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## Robert Lee Johnson Sr.

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**Robert Lee Johnson Sr.**, son of the late Adrian and Theresa Proffer Stevens Johnson was born on February 26, 1929 in Galveston, Texas. He lost his battle with cancer on April 20, 2013 at the age of 84 years.

He was united in marriage to Vivian Perry Putnam on May 5, 2006. Mrs. Johnson survives of their residence.

On February 25, 1950 he was united in marriage to Patricia Louise Owens, she preceded him in death on August 26, 2005 after 55 years of marriage.

Bob currently served on the Bernie Housing Board, had served as a Bernie Alderman, and taught auto body class at Bernie High School in 1969. He was a self-employed business-man, and served as Bernie Fire Chief from 1972-1979. He was a member of the Bernie CB Club and was known as Blue Streak. He was a member of the Corner Gospel Fellowship Church and was a Veteran of the United States Navy.

Besides his wife he is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Robert Lee Johnson Jr. and wife Regina of Bernie; by two daughters and sons-in-law, Rebecca Joann Edmonds and husband Allen of Bernie and Brenda J. Buchanan and husband Rick of Dexter; by two sisters, Ruth Hill of Springfield, Missouri and Delores Wetzel of St. Charles, Missouri; by two step-sons, Gary Putnam and Larry Putnam of Dexter; by seven grandchildren and eight grandchildren and by numerous other family and friends.

He was also preceded in death by three brothers, Ethridge Stevens, Sterling Woodrow Johnson and William Eugene Johnson.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 from 10:00 A.M. until Noon. Funeral services will then be conducted on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at NOON in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Don Wells officiating. Interment will follow in the Bernie cemetery with full military honors.

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