



Beverly Rosemarie Johnson

June 12, 1930 - July 28, 2025

Beverly Johnson was born into the family of Alex and Josephine Anderson on June 12, 1930 in Kost Minnesota. She was the youngest of three daughters. She and her sisters, Phyllis and Love Etta grew up among a joyful, close knit extended family; who all worked hard, enjoyed laughter, were active in their church and loved the Lord. Bev gave her heart to Jesus at an early age and remained steadfast in her faith throughout her life.

After graduating from North Branch High School, Bev worked in North Branch for a short time but then moved to Minneapolis. In 1959 she was asked to work at Evangelical Free Church Headquarters as secretary to the Head of Foreign Missions Department. Bev considered it a privilege getting to know the missionaries and seeing how God was working around the world. While working there, she had a chance to travel to many of the foreign mission fields. She loved her job and remained there 35 years, retiring in 1994.

Although Bev had no children of her own, she was a second mother to each of her nieces and nephews and an extra grandmother to her great nieces and nephews. She was devoted to us. She was there to give us love, encouragement and comfort through both the joys and trials of life; as well as advice and correction when needed. Above all, we knew she always prayed for us.

About a year before her retirement, Bev became acquainted with Al Johnson. He was a widower who was wonderfully kind and charming. They married in April of 1994. Al's children lovingly welcomed her into their family. Bev's new family enriched her life and brought her great additional joy. Bev and Al attended the Maplewood First Evangelical Free Church and were active in the ACTS community and the Senior programs there. They stayed busy with their families and enjoyed taking occasional trips. They shared 20 cherished years together before Al's death in 2015.

On July 28, 2025, at the age of 95, Bev's journey here on earth was over and she stepped into heaven. The past year she had been in considerable discomfort and had expressed to family members she was ready to go home. She will be greatly missed by all of us who dearly loved her. We may shed tears, but we rejoice knowing she is with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She has been released from her pain and is reunited with all of her loved ones that have gone on before her. We are so thankful that we have the promise that we will see her again.

Through the years one of Bev's favorite Bible verses was Proverbs 3: 5-6. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your paths straight." She certainly took that verse to heart and showed it in her own life as her trust in the Lord never wavered.

We thank God for Bev's example of enduring love and faith in Christ. We know that she would say, and we agree "To God be the glory!"

Celebration of Life Service will be on Saturday, October 4, 2025 at 10:00 am with visitation beginning at 9:00 am. Services will be held at Washburn-McReavy Shoreview Chapel, 515 Hwy 96 W. Shoreview MN 55126.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 4. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Shoreview Chapel
515 Highway 96 West
Shoreview, MN 55126

Chapel Service

OCT 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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515 Highway 96 West
Shoreview, MN 55126

Tribute Wall



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Beverly Rosemarie Johnson.*



October 02, 2025 at 08:59 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Beverly Rosemarie Johnson.

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“ *Bev was the EFCA Overseas Missions Secretary when Doug and I met her. We were going to be missionaries in Hong Kong. She was always so kind and gentle and took care of many of our details. Then in the mid-90's when we returned from the field, she was at our home church, now married to Al. Many fond memories of her and Al. Lorri Whorton*

Lorri Whorton - September 20, 2025 at 09:53 AM



“ *Bev was next to youngest cousin, I was youngest and we lived less than a mile apart. Many evenings were spent together growing up with many memories..Bev lived a long life and is missed greatly..*

Doug Johnson - August 15, 2025 at 08:33 PM