

*Celebration of Life for*  
***Luther Johnson***

**Sunrise**  
September 24, 1935

**Sunset**  
August 6, 2016



Tuesday, August 16, 2016 - 12:00 Noon

**MT. PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

163 Autumn Street

Passaic, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. W. Louis McDowell, Pastor

# *Reflections of Life*

**Luther Johnson**, also affectionately known as “Newt” departed this life on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016. He was born on September 24<sup>th</sup>, 1935, to the late George and Ida Johnson of Passaic. He attended and graduated from the Passaic Public School system. He proudly served in the U.S. Army from October 1958 until receiving an Honorable Discharge in September 1960.

Luther was united in Holy Matrimony to Dolly M. Baker on December 31, 1961. From this union three children were born, Lisa, Marty, and Gina. Luther was a very active father who was involved in his children’s public school education and activities. He enjoyed traveling with his family and engaging in activities that promoted their independence.

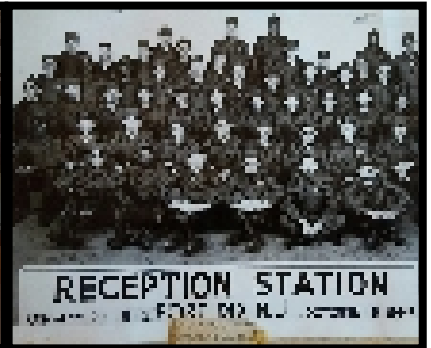
He was employed by Public Service Electric & Gas Company where he served for over thirty years. During his tenure he also helped others gain employment with the company.

Luther was a member of Bethel AME Church of Passaic where he served as a Trustee, a member of the Men’s Club and also participated in other church activities.

As an influential citizen he was involved in many city organizations such as: Albert Lawson Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10117 in Passaic, Second Ward Association of Passaic, Passaic Zoning Board. He was a Notary Public, Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) Commissioner, Passaic Board of Adjustments. He was also, appointed Special Deputy Sheriff of Passaic County and was also involved in other city politics.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Jose, Otis, Samuel, and a sister, Georgia Mae.

He leaves to cherish his life, his wife of 54 years, Reverend Dolly M. (Baker) Johnson; three children; oldest daughter, Lisa A. Johnson-Byard of Burlington Twp., NJ; one son, Luther (Marty) Johnson of Mt. Laurel, NJ and youngest daughter, Gina D. Johnson-Green of Delanco, NJ; two sons-in-law, William Byard and Pernell Green; four grandchildren, Dasan, Brianna, Keirra Byard and Justin Johnson; one sister, Mildred Scudder of Wilmington, DE; two sisters-in-law, Claudia Johnson of Elmwood Park, NJ and Ethell Bolden of Teaneck, NJ; one god-daughter, Deborah Johnson; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.



# Order of Service

Presiding.....Rev. Dr. W. Louis McDowell  
Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church

Opening Hymn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Solo ..... Rev. Dr. W. Louis McDowell

Acknowledgements .....DeAnne Wade

Reflections of Life.....Mrs. Sharon Lockett

Remarks .....Rev. Kim Johnson  
Tranice Pegram

Poem ..... Keirra Byard (Granddaughter)

Selection

Eulogy.....Rev. Marti Robinson, Esq. M. Div.  
Pastor of Bethel AME Church, Passaic, NJ

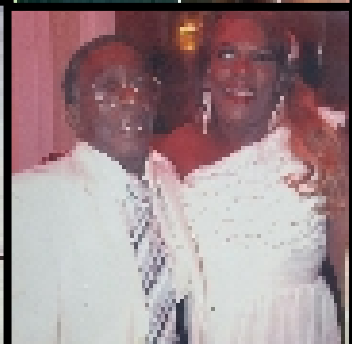
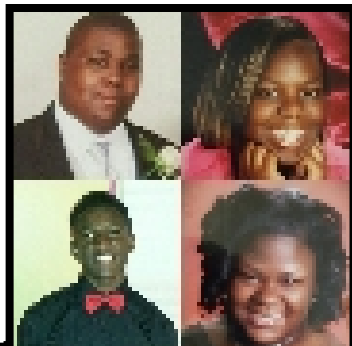
Recessional.....Hymn #432

## **Interment**

William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery  
Arneytown, New Jersey



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## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late **Luther Johnson** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this time of bereavement.  
May God Bless and Keep You!

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