



Devon Lamar Johnson

July 28, 1993 - November 6, 2018

Devon Lamar Johnson, age 25, of Charlotte, North Carolina, passed away Tuesday, November 6, 2018 in Bluefield, West Virginia.

He was born in Mercer County and was the son of Brenda Griffith Johnson of Princeton, West Virginia and the late Albert Johnson.

Devon was a former professional football player having signed with the Carolina Panthers. He played high school football at Richlands High School Class of 2012 and went on to play four years at Marshall University graduating in 2016. In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Meriland and Mae Griffith and his paternal grandparents, Hayborn and Gladys Johnson.

Survivors are:

Girlfriend: Brittany Smith

Sisters:

Savannah Griffith of Princeton, West Virginia

Kellie Johnson and fiancée Maurice Crockett of Charlotte, North Carolina

Brothers:

Jeffrey Johnson and wife, Ruthie of Ft. Wayne, Indiana
Adrian Johnson and wife, Frances of Pounding Mill, Virginia
Austin Johnson and fiancée, Francesca Rasi of Bluefield, West Virginia
Albert "AJ" Johnson, Jr. and girlfriend, Kathleen Carpenter of Huntington,
West Virginia

Nieces and Nephews: Gabriell Johnson, Amelia Johnson, Brianna Farley,
Elizabeth Farley, Seth Johnson, Brandon Farley, Brent Farley, Jordan
Johnson, Noah Johnson, and Illana Johnson.

Funeral services for Devon Johnson will be conducted Sunday, November 11,
2018 at 1pm at the Southwest Virginia Community College Community Center
Gymnasium in Cedar Bluff, Virginia with the Rev. Craig Barber, Kevin
McGlothlin, Greg Mance, and Doc Holiday officiating. Interment will follow at
Hartwell Cemetery in Hartwell, West Virginia. Pallbearers will be: Lee Tessner,
Dre Scott, Todd McGlothlin, Jonathan Blankenship, Gatlin Spangler, Josh
Hess, Heath Brown, Cody Johnson, Jack Gammon, Cody Fuller, and D.J.
Hunter. Honorary Pallbearers will be former teammates of Richlands High
School and Marshall University football teams. Friends may call from 11:00am
until 1pm on Sunday at SVCC, 724 Community College Road/Rt. 19 South,
Cedar Bluff, Virginia. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia is in
charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may
do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Hartwell Cemetery

Hartwell

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

SVCC Community Center
Rt 19 South
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

Funeral Service

NOV 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

SVCC Community Center
Rt 19 South
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

Tribute Wall



“ *Devon Lamar Johnson*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Devon Lamar Johnson*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *A YOUNG PERSON'S PASSING IS EVERYONE'S LOSS ! TEARS AND PRAYERS FOR ALL IS NEEDED ! SEEK GOD IN ALL YOUR TIMES ; TIMES OF PLENTY AND ALSO TIMES OF SADNESS AND HOPELESSNESS !*



PAUL - November 16, 2018 at 04:27 PM



“ *A true american with the spirit and heart too play amazing football...gonna miss ya Devon...we r Richland's....*



Christopher Ryan rogich - November 15, 2018 at 09:49 AM

JA

“ Jerry N Linda Alley lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Jerry n Linda Alley - November 14, 2018 at 07:25 PM

JA

“ Jerry N Linda Alley sent a virtual gift in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Jerry n Linda Alley - November 14, 2018 at 06:25 PM

BL

“ Brenda, I cannot imagine the heartbreak you are going through. You were always proud of your children, but Devon was special to you. My heart breaks for you loss and am praying for you and your family. Kathy Burge

bluefieldkathy@yahoo.com - November 13, 2018 at 06:12 PM

KF

“ I'm sorry for your loss my heart is breaking. Devon was a wonderful man and a awesome football player I love to watch him at his time at Marshall I always said I was going to marry him someday. Thoughts and prayers for this family and friends he will truly me missed wish I could be there. Love you always Kitti French your biggest Marshall fan. ❤️❤️🏈❤️❤�

Kitti French - November 11, 2018 at 05:16 PM

CK

“ *May God comfort you and fill the void in your hearts. Christine Kinser*



Christine Kinser - November 11, 2018 at 02:30 PM

HE

“ *SOME BIRD'S FEATHERS ARE SO BEAUTIFUL ; THEY CANNOT BE CAGED !*



HERATHER - November 11, 2018 at 12:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Devon Lamar Johnson.*



November 11, 2018 at 12:17 PM

SB

“ *Beautiful person I only met once. My heart goes out to the family, there are no words to ease your pain.*



Susan and Brian Black - November 11, 2018 at 05:23 AM

SE

“ FOR ALL FLESH IS AS GRASS, AND ALL GLORY OF MAN AS THE FLOWER OF GRASS, THE GRASS IS WITHERED , AND THE FLOWER THERE OF FALLETH AWAY: BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURETH FOREVER !



SEIMON - November 10, 2018 at 11:21 PM

WS

“ William Johnson Sr sent a virtual gift in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



William johnson sr - November 10, 2018 at 06:31 PM

TF

“ The Witcher Family lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



The Witcher Family - November 10, 2018 at 06:30 PM

HE

“ MAY GOD KEEP YOU ALL WRAP IN HIS ARMS DURING THIS MOST HARDEST TIME OF YOUR LIFE. HE WAS ONE OF MY SONS GOOD FRIENDS MY HEART GOES OUT EACH AND EVEEY ONE OF YOU.



Heather - November 10, 2018 at 04:54 PM

AF

“ I knew Devon's mother very personal! I can remember going to Richland's to watch Devon play one night! He walked his mother out on the field!! Devon was a very liked person & always had a smile on his face!! Football was Devon's life!! A life taken way to soon.. Devon impacted so many life's.. He'll be missed by us all.. And he always made time for children no matter what... Prayers going out to Brenda and the rest of Devon's family, Devon's football brothers, coaches and all involved... He'll surely be missed by us all... RIP #47 Devon Johnson



Amy White friend of Devon & his family - November 10, 2018 at 04:54 PM

LJ

“ Condolences to the family and friends of Devon Johnson. He was one of my favorite Marshall players when I was following the Herd from Michigan. I have since found my way down to Marshall.

Larry Launstein Jr - November 10, 2018 at 07:05 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Devon Lamar Johnson.



November 09, 2018 at 07:05 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Devon Lamar Johnson.*



November 09, 2018 at 06:53 PM



“ *Rebecca Monk Lester Street sent a virtual gift in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Rebecca Monk Lester Street - November 09, 2018 at 05:30 PM



“ *Aaron lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Aaron - November 09, 2018 at 04:38 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Devon Lamar Johnson.*



November 09, 2018 at 02:05 PM

Rhea Addair

“ Rhea Addair lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Rhea Addair - November 09, 2018 at 02:01 PM

Rhea Addair

“ Rhea Addair sent a virtual gift in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Rhea Addair - November 09, 2018 at 02:01 PM

ER

“ Elizabeth Ryan sent a virtual gift in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Elizabeth Ryan - November 09, 2018 at 01:41 PM



“ I watched Devon play every HS game for 3 years while I lived in Johnson City, TN and I drove to Hattiesburg, MS and Birmingham, AB to watch him while he was at Marshall. And even though he hardly knew me he was kind enough to spend some time with me after the games, sign my jersey, and he called me his "friend". He will always be a star in my eyes. Prayers for Devon's family as they deal with this tragedy.



Ricky Smith - November 09, 2018 at 01:19 PM

CG

“ Devon is loved by many people and will be missed by many. He was a great man too young to leave this world.



Coleen Marie Gallardo - November 09, 2018 at 12:54 PM

MS

“ I never got a chance to meet this young man but once he put that Marshall helmet on He instantly became a Herd Brother for life..May the Lord be with his family..Mark Sherrod

Mark Sherrod - November 09, 2018 at 11:53 AM

MW

“ Mike & Dottie Wingo sent a virtual gift in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Mike & Dottie Wingo - November 09, 2018 at 10:40 AM

WI

“ *EVERYONE LOVES A WINNER , A SPECIAL FRIEND LOVES A LOSER !*



WISDOM - November 09, 2018 at 10:25 AM

JS

“ *One of the striking things about Devon was that infectious smile and his kindness toward everyone he met along life's path. I watched Devon interact with people of all ages, races, and colors, and he consistently treated everyone with a personality that just glowed. He may have been a star athlete, but the star that burned brightest was the way he treated people and how they walked away feeling better because of that interaction with Devon. Rest easy, young man. Your legacy of kindness will live on forever!*




Jodie Snyder-Norris - November 09, 2018 at 10:23 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Devon Lamar Johnson.*



November 09, 2018 at 10:19 AM


Cynthia
Owens

“ Cynthia Owens lit a candle in memory of
Devon Lamar Johnson



Cynthia Owens - November 09, 2018 at 09:40 AM

JP

“ Joshua Pennington lit a candle in memory of
Devon Lamar Johnson



Joshua Pennington - November 09, 2018 at 09:40 AM


Shannon
Clark

“ I am sorry to hear about the passing of Devon. He was a
phenomenal football player and much loved by his Herd family. He
was also a great person. I had the opportunity to meet him once and
get his autograph, he was so kind about it and took a few moments
to talk to me. Prayers for your family during this difficult time.

Shannon Clark - November 09, 2018 at 09:20 AM

MP

“ Monica Pennington lit a candle in memory of
Devon Lamar Johnson



Monica Pennington - November 09, 2018 at 09:09 AM

MK

“ *My prayers are with your family at this sad time. Devon was always so strong but just as sweet when you would talk to him. It was an honor to have him at Marshall. As I am working on the Marshall Senior Banners today, I will be remembering making his just a few short years ago. I hope all young people will realize just how fragile life is and to cherish every moment. Much love to you all.*
Michele Kuhn



Michele Kuhn - November 09, 2018 at 08:50 AM

MA

“ *Mary lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Mary - November 09, 2018 at 08:01 AM

DD

“ *Prayers for Devon's family, I met him when he worked at Gabe's.. great dude! RIP*
Dion Dean



Dion Dean - November 09, 2018 at 07:57 AM



“ *TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



TonyanEdgar Wicks - November 09, 2018 at 07:52 AM

CH

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed watching Devon play while he was at Marshall. Prayers for all of you.*

Cathrine Hann - November 09, 2018 at 07:51 AM

BC

“ *My prayers go out to his family and friends my kids grew up with Devon and I know he will be missed. Devon was a special young man who left the county and done so good in life it breaks my heart to hear of his passing. Truly a amazing young man who will be missed by us all.*

Beverly Collett - November 09, 2018 at 07:37 AM

LC

“ *I remember me and you talking in fat patty's man this hurts man I love all my brothers of Marshall and I will always be a son of Marshall.
R.I.P ROCKHEAD swear ima miss you*

Leron Carn - November 09, 2018 at 07:10 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Devon Lamar Johnson.*



November 09, 2018 at 07:03 AM



“ *Georgina Adkins lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Georgina Adkins - November 09, 2018 at 06:50 AM



“ *Pat Rickey Lyons sent a virtual gift in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*




Pat Rickey Lyons - November 09, 2018 at 02:18 AM

JK

“ Though I never met Devon personally, many other people I know that have always spoke about how he was a friendly and genuine a person. He would treat others kindly and politely speak to everyone he met whether they knew him for years or just happened to recognize him on the street. His celebrity at Marshall University and later as a Carolina Panther never changed him. He remained just as friendly and genuine. It is a true pleasure knowing that wonderful people like Devon exist and offer a prime example of how we should all conduct ourselves through hard work, professionalism, and friendliness. I am deeply saddened by the news of Devon's passing and offer my sincere condolences.

James Kuhn - November 09, 2018 at 02:05 AM

VF

“ Devon was a great brother/ friend/teammate to my son, Jason while he was at Marshall. I loved to watch him run that ball and how his smile lit up a room. Sending prayers and condolences to his family. He will be missed! #47/Rockhead we love  you!!

Verraina Freeman - November 09, 2018 at 01:00 AM



“ Sharon Lester lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Sharon Lester - November 09, 2018 at 12:40 AM

DA

“ *THE WORLD AT YOUR HANDS, SO SAD !*



DAVID - November 09, 2018 at 12:20 AM

 Steve Edwards

“ *Devon was a great player and my son's favorite. He wore his 47 Marshall jersey to school today. He was a total gentleman and a class act. We are so sorry for your loss and pray for comfort.*



Steve Edwards - November 09, 2018 at 12:08 AM

DA

“ *a true athlete that his records speak for him !*



david - November 08, 2018 at 11:51 PM

SF

“ *That wonderful smile will be greatly missed by his Marshall family. My condolences and prayers for God's grace and love to all of his family and friends.*

Sharon Gillum Firebaugh - November 08, 2018 at 11:32 PM

CM

“ He was a special young man. I had the opportunity to be his physician and his friend. I have never had an athlete thank me during a game for helping him. The day he set the rushing record at Marshall he came to the sideline, gave me one of his hugs, and thanked me. I will never forget that moment nor will I ever forget Devon!! I will remember his smile and his positive outlook. The world was a better place with Devon in it.
Dr. G.



chuck giangarra MD - November 08, 2018 at 11:28 PM

ME

“ Mestrovics lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Mestrovics - November 08, 2018 at 10:41 PM

MF

“ Mestrovic Family lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson



Mestrovic Family - November 08, 2018 at 10:39 PM

LA

“ Heaven has gained a true angel. He will be greatly missed by many. Thank you for your loved and dedication to all. Barboursville, WV

Laura - November 08, 2018 at 10:38 PM

TF

“ *The Mestrovic Family lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



The Mestrovic Family - November 08, 2018 at 10:38 PM

AS

“ *May the God of Peace truly grant to the family and friends of Devon Johnson a comfort beyond comprehension. Thank you for having shared your son with us for a brief moment. Rest in peace, a true son of MARSHALL.*



Alan Spitz - November 08, 2018 at 10:27 PM

PA

“ *God Bless Rock heads family. Marshall Fan of Rock Head.*



Pat - November 08, 2018 at 10:09 PM

KM

“ *Keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*




Kelly Miller - November 08, 2018 at 09:48 PM

EK

“ *True Son of Marshall and will forever be missed by Herd Nation. I enjoyed watching you big man and meeting you with a big smile on your face all the time. Rest easy and God bless your family.*

Eric Kutcher - November 08, 2018 at 09:43 PM

 Yolanda Spencer

“ *Yolanda Spencer lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Yolanda Spencer - November 08, 2018 at 09:41 PM

JH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all the family! Devon was a super special person and was loved by so many, his memories will live on forever! Rest easy my friend!*

Janice Henley - November 08, 2018 at 09:30 PM

KM

“ *Kathy McVey lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Kathy McVey - November 08, 2018 at 09:30 PM

NB

“ *Nicole Barrett lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Nicole Barrett - November 08, 2018 at 09:13 PM

TS

“ *I'm a Marshall Alum and was mesmerized at our 2015 football team. So much so that I wanted to make the drive from my home in Georgia to Huntington to watch the team play and “experience” the magic of Cato & Co. I hadn't made a trip home by myself for many years but I was determined I wasn't going to miss it. It was Devon and Cato who encouraged me and I did make the trip alone and even drove the turnpike in the rain. Of course we won and when the team came around to slap high 5's Devon recognized me and told me how proud he was of me and thanked me for coming. I'll never forget it but that's the kind of Son of Marshall he was. Rest easy friend, you changed my life in that moment.*



Terri Lovely Snowden - November 08, 2018 at 08:56 PM

LR

“ DEVON WAS A GUARDIAN ANGEL IN MY DAUGHTERS LIFE,AFTER HER SON WAS SHOT AND KILLED. HE DIDN'T KNOW MY GRANDSON BUT HE ONLY KNEW OF HIM THROUGH A CLASSMATE, AND DEVON PAID FOR HIS FUNERAL. MY DAUGHTER,HAD TALKED TO DEVON TO THANK HIM OVER THE PHONE,AND HE HAD TOLD HER THAT SHE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT FUNERAL EXPENSES OR ANYTHING . THAT HE HAD BEEN BLESSED IN HIS LIFE AND HE WANTED TO DO THAT FOR JALEN . YOU WILL ALWAYS BE OUR ANGEL,AND FOREVER MISSED. MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO HIS MOTHER,FOR WE SHOULD NEVER HAVE TO BURY OUR CHILDREN.GOD BLESS THE FAMILY.

Linda Robertson - November 08, 2018 at 08:54 PM



Yolanda Spencer

“ Praying for the family. That God will give them peace and comfort them .

Yolanda Spencer - November 08, 2018 at 08:40 PM

JS

“ Thoughts and prayers for Devon's family and his host of friends. He certainly made a positive impact on many people. May God bring peace and comfort to your broken hearts.



Judy Stamper - November 08, 2018 at 08:34 PM



“ *Daniel-Jeniffer Dye-Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Daniel-Jeniffer Dye-Gilbert - November 08, 2018 at 08:34 PM



“ *He was always a good kid on the bus we never had trouble out of him he was a handsome young man god bless and be with the family Devon will be greatly missed but all of us who loved him his memory will go on forever the Kirk family*

Sherry Kirk - November 08, 2018 at 08:00 PM



“ *Devon was a bright light to all who knew him. Thank you to his precious family for sharing this wonderful young man with all of us. Love, hugs, and prayers.*



Lynne Clark - November 08, 2018 at 07:48 PM



“ *Freda Breedlove lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Freda Breedlove - November 08, 2018 at 07:40 PM

KS

Sorry for the family prayers for Jeffrey Ruthie and the whole family may God help and comfort you in the days ahead

Kathy Stacy - November 09, 2018 at 12:45 AM



Keith young and sharee Lester watched Devon play the games at richlands. Love and enjoy watching him play with his team he was a great athlete we have ever watched play the game we love him we know God and haven has welcome him with open arms Keith young and sharee Lester Total Lawn care

Sharon Lester - November 09, 2018 at 01:24 AM

SM

*“ Devon Richlands will always remember you
Thanks for the memories Prayers and love to
your family and friends*



Shell McGlothlin - November 08, 2018 at 07:32 PM



*“ Rest In Peace Devon, Such a fine young man
you were, lots of prayers and love to your
Parents , family and friends. Many of prayers
we will be lifting up to everyone ❤️😞*



Velma Conner - November 08, 2018 at 06:58 PM

PF

“ *Payne Family lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Payne Family - November 08, 2018 at 06:50 PM

SH

“ *Shirleybuskill lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



shirleybuskill - November 08, 2018 at 06:30 PM

KS

“ *Kathy Sneed lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Kathy Sneed - November 08, 2018 at 06:28 PM

BJ

“ *Beth Johnson lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Beth Johnson - November 08, 2018 at 06:12 PM

GA

“ *Gaynell Armes lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Gaynell Armes - November 08, 2018 at 06:04 PM

KL

“ *Prayers and Condolences, God Bless Everyone, Elder Kenneth M. Lane and Evangelist Rosa M. Lane, Bluefield WV.*



Kenneth M Lane - November 08, 2018 at 06:02 PM

LM

“ *Larry And Donna Maynard sent a virtual gift in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Larry and Donna Maynard - November 08, 2018 at 05:59 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for all*



Tim N Denise Greene - November 08, 2018 at 05:56 PM

AM

“ *Anita McGlothlin-Gibson lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Anita McGlothlin-Gibson - November 08, 2018 at 05:46 PM

AM

“ *Anita McGlothlin-Gibson lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Anita McGlothlin-Gibson - November 08, 2018 at 05:44 PM

AR

“ *Annie Rutter lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



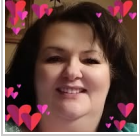
Annie rutter - November 08, 2018 at 05:34 PM

PE

“ *Patti Elswick lit a candle in memory of Devon Lamar Johnson*



Patti Elswick - November 08, 2018 at 05:27 PM



“ *Forever will be missed. Prayers for his family!
Rest in peace!* ”



Regina Keen - November 08, 2018 at 05:15 PM



“ *Karen Jackson lit a candle in memory of
Devon Lamar Johnson* ”



Karen Jackson - November 08, 2018 at 04:48 PM



“ *Sherry Casey lit a candle in memory of Devon
Lamar Johnson* ”



Sherry Casey - November 08, 2018 at 04:47 PM