## Homegoing Celebration For



# Marilyn L. Johnson

Sunrise July 8, 1947 Sunset August 7, 2016

<u>Service</u> Friday, August 12, 20<mark>16 - 1</mark>2:00 Noon

#### ST. MATTHEW AME CHURCH

336 Oakwood Ave. Orange, NJ 07050

Rev. Dr. Lanel D. Guyton, Pastor Rev. A. Craig Dunn, Officiating

### <u>Obituary</u>

**Marilyn Johnson** was born on July 8, 1947. She was the beloved daughter of William and Willa Mae Gray.

Marilyn was raised and educated in Newark, NJ. She attended 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue Grammar School. Subsequently, Marilyn attended West Kenny Junior High School; and graduated from South Side High School in 1965.

Marilyn started her Administrative career at Western Electric Manufacturing Company. After Western Electric, she moved on to Newark Pre School Council; and finally, after 25 years of service, she retired from Rutgers University- Newark.

At the age of 14, Marilyn met her future husband, Walter "Tony" Johnson, in 1961. Seven years later, in 1968, they were married. From that union, two children were born; Anthony D. and Jacquelyn L.

Over the years, Marilyn became a world traveler, casino visitor, and bingo player. Marilyn was our family's rock. She was a homemaker, decorator, landscaper, "Do-it-Yourself" expert, and loving wife and mother. The world was a better place with her in it.

Marilyn is survived by her husband of 48 years, Walter "Tony" Johnson; son, Anthony "Tony" Johnson (Dawn- Marie Leonard); daughter, Jacquelyn Brandon (Alonzo Brandon, III); grandson, Alonzo Kellen Brandon; sisters, Patricia Simpson and Winnie Gray Williams, in addition to a host of family and friends who will forever carry on her legacy.

### Order of Service

#### Rev. A. Craig Dunn First Baptist Church of Madison

#### Final Viewing

Opening Prayer	Rev. Dunn
Selection	"How Great Thou Art"
Scripture Readings: OLD TESTAMENT: Psalm 23 NEW TESTAMENT: John 14: 1-6	
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. Dunn
Reflections	(2 MINUTES)
Obituary	(Read Silently)
Selection	"Blessed Assurance"
Eulogy	Rev. Dunn
Recessional	"Let The Church Say Amen"

#### **Interment**

Glendale Cemetery Bloomfield, New Jersey

<u>Repast</u> St. Matthew Church 336 Oakwood Ave. Orange, NJ 07050

## Acknowledgement

There are so many people we would like to thank. Your encouragement and support has been sincerely appreciated and comforting.

While we continue to grieve, it is truly helpful knowing that we have a circle of family and friends that will hold us in prayer and love.

Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered and appreciated.

With sincere thanks and gratitude, The Family of Marilyn L. Johnson

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## Whigham Funeral Home

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