



## Michael C. Johnston

September 18, 1948 - September 11, 2012

Michael C. Johnston, 63, of Beavercreek, passed into the arms of Christ on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012, at Hospice of Dayton after a courageous battle with cancer. Mr. Johnston was born in Meriden, Connecticut to the late Willis and Lillian Johnston, and was preceded in death by his brother Norton.

Survivors include his loving wife Barbara of Beavercreek; children: Kevin (Evelyn) of Dayton, Michael (Andrea) of Delaware, Ohio, and Christine (William) Hefner of Wellston, Ohio; grandchildren: Lynn, Nathan, Carmen, Caroline, and Brendan; brother Timothy (Marilyn) of Southington, Connecticut; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cherished friends.

He was an honorably discharged U.S. Marine combat veteran of the Viet Nam Tet Offensive, and subsequently completed a 36 year civil service career in aircraft maintenance, technical data, and advanced aerial combat systems.

Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, Sept. 17, at 1:00 P.M. at Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home, 135 Broadway Street, Jackson, Ohio, where the family will receive friends from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Funeral services will be conducted by Pastor Jerry Lung, followed by burial with military honors at Fairmount Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Dayton or charity of

choice.

Condolences may be sent to [www.mayhewbrownfuneralhome.com](http://www.mayhewbrownfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

KJ

“Dad, While my heart aches for your voice and presence, I'm thankful for the time God granted us to be together, and I know that you are now in His presence with those you love. You're now on an eternal journey of peace and happiness, and to my fullest ability, I'll emulate your character and honor your memory. You leave a legacy of character and love, and you will never be forgotten. While your earthly birthday is September 18, I'll equally remember September 11 as your new birthday, which is when Christ opened the Gates of Heaven and embraced you for eternity. I love and miss you, but we'll all be fine thanks to your foresight and nurturing Your Loving Son, Kevin

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**Kevin D. Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“We'll all certainly grieve in our own ways, but e can be assured that dad has transitioned into an eternal journey and existence and will forever be watching over us. Let's all remember to embrace each other and create a continued celebration of his life and legacy.

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**Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

ES

“Carry on Mike! Make sure the gates of heaven remain secure. Semper Fi! Capt. Ed D. (E2D) Seaman, USMC. "Marines, we don't suffer from insanity, we ENJOY every minute of it!"

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**Ed D Seaman** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

LD

“ *Michael C Johnston you were loved by everyone! Why? Because of your kindness, and the way you helped everyone you came in contact with. It was like you totally were over joyed to have the opportunity to help people. Thank you for being our guardian angel while here on earth! I hoped we would get the opportunity to visit you at hospice but God took you home on the very day I found out that you were there. Thank you to your sweet daughter for calling us to let us know you were there. I said to her you are such a good daughter and she said I have a good Dad that would have done the same for me. Mike I can't even begin to tell you how much you will be missed. Thank you for making it possible for me to have the job that I have without you it would have never happened. Thank you for helping me with my appraisals that made me sound irreplaceable to say the least. Thank you for all the laughs we shared! Thank you for taking my Jim for treatment when he was so very sick. God will never welcome a sweeter angel! You will be our buddy forever! Jim and Lori Denney*

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**Lori Denney and Jim Denney** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

TK

“ *I was a co-worker with Mike from 1989 to 1998 working on development of the T-1A technical orders. Thanks to his guidance and wealth of knowledge, the program was very successful. He was a professional and a dear friend. I truly valued our friendship and time together. Mike was always someone to lend a hand or an ear. He will be deeply missed on WPAFB! Thomas P. Knapke*

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**Thomas Knapke** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ To All,I want to express sincere thanks on behalf of dad and our family for everyone who shared in his life celebration. Special thanks go to Jasopn Brown and the mayhew-Brown staff, Dr. Malek safa, and the Hospie of dayton staff. There were so many memories shared that it would be impossible to address each of you individually. To all immediate family, co-workers, associates, and friends, we thank you again, as well as the United States marine Corps and local VFW contingent from Jackson.Sincerely,Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn Johnston

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**Kevin D. Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ Dad,

*We were all just thinking of you and chatting about the memories and funny stories from over the years. We want you to know that you're in our hearts each and every minute, and that we're all doing fine. We love you and cherish your memory, and will be reunited in Glory.*

*Love,*

*Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn*

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**Kevin, Evelyn, & Lynn Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ dad,

*Today is mom's birthday, and the first with you in Heav We know you're watching over us, and while time is supposed to heal all wounds, we still bear a burden with your passing. We each get comfort by knowing that your profession of faith has led you to a place of eternal joy and happiness, and we just wanted to say that e love you.*

*Love and Peace,*

*Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn*

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**Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KL

“ Dad,

*We just wanted to say hello and let you know we're all fine. The impact that you made on me has allowed me to create a much better path for all of us, and we wanted to let you know how much you're loved and missed.*

*Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn*

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**Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ Dad,

*We all wanted to say helo and to expres our joy as you spend your first Christmas in Heaven in the presence of our Lord. You displayed courage beyond belief, and while we yearn for more time with you, we recognize that you are now in an eternal atmosphere of love and peace that cannot be measured. We love you and look forward to when we are united again in the presence of Christ.*

*Love,*

*Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn*

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**Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ dad,

*We were just thinking of you, and wanted to enter this to say hello and give all praise and thanks that you are in the presence of our Lord. You are greatly missed, and your strength throughout your journey is a symbol of courage.*

*Love,*

*Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn*

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**Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ Dad,

*We just wanted to pay respects and honor your first Easter in Heaven, celebrating our risen Savior in His presence. You are in a perpetual state of glory, and we love you and know that you are well.*

*I tend to reserve these entries as special and personal messages, and this is no different. I miss you terribly and love you in a fashion that cannot be expressed. I struggle from time to time in coming to grips with loss and my own personal struggles, but when I have those moments, I get back up and press on as best I can.*

*All of the grandchildren are well, and Mike is doing an exceptional job assisting in the administrative matters of the day.*

*I just want you to know that we'll all be fine, and I've taken a bit of a different spiritual Christian journey that I think will allow me the peace and tranquility that the Lord provides.*

*Always know that you're in our hearts, and your lessons, courage, and humility will be the framework for my actions now and in the future, until we as a family are united in the Lord's Kingdom.*

*Love,*

*Kevin, Evelyn, Lynn, and Serenity*

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**Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ Dad,

*It's been some time since I wrote or posted here, but you are in my thoughts, prayers, and dreams daily. We all love and miss you, and I often think of the wonderful times and close bond that we shared.*

*We're all doing well, and Lynn is doing an exceptional job with Serenity. I often wish that we could speak, but I'm confident that the Lord opens a portal for you to hear my conversations and prayers.*

*You were the very best, showing courage, dignity, and concern for others in every way. I love you dad, and I speak for the entire family when sharing that. I will always be your little boy. May you experience the Glory of Heaven, and I know that you dwell in the presence of Christ.*

*With Loving Thoughts,*

*Kevin, Evelyn, Lynn, Tasha, and Serenity*

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**Kevin Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ To Anyone who reads this now or in the future,

*It's been nearly a year since my dad passed away, and while I'll be submitting another journal entry on September 11, I wanted to take this opportunity to openly thank his friends and family for the support and gracious good will shown during his service. Special thanks go to Jason Brown, Hospice of Dayton, and to dad himself for expressing a sense of dignity and compassion even in the most turbulent time of his life.*

*Kevin D. Johnston*

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**Kevin Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ Dad,

*I haven't written or posted here for a while, but you're always in my thoughts and prayers. Evelyn and I have joined a new church that you would very much enjoy; the message speaks to many of the values that you always expressed.*

*My circumstances are changing more fore in a positive fashion. I pray that the Lord open a portal for you to hear our conversations and watch over us.*

*You were so dignified in all that you did, showing concern for us and feeling as though you were a burden during your illness. As I always told you, you would not have hesitated to help any of us in the same way if we were in a similar circumstance, and you carried our burdens in many ways.*

*You displayed bravery and dignity throughout, and the life changes that I have to pursue are a testament to your memory. We all love you, and praise the Lord for your salvation as you're reunited with your loved ones and prepare to celebrate your second Christmas in Heaven.*

*In God's Care,*

*Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn*

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**Kevin Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ Hi Dad,

*This is just a message from me, Evelyn, and Lynn thanking God for the time we spent with you and to wish you a blessed second Christmas with our Lord. We miss you terribly and I personally wish I could see and talk to you again, but it's also selfish to wish that, understanding that you are in a Presence of eternal joy and happiness.*

*I'm sorry for the times that I might have disappointed you, especially with recent actions. I also know I haven't lived consistently with calling myself a Christian, but those lapses have changed and I'm now more committed than ever.*

*We're all thankful for your salvation, and we love and miss you. However, we know it will be in a twinkle of an eye that we're all reunited, and we wish you a blessed Merry Christmas in the Lord's kingdom.*

*Love,*

*Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn*

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**Kevin Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KS

“ Dad,

*We wanted to collectively say hi on the second anniversary of your entry into Heaven. While we continue to miss you and think of you daily, we maintain the assurance and inspiration that we will all be united in the glorious presence of our Savior. Ironically, this day of your passing represents a day etched into the memories and history of this nation, which you courageously defended both during and after your military service.*

*We had grown so close during your final two years, and I cherish each and every memory. At a very young age, you unselfishly accepted responsibility for mom and I, and at the time most others were more concerned with their social life, you became a man, demonstrating qualities that should be emulated.*

*You remain in our hearts and memories, and I thank the Lord for your transition of faith. We all love you and miss you, and I'll navigate the day thinking of you in my own special way.*

Love,

*Kevin, Evelyn, Lynn, & Serenity*

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**Kevin, Evelyn, Lynn, & Serenity** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ To My Dad,

*Blessings to you on your third Christmas in Heaven. We miss you and yearn for your presence, but we also know that you are in the presence of the Lord, with those of us who passed before us. Your legacy and contributions will never be forgotten, and we love you. Merry Christmas!!*

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**Kevin, Evelyn, & Lynn Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KJ

“ *Dad, It's been four years today since you passed into the arms of Christ. We love you and miss you, and know that you're at peace. You will always be remembered and cherished. Love, Kevin, Evelyn, and Lynn*

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**Kevin Johnston** - June 29, 2018 at 10:56 AM