



Keith W Johnson

August 11, 2014

Johnson, Keith W. Age 67, of Bloomington, MN, passed away on Monday August 11th of complications following a recent lengthy and serious heart surgery. Keith was born September 21, 1946 in Crosby, ND, the son of Seymore and Ruth Johnson. A 1964 graduate of Crosby High School, and NDSU math major. His life work was primarily in the computer field as a systems analyst, working for various companies as well as doing independent contract work. He was a generous person in so many ways. He opened his home to many guys who needed a place to stay, temporarily or longer term. He shared both his time and money with many ministries, missionaries and causes. He was a long-time active member of Grace Church. His life experiences as well as much study in the fields of history, politics, Christian apologetics, and economics culminated in his writing a book, "Endowed by Our Creator", published last year. Keith was preceded in death by his parents, Seymore and Ruth Johnson. He is survived by special Aunt Mabel Johnson of Fargo, ND; sister Marjorie (Daryl) Rahfeldt of Elgin, IL; and sister Sandra (Greg) Olson of Dent, MN. Also surviving are the following: Marjorie's daughters Emily Rahfeldt of Streamwood, IL; and Gretchen (Rafael) Arellanos of Streamwood IL and their daughter Violet. Sandra's children are Kevin (Karina) Olson of Fargo, ND and their daughter Claire; and Angie (Jeremy) Berg and their children Damaris, Hans, Gracia, Solveig, and Nia of Bemidji, MN. Keith will be greatly missed by his family, as well as by a host of friends and associates. Service 11 AM SATURDAY, visitation 1 hour prior, Grace

Church, 9301 Eden Prairie Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55347. www.atgrace.com
Private interment Crosby, ND. Bloomington Chapel (952) 884-8145 www.washburn-mcreavy.com Arrangements by Albin Chapel

Tribute Wall

JL

“ I met Keith through my recent years of political activism. He was a sincere man, truly interested in the greater good and influential because he expressed his well-thought-out ideas in the kindest of ways, sadly rare in the field of politics. He will be greatly missed.

Joel Lemke - August 17, 2014 at 02:52 PM

TJ

“ We were shocked and saddened to learn of Keith's passing. He was a man of God who was always upbeat and positive and had smile on his face. I also appreciated his passion for politics and enjoyed reading his book. He will definitely be missed!

Tim & Debbie Johnson - August 15, 2014 at 09:39 PM

MF

“ I'm very sorry to hear of Keith's passing. He was a true patriot and will be missed. My deepest condolences go out to his family.

Michael Fiato - August 15, 2014 at 04:23 PM

CC

“ Our whole family sends deepest sympathies to Keith's family. Keith was a home town friend with whom we visited usually during the Crosby summer threshing bees. One year ago at the threshing bee dance, Irene, Colleen, and Betty had fun dancing with him. We were hoping to see him at the dance this summer. Keith was always upbeat, positive, and kind with an enthusiasm for life. We will all miss him.

Irene Christenson, Colleen, Betty and family, Barry and family, Cheryl

Colleen Christenson - August 15, 2014 at 03:52 PM

HG

“ I meet Keith a few times at John Birch events in the Minneapolis area. My reflection of him is a man of faith and passion about his God and his country. A copy of his book resides in my office, he will be missed. Fond memories forever to his family.

Harlan Goerger - August 15, 2014 at 01:56 PM

BD

“ I was shocked and saddened to hear of Keith's passing as we had been in contact during his rehab from his latest heart surgery. But I was comforted by knowing he was immediately in paradise with our Lord. Keith was the first person who welcomed me, sat by me and was so friendly when I attended my "free guest breakfast" the first time I attended Grace church over four years ago. We continued to keep in contact weekly as he volunteered at the Welcome desk at door 4 every Sunday - always in a smiling, welcoming, joyful, helpful, lovely way. The light of the Lord truly shined through him and I believe he was a great asset to our church and a wonderful ambassador for our Lord everywhere he went.

My deepest sympathy to his family, some of whom I know spent a lot of time here helping Keith out after both of his last heart surgeries. He was blessed to have had such loving family members.

I was happy to see his obituary finally on this website and will certainly be at his funeral tomorrow.

*God bless,
Bobbi Dorothy*

Bobbi Dorothy - August 15, 2014 at 01:28 PM

CV

“ My deepest sympathies for the tremendous loss of Keith. I have known Keith for over 20 years through Grace Church. He was a very kind, gentle and compassionate man with a heart of gold. His deep relationship with Christ goes without question. The Holy Spirit always shined within him and it will be a glow in our lives that will be sadly missed. My prayers for healing go with you. May you keep his memory alive always in your hearts, for Keith is happily living in his true home now with his beloved Savior.

Carmen Velarde - August 15, 2014 at 10:44 AM

DW

“ I met Keith at Grace Church over 30 years ago and have been blessed to see his quiet generosity spill over on the lives of many people. He has always been kind, positive, and encouraging to everyone he meets. We will miss him but rejoice that his BIG heart is now beating perfectly in Heaven. You family members are in our prayers.

Deb Warwick

Deb Warwick - August 15, 2014 at 10:19 AM

MG

“ I met Keith when I moved back to Minnesota in 1989 and started working for The John Birch Society. He was already a veteran Life Member. Keith attended many meetings sometimes I think just to be supportive as he already knew about the issue being discussed. He was my friend and I will really miss him. One of the best!

Mark Griffin - August 15, 2014 at 09:48 AM

MG

“ *Mark Griffin lit a candle in memory of Keith W Johnson*



Mark Griffin - August 15, 2014 at 09:41 AM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Keith W Johnson.*



August 15, 2014 at 08:57 AM

CM

“ *Craig M. purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Keith W Johnson.*



Craig M. - August 15, 2014 at 06:00 AM

BO

“ *I will always remember Keith's faithful and predictable attendance at almost every MacLaurin Institute lecture. He seemed to be insatiably curious about whatever helped build an effective Christian apologetic. ----Bob Osburn, Wilberforce Academy*

Bob Osburn - August 15, 2014 at 05:11 AM

DJ

“ *My sincere sympathies to al of you. Keith was a wonderful person and I have fond memories of him. He was a good friend to all and my brother Jerome truly will miss him. May the peace that passes all understrandng be with you in this time of loss.*

diane johnson - August 15, 2014 at 04:20 AM

ND

Marjie and Sandra, my love and prayers go out to you and your families in the loss of Keith. I have fond memories of our visits with all of the Johnson family. Keith was such a wonderful person--always friendly, smiling, welcoming, and a good conversationalist. All who knew him will miss his goodness, his kindness, and his lovely personality. ...Nancy Gjovig Dutchak

Nancy Dutchak - August 15, 2014 at 03:34 PM

ES

My prayers and condolences on the loss of Keith, a dear family friend from Crosby. May God bless his memory.
Ellen Gjovig Shaw

Ellen Shaw - August 22, 2014 at 01:52 PM