



Beverley Dolseta Johnson

October 31, 1944 - November 12, 2024

Beverley Dolseta Johnson of Conyers, Georgia, passed away in her 80th year on November 12, 2024. Ms. Johnson was the eldest of eight siblings born to the late Esmie and Alvin Johnson. Even at an early age, Ms. Johnson demonstrated exceptional academic ability. She attended Trench Town Government and Seaview All-Age schools on the Caribbean Island of Jamaica, where she passed the Third Year Jamaica Local Examination in 1960, earning 2nd place in her class. Ms. Johnson graduated from Windsor High School in 1964, where she earned her General Certificate of Education (GCE).

Ms. Johnson began her professional career at the Post and Telegraph Department (Jamaica Post), where she worked for seven years before being promoted to Clerical Officer II in 1970. Two years later, the Jamaican Ministry of Education approved and funded Ms. Johnson to further her studies in Laboratory Techniques in New York City. As an immigrant, Ms. Johnson's tenacity and fortitude were evident in the various jobs she worked to ensure her survival in a new country.

In the early 1980s, Ms. Johnson transitioned into the insurance sector, becoming a licensed insurance agent, where she quickly established herself as an outstanding professional. Over the course of her career, she received several Lady of Forester accolades for her work.

In 1990, Ms. Johnson relocated to Georgia, where she continued her successful career in insurance. Her business acumen was evident when, upon retiring in the early 2000s, she founded A&B Trucking in a male-dominated industry. Ms. Johnson did not allow this to deter her and single-handedly managed the company's operations. In addition to her business endeavors, Ms. Johnson was an active member of an investment group and developed an interest in real estate.

Ms. Johnson was also involved in the Caribbean community in the Atlanta area. In 2005, she met and married Garfield Bailey. Together, they enjoyed an active social life, traveling annually with friends. The couple often hosted and participated in various social activities.

Recognizing the disproportionate number of Black and African American children in the foster care system, Ms. Johnson and Mr. Bailey opened their home to countless children, providing them with some level of stability-even if only temporarily.

Ms. Johnson had a deep love for music, especially reggae gospel, and took immense pride in her appearance, reflected in her love for shopping. One of her favorite stores was Bloomingdale's.

Ms. Johnson was preceded in death by her parents, Esmie and Alvin Johnson, and two brothers, Devon and Selvin Johnson (Curly). She is survived by her husband, Garfield Bailey; her children, Dwayne Reynolds, Karen Flynn (Will), Simone Flynn, and Candice Richards; her grandchildren, Amanda Reynolds, Jaydan Richards, and Marshall Flynn-Mitchell; her brothers, Delroy (Valerie) and Mark; her sisters, Jacqueline Bruce (Junior), Andrea Johnson (Todd), Dawn Johnson-McGregor (Andrew), and Althea Dunn (Chris) as well as numerous cousins and other family members.

Funeral services will be held Friday, December 6, 2024 at 11:00 AM at Antioch Lithonia Baptist Church with Deacon Rickey Dixson officiating; interment will follow at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends Friday, December 6, 2024 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the church. Condolences may be submitted on-line at www.scotward.com. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

Cemetery Details

Green Meadow Memorial Gardens

677 American Legion Rd NE
Conyers, GA 30012

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Antioch Lithonia Baptist Church
2152 Rock Chapel Rd
Lithonia, GA 30058

Service

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Family of Leighton, Gresford & Maxine purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Beverley Dolseta Johnson.



Family of Leighton, Gresford & Maxine - December 03, 2024 at 03:43 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Beverley Dolseta Johnson.



December 02, 2024 at 08:31 PM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



Scot Ward Funeral Services - December 02, 2024 at 02:13 PM

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“ I loved Beverly Johnson, she was my best agent at Mutual of Omaha... her and I would talk often and laugh and laugh...Beverly will be missed by many as she was always very friendly and kind...RIP Beverly....Love Sam Khair

Sam Khair - November 22, 2024 at 02:47 PM