

# CHARLES LEROY JOHNSON

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**1935-2008**

LAKE PALESTINE: Charles Leroy Johnson died Tuesday, March 25, 2008.

Charles was born to the late Fred V. & Osca Ruth Johnson August 15, 1935 in El Dorado, Kansas. Charles spent over 35 years in Law Enforcement. He was the 1st Fire Chief of Elderville Volunteer Department, Fire Marshal, Interim City Manager, and Captain of the Police Dept in Kilgore. Chief of Police Bridgeport, Municipal Judge of Runaway Bay outside of Bridgeport, also he was an Ombudsman for many years, in North Texas area.

He belonged to Boyd Masonic Lodge, and was a 32nd degree Mason, was past president of AARP in Bridgeport, TX. Charles was a member of Lake Palestine United Methodist Church, Chandler, Texas.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Wanda Sue Kennedy Johnson, son Rick & wife Dana Johnson of Tyler, two daughters, Debra & husband Kip Cates of New Harmony, Mary Veal of Tyler, one sister-in-law Charlotte & husband Michael Nelson,



White Oak, three grandsons, two granddaughters, and four great-grandchildren, two nieces, numerous uncles and aunts, along with a host of friends.

Memorial services are scheduled for 2:00 p.m., Saturday, April 5, 2008 at Lake Palestine United Methodist Church in Chandler. Rev. Richard Prather and Johnny Irish officiating.

In Lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Lake Palestine United Methodist Church, 2889 FM 315 South, Chandler, Texas 75758 or Legacy Hospice, 120 East Southtown, Tyler, Texas 75703 or a charity of your choice.

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