

## Mr. Robert "Rabbit" Johnson

June 21, 1939 - June 1, 2025

Robert "Rabbit" Johnson, 85, of Tampa, born on June 21, 1939, entered into eternal rest on June 1, 2025. He was a supporter of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, and Shriners International, and enjoyed fishing, sports, and reading the newspaper. He was preceded in death by wife, Arilla Smith Johnson. He is survived by children, Larry Johnson (Andrea) of Lutz, Gary Johnson of Tampa, Theresa DiPaolo (John) of Sidney, Ohio, and Tina Alderman (John) of Tampa, and their mother, Melba Curtis; 8 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and 8 surviving siblings. A graveside service will be held Friday, June 6 at 10:00 A.M. at Hopewell Memorial Gardens, 6005 South County Road 39, Plant City. Expressions of condolences at [www.HopewellFuneral.com](http://www.HopewellFuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South  
Plant City, FL 33567  
(813) 737-3128  
office@hopewellfuneral.com  
<https://www.hopewellfuneral.com>

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

**JUN 6.** 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

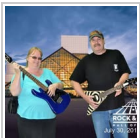


“ Theresa DiPaolo sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Robert "Rabbit" Johnson



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**Theresa DiPaolo** - June 05, 2025 at 11:10 PM

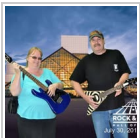


“ Theresa DiPaolo lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Rabbit" Johnson



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**Theresa DiPaolo** - June 05, 2025 at 11:09 PM



“ We were asked to think of memories of daddy to share. I remember one Christmas daddy bought five tens speeds for Christmas. He and Marie sat up all night putting them together. He never did that again, he said that he would let the man at the store put them together.

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**Theresa DiPaolo** - June 05, 2025 at 11:08 PM



“ Pop You are greatly missed 😭 already. I love you pop and Thank you for the life you gave mom.



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**Nancy Alderman** - June 03, 2025 at 07:42 PM

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“ Norman, Robin, Michael Neese planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Robert "Rabbit" Johnson.

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**Norman, Robin, Michael Neese** - June 03, 2025 at 06:03 PM

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“ Norman, Robin, Michael Neese purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Robert "Rabbit" Johnson.



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**Norman, Robin, Michael Neese** - June 03, 2025 at 06:03 PM