



Jack Duane Lawson

October 22, 1924 - September 17, 2015

Jack Duane Lawson, 90, of Charlotte, NC peacefully passed to his eternal home on Thursday, September 17th, 2015 while a resident of Sunrise on Providence Assisted Living Facility. Born in Detroit, Michigan on October 22, 1924, Jack lived in Jamestown, New York for 73 years before moving to Charlotte, NC with his wife Ethel Jane (Johnson) Lawson to spend his retirement years with his family: daughter, Darla Jean (Lawson) Johnson (husband Dean); son, John Charles Lawson (wife Carla); and five grandsons (known to them as "Grandpa Jack"): Bryce Taylor Johnson (wife Jodi), Tyler Jonathan Lawson (preceded him in death while serving in the U.S. Army in 2012), Colby Dean Johnson (wife Emily); Tanner Jacob Lawson; and Trey Douglas Johnson.

Married at Zion Covenant Church on May 24th, 1958, Jack and Ethel recently celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary. Meeting at a wedding in 1957, both admitted having an instant attraction - to a younger woman with a red Ford Fairlane convertible and to an older man with movie star good looks.

Jack served in the U.S. Army during WWII, where he picked up the nickname "Jitterbug Jack." That fun-filled spirit carried throughout his life, with family and friends fondly remembering his joyful disposition, smiling face, and positive attitude.

Always hard-working, Jack took pride in being a meat salesman for 41 years and winning a ruby ring that he proudly wore for selling the most pounds of meat in 1979. While living in Jamestown, he was involved at Zion Covenant Church where he taught Sunday school, ushered, held board positions, and played on the summer softball team. Jack also enjoyed a men's bowling league, regularly playing golf (he swung his clubs well into his 80's), and taking family vacations each year.

Moving to Alpine Village in Mint Hill in 1997, Jack quickly got involved in community and church activities, including the Hickory Grove Baptist Church golf group; volunteering to attend the tee boxes at Quail Hollow golf tournaments; the Kings and Queens senior group at Weddington United Methodist Church; and an adult Sunday school class and the O.F.I.A. senior group at Stallings United Methodist Church where he was currently a member.

In Jack's free time, he avidly read books (sometimes two or three a week); played cards (Rook) with his grandsons; challenged Ethel to Cribbage and Scrabble; watched reruns of Matlock and Walker; attended his grandsons' ball games, went to professional sporting events with his family, continued traveling with Ethel for as long as he was physically able, and always took center stage at family gatherings. He also made sure the family's Swedish heritage was celebrated by making korv (potato sausage) and serving bondost cheese and spritz cookies at Christmas.

Most importantly, Jack passed on a legacy of faith-filled commitment to God, his marriage, and family. Reading his Bible every day, honoring his wife with love and devotion, and showing interest in his family with prayers and his time, Jack led a life worth living...and will be GREATLY missed by all who knew and loved him.

In addition to his Charlotte family, Jack is survived by his sister, Beverly

(Lawson) Klang, in Jamestown, NY, and preceded in death by his sister, Marilyn (Lawson) Rowland, and his parents, Truman Waldo Lawson and Hilda Josephine (Anderson) Lawson.

A memorial service celebrating the blessed life of Jack will be held on Thursday, September 24th, at 7 PM at the Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home, 4715 Margaret Wallace Road, Matthews, NC led by Pastor Scott Ireland of Stallings United Methodist Church. The family will receive friends following the service. A private interment with military honors will take place at a later date at Sunset Memory Gardens, 8901 Lawyers Road, Mint Hill, NC. For full details and to leave memories and condolences, please visit www.LoweNeddoFuneralHome.com or call 704-545-3553.

Memorial gifts for Jack Lawson ("Grandpa Jack") can be sent to UNPACKIN' it Ministries, Inc. P.O. Box 473173 Charlotte, NC 28247. You can also do this online at <http://www.unpackinit.com/give>

UNPACKIN' it is a faith and sports radio show that Jack's grandson, Bryce Johnson, stepped out in faith to start in 2014. Through a weekly broadcast, Bryce passionately shares the Gospel of Jesus Christ with sports fans around the country. As a sports fan and a man of God himself, Jack financially supported this ministry from its inception, and faithfully prayed for Bryce to continue furthering the kingdom of God in the years ahead.

Link to a tribute Jack's grandson gave in honor of his Grandpa Jack on his national radio show:

<http://www.unpackinit.com/daily-podcasts/special-tribute-bryces-grandpa-jack#.Vf36Kt9Viko>

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memory Gardens

8901 Lawyers Road
Charlotte, NC 28227
<http://www.cmseast.com/sunset-memory-gardens/>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

SEP **24.** 7:00 PM (ET)

Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home
4715 Margaret Wallace Road
Matthews, NC 28105
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<https://www.loweneddofuneralhome.com>

Reception Following Services

SEP **24.** 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jack Duane Lawson*

October 05, 2023 at 07:26 AM



“ *Jack Duane Lawson*

October 24, 2022 at 08:52 PM



“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Darla J Johnson - September 24, 2015 at 03:07 PM



“ *Our sympathy to you Ethel and family from Nancy and Jim Magnuson. Jack was a very special cousin to me. Think fondly of our growing up years in Jamestown. So glad you met Jack at our wedding. That was a fun time. May God be very close to you as you grieve the loss of Jack. What a wonderful life you have had.*

Nancy Magnuson - September 24, 2015 at 03:06 PM

DJ

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Darla J Johnson - September 24, 2015 at 03:05 PM

DJ

“ 9 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Darla J Johnson - September 24, 2015 at 03:00 PM

RS

“ *Hope the families are doing well. Always a tough loss when the head of a family passes. Mr. Lawson was a fair and upstanding man that will be missed by all that had the honor to have known him. Wishing you all the best.*

Randy Smith and Family

Randy Smith - September 24, 2015 at 12:44 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jack Duane Lawson.*



September 24, 2015 at 12:20 PM



“ *To Aunt Ethel, Darla, and John. Our deepest condolences to you on the passing of our wonderful Uncle Jack. Jack was always so kind, gentle, patient, and honestly interested in our lives. He was a true example of the Christian life being lived out among us. How many great memories of childhood Jack gave us, especially in the most important times of each year. I will miss him greatly, but count myself a lucky and privileged man to have had Jack as my uncle. May you sense the Lord's deep abiding presence in your life each day as you move forward in the time God gives you on this earth. Jack is now with the Lord, and we await our meeting together again with him and all of our family! Let us know how you are.*
Daniel and Oksana Johnson, Youngsville PA 716 489 6993



daniel johnson - September 23, 2015 at 06:11 PM



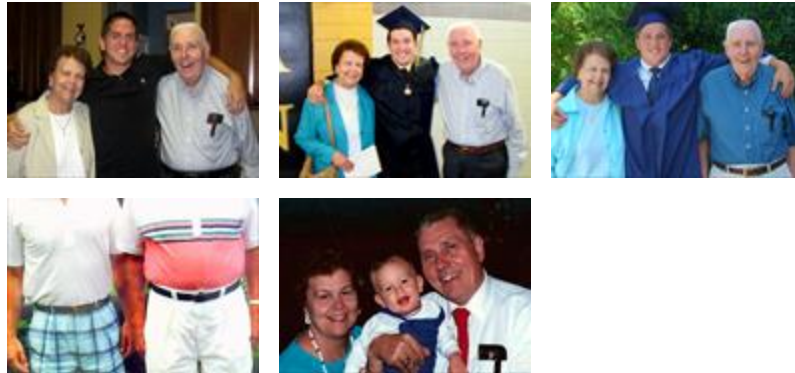
“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Jack Duane Lawson.*



September 23, 2015 at 01:22 PM

DJ

“ 21 files added to the album Memories Album



Darla J Johnson - September 23, 2015 at 07:39 AM

AJ

“ *There is no way to lessen the sorrow of losing someone so precious to you. Please remember others care very much and pray you'll feel the presence of the Holy Spirit who will give you strength and comfort at this sad time.*

Jack was such a happy, friendly guy. It was always a joy to talk with him when he and Ethel were at Zion Covenant Church. The Lord be with you all.

Love and my deepest Sympathy, Audrey Johnson - Jamestown, NY

Audrey Johnson - September 22, 2015 at 08:46 PM

DJ

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Darla Johnson - September 22, 2015 at 09:08 AM

MF

“ Mike and Danette Rutherford Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Jack Duane Lawson.



Mike and Danette Rutherford Family - September 21, 2015 at 11:08 PM

DJ

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Darla Johnson - September 21, 2015 at 01:11 PM



“ 12 files added to the album Memories Album



Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home - September 21, 2015 at 11:24 AM