



Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson

August 26, 1930 - January 24, 2019

JOHNSON, Mrs. Lela Mary - Age 88, passed away Thursday, January 24, 2019 at her residence. Family hour 11:00 AM Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, 1083 E. Stewart Ave., with funeral service commencing at 12:00 PM. Rev. Michael Gibson, officiating. Interment River Rest Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11:00 AM Saturday. Mrs. Johnson will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Friday, with family present from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

Lela May Johnson, affectionately called Mary, was born August 26, 1930 in Macon, Mississippi, the daughter of Reverend Curtis and Mattie (Abram) Higgins.

Mary later moved to Flint, Michigan where she attended Emerson Junior High School and graduated from Flint Northern High School in 1951. While in Flint, she met the love of her life, Roscoe Johnson, who she married on June 24, 1951. From their union, four children were born; Kenneth, Linda, Sheila and Tara.

Mary was an active member and took every opportunity to win souls for Christ. She was a faithful servant of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church where

she participated in the Young District Matrons, Choir #2 and Usher Board. Mary was also a Deaconess, Sunday School Teacher and Supervisor of the Youth Usher Board and Youth Choir.

Mary was blessed with many gifts. She was a Wedding Coordinator, a self-made Beautician and sold Avon for over 30 years as a District Sales Manager.

Mary loved her children, BUT was CRAZY about her grandkids and great-grandkids. She also enjoyed cooking (as well as eating) and helping others. Mary could often be found visiting with and singing to the residents of the convalescent home where her sister was a resident. She delighted in attending church services and being an active participant in praising the Lord.

Mary leaves to cherish her memory: children, Kenneth (Verlecia) Johnson of Lansing, Sheila Johnson-Toins and Tara (Michael) Johnson-Claxton of Flint; grandchildren, Lamar (Sharene) Johnson, Natalia Johnson, Kris (Heather) Johnson, Jasmine Davis, Jalen Toins, Sydney Claxton and Mylas Toins; great-grandchildren, Dontae Phifer, Tyler Johnson, Xavier Johnson, Jayla Johnson, Savanna Collins and Audrey Tramble; sister, Rosa Higgins; three in-laws, Raymond (Ethel-Mae) Johnson, Chris Ridgell and Joyce Higgins; god-daughter, Chastity O'Connell; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and special friends.

Mary was preceded in death by her loving husband of 37 years, Roscoe Johnson; daughter, Linda Johnson-Davis; grandson, Mays Toins; parents, Mattie (James) Higgins-Lewis and Reverend Curtis (Beatrice) Higgins; siblings, Pashan (Robert) Bell, Jimmie Higgins, Annie (Willie) Robinson; nieces, Delphine Roberts and Larice Mosby; nephew, Ronnie Robinson; a host of brothers and sisters-in-law; and dear friends, Inez DeBruce, Sylvia Young and Rosemary Chaney.

Cemetery Details

River Rest Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 1. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-MOON (6666)
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *To Tara and the Johnson Family I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your mom. May God continue to bless you and your family and comfort you during this time.*

~Chimene (Baxter) Hill~

Chimene Hill - February 23, 2019 at 09:04 AM



“ *Kenneth, Sheila and Tara , I am sorry to hear of your loss. Mothers are precious and Mrs. Johnson was a prominent figure in my life. Growing up at Antioch my youngest memories include her. She was beautiful and was always encouraging young people to be the best they could be. Your sister Linda and I were friends also. May you be comforted by knowing that she is with the Lord. May God Bless and Comfort you all during this time. Sylvia Callaway Swinton*

Sylvia Callawy Swinton - February 16, 2019 at 02:43 PM



SW

“ Sharon Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Sharon Williams - February 04, 2019 at 12:34 PM

FW

“ To the Johnson Family, Praying God’s comfort and strength, on the loss of a beautiful woman of God.



Faye, Raye and Kaye Williams - February 03, 2019 at 09:19 PM

AP

“ To the Johnson Family

I send you my sincere condolences for the lost of your mother and relative. I remember Mrs. Johnson from early childhood, and to talk with her was always a good experience. she was always kind and considerate and a joy to hear.

best wishes Aaron Pringle and Family

Aaron Pringle - February 03, 2019 at 11:45 AM



“ *Jacqueline Bridges lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Jacqueline Bridges - February 02, 2019 at 09:00 PM



“ *Jerri Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Jerri Thomas - February 02, 2019 at 02:10 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to the Johnson family. May the beautiful memories of your loved one provide comfort and strength to you and your family. May you also find comfort by drawing close to God during this difficult time. James 4:8*

Linda - February 02, 2019 at 10:39 AM



“ *Kenneth & Patricia Marks family would like to express our heart felt condolences in the loss of mother Johnson she will always be remembered for her loving spirt and words of wisdom in our lives. My God Bless the family and we will keep you in our prayers*



Kenneth Marks - February 02, 2019 at 06:49 AM

DS

“ Deidre Spight-Woodson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Deidre Spight-Woodson - February 01, 2019 at 10:30 PM

LP

“ LaJuan Pringle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



LaJuan Pringle - February 01, 2019 at 10:09 PM

EP

“ RIH



Evelyn Patrick - February 01, 2019 at 08:41 PM

DM

“ David & Versie Munerlyn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



David & Versie Munerlyn - February 01, 2019 at 06:32 PM

WH

“ To the Johnson family the Marshall and Hall families would like to extend our deepest condolences in the loss of your mother Mrs. Johnson. She was a beautiful lady who was loved by so many.

Wyntis Hall - February 01, 2019 at 01:53 PM

DB

“ To the family, Mary was a sweet lady and she will be missed. Stay strong and know that she is now in a better place. Remember one day we all will go through this journey so live a life that is pleasing to our Heavenly Father. We are praying for you all during this sad time. Love cousin Dwayne and Julie Bell

Dwayne Bell - February 01, 2019 at 10:30 AM

LH

I never had the privilege of meeting Miss Mary, but I worked with her daughter Tara. Tara is the sweetest person I've had the pleasure of meeting so she shows me the type of woman Miss Mary must have been, to raise such a wonderful person. Praying for the family and my dear friend for the loss of her mother. 🙏

Lorri Henderson - February 01, 2019 at 01:42 PM

TJ



tara johnson - April 07, 2019 at 12:32 PM

DB

“ Dwayne Bell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Dwayne Bell - February 01, 2019 at 10:26 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson.



February 01, 2019 at 02:54 AM



“ Love Sherece purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson.



Love Sherece - January 31, 2019 at 05:28 PM



“ Be Bless Johnson Family Hartfield Family



cheryl Hartfield - January 31, 2019 at 04:57 PM



“ Dennis & Shirley Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Dennis & Shirley Jackson - January 31, 2019 at 04:53 PM

MM

“ *Marva Mcdaniel lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



marva mcdaniel - January 31, 2019 at 01:13 PM

CC

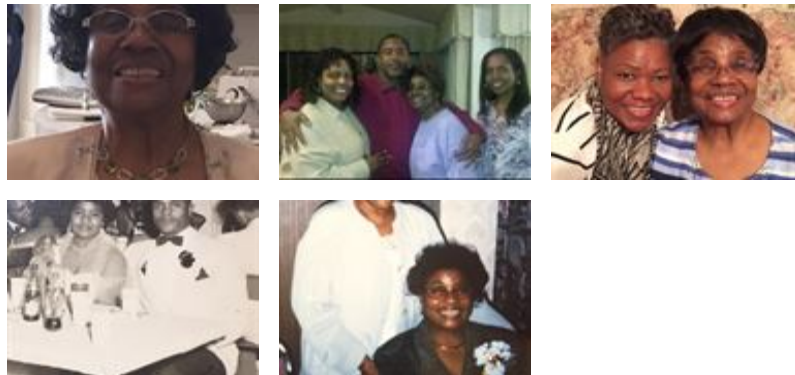
“ *Claudia Croom lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Claudia Croom - January 31, 2019 at 12:39 PM



“ *79 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - January 31, 2019 at 10:03 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson.*



January 30, 2019 at 06:23 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to the Johnson family at the loss of your beloved. May God grant you peace in your times of need.*



Rose Pittman

Rose Pittman - January 30, 2019 at 06:14 PM



“ *Helen Donald lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Helen Donald - January 30, 2019 at 02:28 PM



“ *Helen Donald And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Helen Donald and Family - January 30, 2019 at 02:27 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson.*



January 30, 2019 at 11:04 AM



“ *Colandra Dumas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Colandra Dumas - January 30, 2019 at 10:35 AM



“ *Please accept our condolences, we sympathize with the family, may you have peace.*

jacklyn - January 30, 2019 at 09:28 AM



“ *Sandra Rawls lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Sandra Rawls - January 29, 2019 at 05:19 PM

JF

“ Jeanette And Larry Wiley And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Jeanette and Larry Wiley and Family - January 29, 2019 at 04:34 PM

DW

“ Dawn Wideman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Dawn Wideman - January 29, 2019 at 02:28 PM

WF

“ So sorry for your loss, you are all in our thoughts and prayers. She was such a sweet lady.
Love, Wanda and Catalino Figueroa

wanda figueroa - January 29, 2019 at 01:23 PM

ZA

“ Zach Adams purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson.



Zach Adams - January 29, 2019 at 12:59 PM



“ Patricia Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Patricia Brown - January 29, 2019 at 10:28 AM

MJ

“ Please continue to keep my family in your prayers RIH Auntie Mary (cousin)



melissa merchant jernigan - January 29, 2019 at 06:46 AM

MP

“ Michele Parker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Michele Parker - January 29, 2019 at 06:34 AM

PW

“ Pam Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Pam Williams - January 28, 2019 at 10:49 PM

CM

“ CAROLYN MAYO lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



CAROLYN MAYO - January 28, 2019 at 08:02 PM

ED

“ Elaine Dorsey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Elaine Dorsey - January 28, 2019 at 06:15 PM

EF

“ Elaine Dorsey And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Elaine Dorsey and family - January 28, 2019 at 06:15 PM

EN

“ Elaine Dorsey Niece sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Elaine Dorsey niece - January 28, 2019 at 06:14 PM

JB

“ Jeanette Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Jeanette Brown - January 28, 2019 at 05:46 PM

MS

“ To Kenneth, Sheila, Tara and the rest of the family.
Our sincere sympathy to all of you. So sorry to hear of Mary's passing. Her warm smile will be missed. God Bless.



*Benny & Mae Vern Spence
April M. Harris
Katina Woods & Monty Jr.*

Marietta Ga.

Mae Vern Spence - January 28, 2019 at 05:23 PM



“ Mildred Green-Larkin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Mildred Green-Larkin - January 28, 2019 at 04:34 PM

CH

“ *Cecelia Hussey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Cecelia Hussey - January 28, 2019 at 04:33 PM

TT

“ *Tonedia Threlkeld lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Tonedia Threlkeld - January 28, 2019 at 04:22 PM

MH

“ *Michele Hawkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Michele Hawkins - January 28, 2019 at 02:10 PM

KB

“ *Kathy Block lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Kathy Block - January 28, 2019 at 11:52 AM

NB

“ Please accept our prays and condolence , remember you are not alone look to God for strength .

narvella brown - January 28, 2019 at 11:31 AM

WH

“ Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Wanda Harrison - January 28, 2019 at 10:44 AM

TJ

“ Theresa Jennings-Watson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Theresa Jennings-Watson - January 28, 2019 at 10:42 AM

JM

“ I pray for strength, peace and comfort for the entire family, friends and all who knew a beautiful spiritual warrior. I loved and respected Mother Johnson as if she was my Mother as well. Thank you God for loaning Mother Johnson to us all. She is an Angel now and her spirit and love will always be in all of our hearts. RIH Mother Johnson 🙏🙏🙏💕💕

Jerry Austin Miller - January 28, 2019 at 08:22 AM

FR

“ *Freda Ratliff-Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Freda Ratliff-Williams - January 27, 2019 at 12:39 PM

CP

“ *Claudette Pittman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Claudette Pittman - January 27, 2019 at 12:02 PM

DW

“ *Debra Woodson Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Debra Woodson Williams - January 27, 2019 at 03:36 AM

BH

“ *Sheila, my condolences to your family .*



Brenda Harper - January 26, 2019 at 11:58 PM

DB

“ DeNise Blake lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



DeNise Blake - January 26, 2019 at 11:32 PM

BW

“ Bernadette Woods lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Bernadette woods - January 26, 2019 at 11:00 PM

BW

“ Bernadette Woods sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Bernadette woods - January 26, 2019 at 11:00 PM

TC

“ Trina (Durrett) Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Trina (Durrett) Campbell - January 26, 2019 at 10:53 PM

RT

“ Rose Thomas-Murchison sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Rose Thomas-Murchison - January 26, 2019 at 08:40 PM

RF

“ Rene Fletcher lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Rene Fletcher - January 26, 2019 at 05:14 PM

BC

“ Betty J Coulter sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Betty J Coulter - January 26, 2019 at 05:14 PM

JE

“ Joy Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Joy Edwards - January 26, 2019 at 04:15 PM

LG

“ *Lyria Grant-Petry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Lyria Grant-Petry - January 26, 2019 at 02:49 PM

CH

“ *Charleen Hawkins-Parker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Charleen Hawkins-Parker - January 26, 2019 at 01:28 PM

BW

“ *Bernadette Woods lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Bernadette woods - January 26, 2019 at 12:06 PM

DP

“ *Denise Palmer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Denise Palmer - January 26, 2019 at 11:03 AM

HF

“ Praying God's strength for the entire Johnson family during this time.

Hudson Family(Chicago) - January 26, 2019 at 10:52 AM

AC

“ Aileen Credit-Louis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Aileen Credit-Louis - January 26, 2019 at 09:54 AM



“ WHEN I CAME ON THIS SITE EARLIER AND SAW MY COUSIN'S NAME.I HAD TO SHUT THIS SITE DOWN. MARY HAD BEEN ON MY MIND AFTER I DROVE PAST WHERE I PICKED UP MY AVON. TO MY COUSINS; KENNETH, SHELIA, AND TARA MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY ARE WITH YOU. AND THE GRANDCHILDREN. I LOVE YOU!!!!!!!!!!

RE-NAYE SANDERS - January 26, 2019 at 04:35 AM



“ RE-NAYE SANDERS lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



RE-NAYE SANDERS - January 26, 2019 at 04:13 AM

CR

“ *Carl & Verma Rosborough sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



carl & Verma Rosborough - January 25, 2019 at 10:40 PM

JD

“ *Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Jean Durrett - January 25, 2019 at 09:15 PM

VJ

“ *My deepest sympathy to Kenneth, Shelia, Tara & Jasmine .*



Vivian Johnson-McMillian - January 25, 2019 at 09:07 PM

IH

“ *Iris J. Hare lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Iris J. Hare - January 25, 2019 at 09:07 PM



“ Sheri Kirkland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Sheri Kirkland - January 25, 2019 at 05:12 PM

KF

“ Kilgore Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Kilgore family - January 25, 2019 at 04:52 PM

TF

“ Tara, Sheila & Kenny. My sincere deepest sympathy goes out to all of you. May God give you the strength, physically and emotionally to endure such pain. You are definitely in my prayers.
Candy Claxton-Frelix



Teresa Frelix - January 25, 2019 at 03:48 PM

RS

“ Reggie & La'Onda Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Reggie & La'Onda Sanders - January 25, 2019 at 03:21 PM



“ *Wanda Baker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Wanda Baker - January 25, 2019 at 11:05 AM

LW

“ *Leola Wynne lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



leola wynne - January 25, 2019 at 10:48 AM

SM

“ *Sharon Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson*



Sharon Mixon - January 25, 2019 at 10:39 AM

TO

“ *Kenny, Sheila, and Tara, We will remember her smiling face and giving nature. She will always be remembered for her pure heart. Please stay strong and we will pray for her.*



Marshall & Bev

Tolbert - January 25, 2019 at 10:19 AM

TO

“ Tolbert lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Tolbert - January 25, 2019 at 10:15 AM

BH

“ Betty Hobson-Rosborough lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lela Mary Johnson



Betty Hobson-Rosborough - January 25, 2019 at 08:59 AM