



Mr. Mordecai Lincoln Johnston

May 14, 1931 - June 18, 2023

Mordecai Lincoln Johnston (aka Mike), a native of Opelika, AL. entered eternal rest on June 18, 2023 at the age of 92. He was born on May 14, 1931 to his late parents: Reverend Thomas Clifford Johnston and Lola White Willis. After graduating high school, Mike joined the United States Marines in 1951 where he served his country. Upon joining the Marines, he gave his life to God and was baptized. Upon leaving the Marines he migrated to New York City where he married his childhood sweetheart Thelma Louise Pollard. Mike went on to become a printer and co-owner of Prospect Printing Plant in Brooklyn, NY.

Mike was also preceded in death by his brothers; Thaddeus Clifford Johnston, John Johnston, William Decker Johnston, and Jeremiah Wycliff Johnston. He was preceded in death by his sisters Mary E. Johnston King, Portia Ruth Johnston Wilson and Myrtle Bethune Johnston Cameron.

He leaves behind his loving wife of 70 years Thelma Louise Johnston; 2 daughters, Linda Johnston Lockhart (Thaddeus) and Janet Johnston Jackson of Opelika; 1 granddaughter, Anjolie Adams of Oakland, CA; 2 bonus grandsons: Patrick M. Lockhart (Miya) of Mobile, AL. and Thaddeus Lockhart Jr. of Indianapolis, IN; 3 bonus great grandsons, 2 sister-in laws, Dorothy Gist and Loretta Pollard; 1 special nephew Larry Mitchell of Opelika, AL; 1 special godson Michael Pollard (Logan) of Brooklyn, NY and a host of loving nieces and nephews.

Mike loved sports and played basketball in high school. He loved to

dance and sing and was always the life of the party. He played the trumpet and the bass guitar. He was a handyman and could fix/repair anything. He loved the Lord, praying on his knees every day until his age prevented him from doing so. He always had a good sense of humor and could find the positive in the darkest situations.

When Mike returned home to Alabama after retiring, he reconnected with his high school friends Richard Lockhart and Caleb Peterson and spent many hours fishing. Mr. Lockhart and Mr. Peterson both preceded him in death. We like to think that they have reunited again and are sitting by a lake up in heaven laughing as they are fishing. Mike turned 92 May 14 th (this past Mother's Day) and died June 18 th (this past Father's Day).

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

1409 Monroe Avenue
Opelika, AL 36801

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 21. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Peterson and Williams Funeral Home
1016 McCoy Street
Opelika, AL 36801
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Graveside

JUN 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

Evergreen Cemetery
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Please accept our sincere condolences.
Uncle Mike was loved by all who knew him.
He will be missed.
Denise Brooks- Parks and Sabrina Brooks-
Walker*



Denise Brooks - June 21, 2023 at 10:58 PM

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“ *Constance Echols lit a candle in memory of
Mordecai Johnston*



Constance Echols - June 21, 2023 at 03:05 PM