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Phillip Dale Johnston, 80, of Seymour, Iowa, passed away at his home on July 24, 2025.

Phil was born at his home near Sewal, Iowa, to Perle and Opal Johnston on December 23, 1944. He went to school at Seymour Community School, class of 1963, where he met and later married his high school sweetheart, Linda Tuttle, on April 22, 1966.

To this marriage, they added four children: Rhonda, Brian, Lori, and Brent. After high school, Phil attended barber school. He was just getting started when he married Linda. On their wedding day, Phil received his draft papers for the Army. He spent two years in the Army stationed in Germany.

Upon his return, Phil eventually opened a shop in Seymour where he cut hair until his retirement in 2004. To supplement the family income, Phil was also known to dabble in horses, cattle, and cars. If asked, Phil would tell you everything is for sale.

A gambler at heart, Phil never passed a casino without stopping to try his luck. Phil's pride and joy were his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He attended hundreds of ballgames and could always be heard heckling the referees from the stands.

Phil would brag on the grandkids or great-grandkids anytime he found someone to listen to his stories. Phil loved the challenge of fixing anything. It might not always be the proper way and parts might be leftover when finished, but he rarely took on anything he couldn't fix.

Several times when someone in the family couldn't figure out a problem, you would hear "call Grandpa" or "take it to Grandpa". Phil is survived by his wife, Linda (Tuttle); his children, Rhonda (Reed) Wouters, Lori (Jon) Jewett, Brent (Melanie) Johnston; his grandchildren, Colton Wouters, Lauren (Dalton) Freeze, Justin (Jayden Miller) Jewett, Riley (Hunter) Robertson, Megan (Ethan)



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Wait, Allison (Blaine) DeVold, Gracelyn Johnston, Sydney (Karlie) Snyder, Jack Snyder, Maggie Davis; great-grandchildren, Cash Robertson and Maylee Wait.

Phil is also survived by his siblings, Janet (Harry) Lucas and Kenny (Sheila) Johnston; his in-laws, Richard (Karen) Tuttle, Marvin (Barb) Tuttle, Elaina Tuttle; and numerous nieces and nephews. Phil is preceded in death by his parents, Perle and Opal Johnston; his in-laws, Maurice and Mary Tuttle; his son, Brian Johnston; his brother-in-law, Dennis Tuttle; and niece, Melinda (Lucas) McElvain.

Visitation will be held Monday, July 28, 2025 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Thomas Funeral Home in Corydon, Iowa. Funeral services will be Tuesday, July 29, 2025 at 10:00 AM at Thomas Funeral Home in Corydon, Iowa.

Contributions in Phil's memory can be made to the Seymour First Responders in lieu of flowers and mailed to Thomas Funeral Home Attn: Johnston Family 303 E. Jefferson Corydon, IA 50060. Condolences may be shared on our website at www.thomasfh.com or facebook.com/thomasfuneralhome.



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KH

Kathy Banks Hunt posted:

Oh Linda, I am so so sorry. My dad loved going to the barber shop!! They had some great times there. Take care.

July 27 at 7:00 PM

LM

Linda Moore lit a candle in honor of Phillip.

When i think of Phil, I think of ball games Many many ball games over the years. Phil was never afraid to yell about a call , or criticize an official! RIP Phil.

July 26 at 7:00 PM



TW

Trish Walker lit a candle in honor of Phillip.

July 25 at 7:00 PM



KJ

Karla (Banks) James posted:

Phil was a great man. My dad, John Banks, enjoyed so much playing cards at the barber shop. Us kids heard some pretty good stories from him about being up there. Seymour has lost a lot of good men in the past few years. They will not be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time.

July 25 at 7:00 PM

CH

Carolyn Hoxton posted:

I am so sorry to hear this sad news. Phil was always smiling, and very pleasant to be around, everyone liked him. Linda, and all of the family, my thoughts and prayers are with you all. One memory I have of Phil, is how excited he was when he and his grandson, Justin were fixing up Brian's car, and it was really special to them. Thinking of you all at this time. Warm Regards, Carolyn Hoxton

July 25 at 7:00 PM



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AJ

Allen Johnson posted:

Sorry to hear of Phillips passing you have our condolences. Allen&Rita Johnson

July 25 at 7:00 PM

CM

Craig Bonnie And Echo Mcurry posted:

We are so sorry to hear of Phil's passing

July 25 at 7:00 PM

TW

Trish Walker posted:

So sad to read this. Phil did my sons first haircut, but I had to wait til he was done with his hand. He was always great and would give the kids pocket change after each haircut. So will be missed.

July 25 at 7:00 PM

JB

Joan Bailey posted:

So sorry for your loss Phil always had a funny story to tell sending hugs to Linda and all the family love you Linda thinking of you Joan Bailey

July 25 at 7:00 PM

AJ

A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Phillip Johnston posted:

We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Corydon

July 25 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Phillip by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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