia, besides other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.





I AM FREE

Don't grieve for me now

For I'm free

I am following the path

God laid for me.

I took His hand

When I heard Him call,

I turned my back and left it all,

I could not stay another day,

To laugh, to love, to work or play,

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it with remembered joy,

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Ah, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with time of sorrow,

I wish for you the shine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much,

Good friends, good times, a loved one touched.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me;

God wanted me now, He set me free.

In Loving Memory Of

Charles T. Johnson

August 29, 1945

Willmar, Minnesota

March 10, 2023

St. Cloud, Minnesota

Celebration of Life Service

Tuesday, April 4, 2023 - 10:30 a.m.

Peterson Brothers Funeral Home

Willmar, Minnesota

Officiating

Pastor Debra Schaffran

Willmar United Methodist Church

Music

Alan Jackson (CD)

"How Great Thou Art"

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Military Honor Guard

Austin F. Hanscom American Legion Post #167

Willmar, Minnesota

Spring Interment

Cloverleaf Memorial Park Cemetery

Willmar, Minnesota