



John D Whiteside

July 12, 1938 - August 18, 2019

John D. Whiteside, 81, of Johnson City, Tennessee, peacefully passed away on Sunday, August 18, 2019.

John was born in Sprigg, West Virginia on July 12, 1938. He was the son of the late Reverend Clinton Thomas Hickman and Mable Alice Coleman. His grandmother, Elizabeth “Lizzy” Whiteside was Irish and his grandfather, William Whiteside was Cherokee.

John went to school at Coeburn South, in Coeburn, VA and later attended Langston High School in Johnson City, TN, where he played football as offensive and defensive ends. He joined the United States Navy at the young age of 17 where he served as a Radarman 3rd Class E4 specialist. John worked at Old Memorial Hospital, as a maintenance person for Doctor and Mrs. Richard Costner, and retired as a supervisor of filter products at Eastman Chemical Company after 37 years.

On April 13, 1963, John married his loving wife, Mary Alice Rhea and enjoyed 56 years of marriage. He leaves to cherish his memories one son, Samuel Carl Evans (Mary Helen) of Church Hill, Tennessee; four daughters, Sharon Edna Redd (Michael), Edith Frances Tejada, Mary Johnetta Williams (George Van), and Tasha Carol Redd (Mark) all of Johnson City, Tennessee, and a godson, Wilford Glen of Houston, Texas.

John was blessed to have 15 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. He is survived by his brothers, Retired Navy Captain William A. Coleman Jr. (Joy), Franklin Hickman (Martha), and Mark Hickman (Renee); and sisters Harriette Henderson (Robert), Brenda Mayo (John) all of Tennessee, Glenda Lemay of Michigan, and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Hubert M. Coleman and Clinton Jamille Hickman of Tennessee. He was blessed with special friends, Marlyn Heaton, Charles Dudley, Boyce Young, Robert Hale Sr., Johnnie Collie, Charles Locke Sr., and Billy Fullen Sr.

John was baptized in the name of Jesus in 1972 and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in 1994. He was faithful to the work of the Lord serving on the Trustee Board, Usher Board, Baptismal Committee, Brotherhood Ministry, and loyal deacon of Grace Temple Church. John always served on the 3rd Sunday of the month on the security team at the church. How beautiful it is that God saw it fitting to take him home on the 3rd Sunday! His favorite songs were "Oh I Want to See Him" and "My Lord and I". John loved hunting, fishing, cooking and gardening. He was well-known for his yummylicious banana pudding and his great love for the brothers of Grace Temple.

John loved his family so much and adored making breakfast for his girls. He leaves a legacy of service to God and unwavering commitment to his family.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

2 Tim. 4:7-8

Funeral services will be held at 4:00pm Sunday August 25, 2019 at Grace Temple Church in Johnson City. The family will receive friends from 3:00pm

until 4:00pm at the church prior to the service. Interment will be Monday August 26, 2019 at Washington County Memory Gardens in Johnson City.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **25**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grace Temple Church
208 Garden Dr.
Johnson City, TN 37604

Service

AUG **25**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Grace Temple Church
208 Garden Dr.
Johnson City, TN 37604

Interment

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM - 11:15 AM (ET)

Washington County Memory Gardens
113 Memory Gardens Rd.
Johnson City, TN 37615

Tribute Wall



“ *John D Whiteside*

January 29, 2023 at 10:28 PM



“ *Mary Rollins lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside*



Mary Rollins - October 29, 2019 at 08:34 AM



“ *Louis Locke Jr lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside*



Louis Locke Jr - September 03, 2019 at 09:59 PM



“ *Katie Bailey-Hynes sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside*



Katie Bailey-Hynes - August 25, 2019 at 11:30 AM

RM

“ Hi...I'm Dr. Louis Grant, Pastor of Little Mt Zion Baptist Church in Weaverville,NC....Our thoughts, love, prayers are with you all and our sweet memories of Brother John and his humble quiet sweet spirit and charming warming personality will forever be "alive " in our memory banks of a true Christian who I/we never heard much talk from but saw his light shining O so bright! What a testimony he remains to Jesus CHRIST our Lord!
God bless his wife Rev. Mary Whitesides and comfort you! Love you dearly! Praying for and with you! Roman's 8:28

Rev. Dr. Louis Grant -Little Mt.Zion. - August 24, 2019 at 08:01 AM

DF

“ Debra F.Williams lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Debra F.Williams - August 23, 2019 at 06:11 PM

MP

“ Mt Zion Baptist Church Elder Julian Smith, Pastor purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John D Whiteside.



Mt Zion Baptist Church Elder Julian Smith, Pastor - August 23, 2019 at 07:25 AM

GN

“ George Nichols lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



George Nichols - August 23, 2019 at 02:05 AM

BC

“ Brenda A. And James Charles sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside



Brenda A. and James Charles - August 22, 2019 at 10:47 PM

WJ

“ Wilma Jenkins lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Wilma Jenkins - August 22, 2019 at 08:57 PM

LA

“ LAB sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside



LAB - August 22, 2019 at 03:01 AM

CB

“ Carol Bradley lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Carol Bradley - August 21, 2019 at 10:41 PM

SW

“ Susan And Steve Wagner sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside



Susan and Steve Wagner - August 21, 2019 at 10:13 AM

JW

“ JANICE WELLS sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside



JANICE WELLS - August 21, 2019 at 08:37 AM

CC

“ Chuck And Dianna Carroll lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Chuck and Dianna Carroll - August 20, 2019 at 03:39 PM

MJ

“ We (Jackson's) send our deepest heartfelt love and prayers to the family during this time. May GOD comfort you all. Much love to you all



Mary Jackson-Harris - August 20, 2019 at 03:26 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John D Whiteside.



August 20, 2019 at 01:23 PM

PR

“ You will be missed Johnny!



Pate Rhea - August 20, 2019 at 12:10 PM

MJ

“ Mary Ann James lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Mary Ann James - August 20, 2019 at 11:11 AM

KD

“ *May God be with you and your love ones during your time of sorrow*



Katie Moncrief Dave - August 20, 2019 at 10:05 AM

ME

“ *Melvin sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside*



Melvin - August 20, 2019 at 09:44 AM

SC

“ *Stacy Cox sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside*



Stacy Cox - August 19, 2019 at 10:04 PM

MC

“ *Micky & Stacy Cox lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside*



Micky & Stacy Cox - August 19, 2019 at 10:03 PM

AS

“ Arthur H Coleman Sr. sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside



Arthur H Coleman Sr. - August 19, 2019 at 08:11 PM

MH

“ Mearlin & Elizabeth Heaton lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Mearlin & Elizabeth Heaton - August 19, 2019 at 07:48 PM

LB

“ LEE & LYDIA BRIDWELL lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



LEE & LYDIA BRIDWELL - August 19, 2019 at 05:02 PM

CR

“ Cheryl Rhea sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside



Cheryl Rhea - August 19, 2019 at 12:42 PM

CR

*Ev. Mary Alice, First Lady Tasha, Sis.s Candy, Edie, Mary, Bro. Sam and your families,
May your happiest memories strengthen you and bring you peace.
Deacon Whiteside will be greatly missed. You're in our prayers. Love you all, Cheryl Rhea and Family*

Cheryl Rhea - August 19, 2019 at 01:06 PM

CF

“ *Carla Forney lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside*



Carla Forney - August 19, 2019 at 11:31 AM

CF

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Carla Forney - August 19, 2019 at 11:30 AM

VP

“ *Family you will always be in my prayers. I will miss Deacon Whiteside on this side, but will see him in glory one day. He is in the arms of Jesus. Be you ready to meet the Lord he was. Love you all*



VIOLA PATTON - August 19, 2019 at 10:43 AM

DO

“ *Debbie Oaks lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside*



Debbie Oaks - August 19, 2019 at 10:35 AM

DG

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Whiteside, Coleman and extended family. We are praying for your strength during this time.*



Daryl and Deborah Grey - August 19, 2019 at 10:16 AM

SS

“ *Sandra Stevens-Bell lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside*



Sandra Stevens-Bell - August 19, 2019 at 10:13 AM

WJ

“ *Wilma Jenkins lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside*



Wilma Jenkins - August 19, 2019 at 09:25 AM

CB

“ Charles Buford lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Charles Buford - August 19, 2019 at 08:31 AM

Mary Rollins

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Mary Rollins - August 19, 2019 at 03:30 AM

ED

“ Evelyn Debro lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Evelyn Debro - August 18, 2019 at 10:30 PM

AN

“ Angelo Newman lit a candle in memory of John D Whiteside



Angelo Newman - August 18, 2019 at 10:29 PM

GB

“ *G.L. & Trish Bristol sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside*



G.L. & Trish Bristol - August 18, 2019 at 09:53 PM

NG

“ *Nancy Greenlee sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside*



Nancy Greenlee - August 18, 2019 at 07:14 PM

JW

“ *JANICE WELLS sent a virtual gift in memory of John D Whiteside*



JANICE WELLS - August 18, 2019 at 07:08 PM