

Dr. Frederick Carl Johnson

1947-2017

Fred Johnson, age 69, of Salem, passed away Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017, surrounded by his loving family. He was born March 20, 1947, in Ashtabula, Ohio, to Alvin and Betty (Mosier) Johnson. He was a 1965 graduate of Jefferson Area High School, attended Hiram College, and received a Bachelor Degree in education from Kent State University, received a Master's in Administration Supervision, attended The University of Akron, and received his Superintendent's Certificate and Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Youngstown State University. Fred inspired students in English Literature at United, Minerva, Tusla and Hudson High Schools where he also coached Track and Football, was the Superintendent at Southern Local, and Newton Falls School Districts, was an Administrator at Selinsgrove Area School District in PA and finally the CEO of the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit in Edinboro, PA. He was also the founder and developer of Johnson Family Farms and a member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Kathleen (Whiteleather) Johnson; sons, Wesley (Nikki Howell) and Travis; grandchildren, Scarlet Marjorie and Savanna Nicole; brother, Thomas (Karen) Johnson; niece, Janis (Pat) Tenan; nephew, Thomas Johnson, Jr., and Marjorie Whiteleather; brothers-in-law, Glenn, Lawrence; sisters-in-law, Shirley (Russ) Fox, Ruth (Larry) Orrell, Esther Whiteleather, Betty (Tom Hagan) Whiteleather, Margie (Larry) Wilson, and Nancy (David) McCauley; nieces, nephews, and many other relatives. He is preceded in death by his father, Alvin Johnson, Aunt Elizabeth Meahl, and father-in-law Ludwig Whiteleather.

Calling hours will be held Friday, Feb. 10, from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Gotschall-Hutchison Funeral Home in Minerva. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Minerva with Rev. Joe Ertl officiating and one hour of visitation prior to the funeral. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to United Local High School Football Program, 8149 State Route 9, Hanoverton, Ohio, 44423, or Minerva Local High School Football Program, 501 Almeda Ave., Minerva, Ohio, 44657, or St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church Sunshine Fund. Condolences may be left on Fred's online guest book at: www.gotschallfuneralhome.com -