

Dwight Leonard Johnson

March 4, 1938 -April 29, 2025

Dwight Leonard Johnson went home to be with Jesus on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, after 87 years. He was with his wife Jeanette and passed away peacefully in his sleep. He was preceded in death by his parents Ralph and E.J. Sturgeon Johnson of Denver Colorado, sister Ruthanne Johnson Jansen of Bend, Oregon, brother Ralph Edgar Johnson (Judy) of Denver, his first wife of 52 years, Elizabeth Camp Johnson of San Diego, California, and a baby daughter of Denver.

He is survived by his wife Jeanette, of 11 years of Colorado Springs, Colorado ; sons: Dwight L. Johnson, Jr. (Trish) of Colorado Springs, Eric S. Johnson (Patsy) of Parker, Colorado and Stephen D. Johnson (Sara) of Huntsville, Alabama; grandchildren: Shea (Kymm), Emily, Adam, Cooper, Cassie, Ethan, Aidan, Isabella and Tate. He is also survived by 2 great granddaughters, 3 nieces, 5 grandnieces and 2 grand nephews, and by two first cousins: Cathy Thomson of California and Charlene Johnson of Washington.

Dwight was born and raised in Denver, graduated from East High School in '56, and then the University of Colorado, Boulder, in '61. After graduation, he served in the US Navy as an Electrical Line Officer aboard the USS Princeton during the early years of the Vietnam War. Leaving the Navy in '63, he joined his father Ralph at Sturgeon Electric Co., the family business in Denver, and he enjoyed a very successful career. As owner of Sturgeon, he sold the company in 1978. He continued to work entering the estate planning field with Connecticut General Insurance, and in 1987, he moved to San Diego (Point Loma), California with Betsy and Stephen and got involved in many things including real estate developments in San Diego County.

He started the Men with a Purpose Christian Business Men's Group meeting on a monthly basis which kept him quite busy. He and Betsy enjoyed traveling and seeing family throughout the country. After Betsy passed away in 2013, Dwight met Jeanette Robinson and they moved to Colorado Springs after getting married on Labor Day weekend in 2014. He was able to continue his Men with a Purpose Christian Business Men's Group with a Chapter in Colorado Springs starting soon after moving back to Colorado.

One of Dwight's Legacies will be having built the World's Largest Lighted Cross on Mt. Lindo on the Olinger Mortuary/Cemetery property in Morrison, Colorado. It was first lit on Easter Sunday of 1964.

Dwight was involved with many Churches and non-profit Christian organizations including First Presbyterian Church of Colorado Springs. He served on the National Board of the

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Youth for Christ, Young Life, the YMCA, and his many ski clubs/associations throughout his many years of life.

He was a proud member of Rotary International as a third generation Rotarian for 60 years and was a member of many clubs including the San Diego area, Club 31 in Denver, and his last club the Downtown Rotary Club of Colorado Springs.

Donations in lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Dwight's name to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, c/o The Dwight and Ed Johnson Family Camp Scholarship Fund.