



Joseph Andrew Johnson

January 22, 1970 - April 29, 2026

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Mr. Joseph Andrew Johnson, 56, passed away on April 29, 2026. A celebration of life will be held on Monday, May 11, 2026 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford (601 Commerce Pkwy., Oxford, MS 38655).

Joseph was born on January 22, 1970 in Mississippi. Throughout his life, Joseph exemplified extraordinary dedication, leadership, and integrity in every role he undertook. He devoted decades of service to improving the lives of others through healthcare administration, county government, finance, mental health services, and community involvement. Whether leading large healthcare facilities like North Mississippi Regional Center, managing wealth that people spent their entire life building with New York Life, serving as a trusted advisor and administrator for Lafayette County, or mentoring others in his community as an ambassador for the Chamber of Commerce, Joseph approached every responsibility with unmatched work ethic, fairness, wisdom, and compassion. His accomplishments reflected not only his intelligence and determination, but also his unwavering commitment to doing every job to the very fullest of his ability. Some of his many accomplishments included earning recognition as a “Top 40 Under 40” recipient by the Mississippi Business Journal and receiving the Hank Bufkin Award from the Middle Mississippi

Football Officials Association.

Apart from his impressive professional career, Joseph was one of the most talented and intelligent family men one could ever know. Though his exterior was businesslike and no nonsense, he was a soft and gentle soul, guided by a deep compassion for others. He had a true passion for serving, evident in the careers he chose and the quiet acts of kindness he offered. He carried a warm, witty sense of humor that many didn't always get to see. His greatest pride and joy were his beautiful wife, daughter, and son, and his love for SEC football and 80s music was unmatched. An Eagle Scout through and through, he lived the promise to be loyal, helpful, trustworthy, and kind to all who knew him. Joseph's legacy endures in the lives he touched, the family he cherished, and the steady goodness he practiced every day. He will be deeply missed.

Joseph is survived by his loving wife of 31 years, Shea Johnson of Oxford; his son, Ethan Johnson of Oxford; his daughter, Avery (Luke Tucker) Johnson of Oxford; his parents, Raymond Johnson and Diane Allen Johnson of Madison, MS; his sister, Alison (Patrick) Vowell of Madison; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Tommy and Miriam Cain of Mize, MS; his brother-in-law, Joel (Wendy) Cain of Mize; and one nephew, Colin Opdyke.

Donations and memorials in honor of Joseph Andrew Johnson may be made to the donor's choice of Pinelake Church (5202 Pat Patterson Pkwy., Oxford, MS 38655 or www.pinelake.org), or Campus Outreach Birmingham (www.cobirmingham.org).

The staff at Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is honored to serve the family during this challenging season of life. Condolences may be expressed online on his Tribute wall at www.colemanfuneralhomeox.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 11. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LH

“ I'm so sorry for your loss, Joseph was a wonderful boss. I enjoyed the years that we worked together at the Regional Center. Sending love and prayers, May the Good Lord wrap his loving arms around each of you and give you peace.

Lou Ann Hood - May 11 at 07:00 PM

FC

“ From your crew purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Joseph Andrew Johnson.



From your crew - May 10 at 09:48 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Andrew Johnson.



May 09 at 04:18 PM

AC

“ ASP Family Carl Diffie & Tim Cowan purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Joseph Andrew Johnson.



ASP Family Carl Diffie & Tim Cowan - May 08 at 04:03 PM

TF

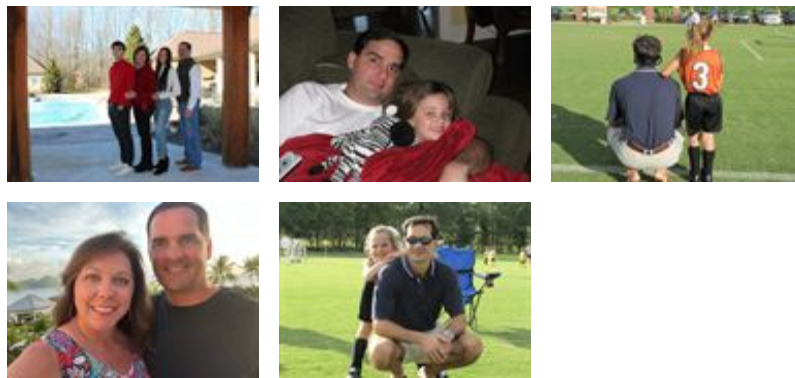
“ *The Tom & Ruth Allen family. purchased the Sacred Garden Spray for the family of Joseph Andrew Johnson.*



The Tom & Ruth Allen family. - May 08 at 03:27 PM



“ *66 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Coleman Funeral Home - May 08 at 03:25 PM

BL

“ *Bryan Lowery sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Johnson*



Bryan Lowery - May 07 at 04:59 PM

RH

“ Reed Howell purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Joseph Andrew Johnson.



Reed Howell - May 07 at 04:08 PM



“ Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Andrew Johnson.



May 07 at 03:03 PM

BH

“ My heart goes out to family Rest In Peace My Brother

Barbara Hicks - May 07 at 11:42 AM



“ Joseph was a great man who loved his family dearly. Working beside him as my boss and him doing my mom retirement, he always told my mom when she leave he's going to have to take over as being a parent because no one could handle me! That was the day that my boss became my second dad! Once leaving OHR I still followed along to The Magnolia to work by your side and everyone knew exactly who I was upon entering the building! Praying for Mama Shae, Avery, Ethan & the family



Kesha Ivy - May 07 at 07:53 AM

KT

“ Joseph was a great guy! He spoke and loved his Family, deeply! I will always remember his passion of scuba diving with his precious wife, Shea, and planning that next trip! Many prayers for Shea, Avery, & Ethan, and the rest of their Families! The community is here to pray for you and support you!!! (Kim Taylor)

Kim Taylor - May 06 at 10:39 PM

RB

“ RIP Mr. Joseph one of the best administrators I have ever worked with for. From Oxford health and rehab to the magnolias at Oxford commons you the where the only administrator that could get me to come in doing the ice storm that year thank you for being you you where a humble and passionate soul you inspire me to go back to school and get my emt and for that I thank you rip well done take your rest

RaeRae Broom - May 06 at 10:11 PM

VI

“ Joseph was a good friend of mine and he was also my boss for a few years. My deepest sympathy to his sweet family. Will certainly keep his family in my prayers.

VirginiaParker - May 06 at 09:00 PM


OI

“ Ora Ivy lit a candle in memory of Joseph Johnson



Ora Ivy - May 06 at 08:55 PM

OI

“ I remember when I was named employee of the month and had a reserved parking space for a whole month that was just for me only. One day Joseph was looking out at the parking lot and asked me if that was my car parked in the reserved spot. I said, "No, that's not mine." He asked if I knew who it belonged to (I did know ) and I told him that I didn't. He wanted to get on the intercom and announce that whoever was parked in the employee of the month spot to come move their vehicle. I said, "It's ok, Joseph, they can be employee of the day." He said that was ok with him if that's what I wanted. Joseph was such a kind-hearted and soft spoken person. I never heard him raise his voice to anyone from the time he became administrator up until the time I retired. He will be greatly missed. Shea, my condolences and prayers to you and your family. May God strengthens you all during your time of bereavement.

Ora Ivy - May 06 at 08:42 PM

MS

“ I had the great pleasure to work for Joseph. He was a great boss and cared about his staff. I enjoyed meeting his wife and loved the great memories we had at the OHR Christmas Parties in their home. Fun memories. He will be missed!

Marsha Sneed - May 06 at 07:36 PM

PT

“ Patricia Tyson lit a candle in memory of Joseph Johnson



Patricia Tyson - May 06 at 07:24 PM

DP

“ *Thought a lot of Joseph. Sending my prayers to the family* ”



Donna Pickens - May 06 at 06:34 PM