



Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson

December 15, 1999 - November 13, 2019

****NOTE: Visitation and Funeral Service Times and Location Are Listed Below****

Alexander Robert Johnson lovingly known to all as "Alex", was born on Wednesday, December 15, 1999 at Borgess Medical Center in Kalamazoo, Michigan to Robert Lee Johnson and Angela Marschke.

He attended North Glade Montessori School from Kindergarten through third grade; Prairie Ridge Elementary School for his fourth and fifth grade years; Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts for his middle school years and Loy Norrix High School until he graduated in June of 2018. In the fall of 2018, he began attending Western Michigan University.

Alex played football and basketball throughout his school years, but his passion was basketball. His favorite basketball player was Blake Griffin. He was also a Michigan State/Spartans fan. In addition to school basketball, he played AAU basketball for five years. He was also gifted at playing the piano and was trained by renowned music instructor, Ms. Billie Netterwald.

Alex had an infectious smile, a loving spirit with a style of his own, which included sporting the "Odell Beckham Jr." hair style.

Alex was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church and was baptized by Pastor

Dr. Addis Moore. He served as a Junior Usher. He was one of the favorites amongst all the lower level Sunday School teachers.

You could always find him at home when his father cooked his favorite foods which included homemade meatloaf and lasagna.

His favorite scripture was taken from Isaiah 54:17 “No weapon that is formed against me shall prosper...”

Alex departed this life on Wednesday, November 13, 2019. He was preceded by his grandmother, Margaret Johnson.

Alex leaves to cherish his memory, his loving father, Robert Lee Johnson, stepmother, Barbara Johnson; mother Angela Marschke; grandmothers: Helen Marschke and Barbara Porter; grandfathers: Charles Marschke and Joseph Johnson; sister, Paris; stepsisters: Bridgette Gordon and Gay Golden; brother, Dominic; and a host of aunts uncles, cousins and a multitude of friends.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Ever-Rest Cemetery (North)

1717 Drake Road
Kalamazoo, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **21**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Visitation

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
120 Roberson Street
kalamazoo, MI 49007-3557

A Service in Loving Memory

NOV **22**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson



Harper Funeral Home - November 20, 2019 at 09:35 PM

GS

Sorry for the loss of such a young man full of life and a future.

Gersteen Sherrod - November 21, 2019 at 01:46 PM

SJ

My very deepest condolences for this sweet family, such a sad loss for a young fellow with a bright future, Lord embrace this family with love and peace like never before in Jesus name I pray

Sher Johnson - November 22, 2019 at 07:32 AM

GC

Dear Johnson family and your loved ones and friends, thinking of you and praying for you all. So sorry for the loss of Alex. May God's love strengthen you now and forever.

Warmest regards,

Gretta Clay

Gretta Clay - November 22, 2019 at 10:26 AM

PP

He was a lovely person, so loving, I could always just hug him and he would give a great hug back. Just loved him.

Patricia Pulphus - November 22, 2019 at 05:23 PM

AB

I really loved his smile. I am really going to miss him. My condolences to you and your family

Angela Bliss - November 23, 2019 at 11:40 AM



“ *Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *RIP Alex we miss you dearly. Thoughts and prayers to your family.*



Shaneka Brown - December 03, 2019 at 12:44 PM

MV

“ *Maria Varnesdeel lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Maria Varnesdeel - November 26, 2019 at 12:07 PM

SH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Alexander's family and friends during this difficult time! May he RIP.*

Sheryl Foster-Todd from WMU

Sheryl - November 25, 2019 at 04:15 PM

TB

“ *Tracy Blakes lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Tracy Blakes - November 25, 2019 at 12:11 AM

Jon
Wilson

“ *Jon Wilson lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Jon Wilson - November 23, 2019 at 02:21 PM

SW

“ *Selena Walker lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Selena Walker - November 22, 2019 at 10:40 AM

LR

“ *Bob and Barbara....our hearts are breaking for you both. News of Alex's passing brought a flood of memories of the loss of our own son. Please know that we have had you all in prayers this past week...and will continue our prayers as you walk through this difficult grief journey. Godspeed Alex...rest in peace. - Lowell & Kathy Rinker*

Lowell & Kathy Rinker - November 22, 2019 at 10:35 AM

LR

“ Lowell & Kathy Rinker purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson.



Lowell & Kathy Rinker - November 21, 2019 at 02:10 PM

RD

“ Mr. Johnson and Ms. Barb, My heart goes out to you. I am so sorry. I know I hadn't seen Alex in a while but you both know he has always had a special place in my heart. Being his 1st, 2nd, 3rd grade teacher, was a joy and left all of us with so many wonderful and funny memories. I will continue to pray that the Lord gives you the strength that you need to make it. Even though we are hurting from the loss, God knows best. Not our will but His will be done. Be strong in the Lord.



*ReQwal Duckworth, Principal
Northglade Montessori Magnet School*

ReQwal Duckworth - November 21, 2019 at 01:37 PM

GG

“ Gwen Gordon lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson



Gwen Gordon - November 21, 2019 at 09:37 AM

AO

“ *Angie O'Bryant lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Angie O'Bryant - November 21, 2019 at 08:09 AM

EF

“ *Earline Fields sent a virtual gift in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Earline Fields - November 21, 2019 at 06:21 AM

BP

“ *Barbara Porter lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Barbara porter - November 20, 2019 at 11:34 PM

CM

“ *Chris, Lydia, Cathy and Gordon Marschke are sending their love and prayers for peace and love to Robert and Barbara Johnson, Angela Marschke, as well as all of the family and friends of Alex. We will forever miss his smiling face and abundant energy. Heaven is a better place now that Alex is in it. May he shine down on us all.*



Catherine Marschke - November 20, 2019 at 11:08 PM

CM

“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Catherine Marschke - November 20, 2019 at 11:05 PM

PT

“ *Paulette Timmerman lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Paulette Timmerman - November 20, 2019 at 10:23 PM

BD

“ *Brian Daniels / Maya Daniels purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson.*



Brian Daniels / Maya Daniels - November 20, 2019 at 04:01 PM

BD

“ *Robert & Barbara: Please accept my prayers during this time of reflection . May the Lord bless you with strength and support to reconcile your sorrow.*

Brian Daniels

Brian Daniels - November 20, 2019 at 03:52 PM

BD

“ *Brian Daniels lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Brian Daniels - November 20, 2019 at 03:39 PM

LO

“ *I had the privilege of coaching Alex in basketball during his middle school years and A.A.U. His love and passion for the game was second to none.*

Alex was very athletic, very talented. His energy and hard work attitude during games or practice was forever present. There was no rebound too high for him to get, no pass too hard for him to make or catch, no shot too difficult.

Some of my fondest memories as a coach were the games I coach when Alex was playing.

My deepest sympathy and prayers to the family.

Alex R.I.P.

Coach Ollie K-Zoo Legends Basketball

Larry Ollie - November 20, 2019 at 02:48 PM

GK

“ Praying for the family, friends & loved ones of this young man. May our LORD JESUS supply HIS peace, HIS strength and HIS hope within your hearts, minds & spirit. May you all find rest in the LORD and know that you have many people who are lifting you up before our FATHER.

Gretchen Kershaw with Grace Mercy Luv Ministries

Gretchen Kershaw - November 20, 2019 at 12:36 PM

WT

“ WMU Office of Information Technology purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson.



WMU Office of Information Technology - November 20, 2019 at 09:47 AM

PG

“ Pauline Gardner sent a virtual gift in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson



Pauline Gardner - November 20, 2019 at 09:43 AM

CB

“ I can see that smile a mile away .praying for your family.

Claudia Barbee - November 20, 2019 at 09:34 AM

JB

“ *Jeanette Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*




Jeanette Buchanan - November 20, 2019 at 09:10 AM

GT

“ *Gale And Angela Tabron lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Gale and Angela Tabron - November 20, 2019 at 09:08 AM

 Lovely Serena

“ *Rest in Heaven chocolate drop*



Lovely Serena - November 20, 2019 at 08:08 AM

BM

“ *Please except my deepest sympathy for the loss of your son Alex I'm praying for comfort For yourselves and entire family*

Barbara McGee - November 20, 2019 at 07:20 AM

BM

“ *Barbara McGee lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Barbara McGee - November 20, 2019 at 07:18 AM

CF

“ *Sending love and prayers and prayers of comfort to the parents and the rest of Alex's family. I wish I could be there, but I'm grateful that Ca'Jon will be there to represent our family.* 🙏



CaSaundra CC Flagg - November 20, 2019 at 01:56 AM

LC

“ *Lillie Cotton lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson*



Lillie Cotton - November 19, 2019 at 10:29 PM

PG

“ *BJ and Barbara: Please accept my deepest sympathy. May peace and love surround you, and may your faith comfort and sustain you and your family.*

Polly Graham

Polly Graham - November 19, 2019 at 04:55 PM

ES

“ Robert and Barb, Jodie and I are so sad about your son Alexander! If we can do anything please let us know! He now walks the golden streets with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! He now looks down on you both! Please know our prayers and love are with you both and that God has you in the palm of His hand! Ed and Jodie.

Ed Pastrick and Jodie Schrepper - November 19, 2019 at 04:29 PM

HB

“ Helen Brooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson



Helen Brooks - November 19, 2019 at 03:19 PM

JE

“ Jo Ann Embrey lit a candle in memory of Alexander ("Alex") Robert Johnson



Jo Ann Embrey - November 19, 2019 at 06:34 AM