

A Mother's Crown

Heaven lit up with a mighty presence as the angels all looked down.
 Today the Lord was placing the jewels into my mother's crown.
 He held up a golden crown as my darling mother looked on.
 He said in His gentle voice, "I will now explain each one."
 "The first gem," He said, "is a ruby, and it is for endurance alone.
 For all the nights you waited up for your children to come home.
 For all the nights by their bedside you stayed 'til the fever went down.
 For nursing every little wound, I add this ruby to your crown.
 An emerald I'll place by the ruby, for leading your child the right way,
 For teaching them the lessons that made them who they are today,
 For always being right there through all of life's important events.
 I give you a sapphire stone for the time and love you spent.
 For untying the strings that held them when they grew up and left home.
 I give you this one for courage." Then the Lord added a garnet stone.
 "I'll place an amethyst," He said, "for all the time spent on your knees,
 When you asked if I'd take care of your children and having faith in Me.
 I have a pearl for every little sacrifice you made without them knowing,
 The times you went without to keep them happy, healthy, and growing.
 And last but not least, I have a diamond, the greatest one of all,
 For sharing unconditional love whether they were big or small.
 It was your love that helped them grow, feeling safe, happy, and proud.
 A love so strong and pure, it could shift the darkest cloud."
 After the Lord placed the last jewel, He said, "Your crown is complete.
 You've earned your place in Heaven with your children at your feet."

We will always cherish the life lessons that you have taught us,
 and the love shared. We are forever grateful that God
 saw fit for you to be our mom/mommy.

Love,
 Virgin Jr. & Virgil



Repast

Revelation Ministries Fellowship Hall

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Mary Anna Johnson extend our deepest appreciation for the expressions of compassion and understanding from our friends and relatives who consoled our hearts during our time of sorrow. A special thank you to the devoted health professionals, Debra Waker, Linda Singleton, and Eliza Youmans, who cherished and cared for our loved one.

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A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF



Mary Anna
WASHINGTON JOHNSON

Sunrise
January 24, 1937

Sunset
May 24, 2023

Saturday, May 27, 2023
11:00 AM

REVELATION MINISTRIES
9205 Buford's Bridge Highway
Fairfax, South Carolina

Bishop Virgin Johnson, Jr., Pastor & Eulogist
Reverend Dr. Gerald L. Gray, Sr., Officiant

Eighty-Six Blessed Years

*"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."
II Timothy 4:7*

When tomorrow starts without me, don't worry about me. Death beckoned me with an outstretched hand and guided me on to an "Unknown Land." I've lived the three scores and ten years that God promised me, so I was not afraid to go. I took Death's hand without fear because I knew that my Master who safely brought me here would also take me safely back. I reached out and held Death's hand and journeyed on to the Promised Land. I could not stay another day when I heard my Father finally say, "Come to me, my child, to a place of rest." We belong to God; not only for the few fleeting years that we call life, but for eternity. God is on both sides of the river. He walks with us during our earthly life and is there to receive us for our eternal life. We are in God's presence in life, death, and everlasting, yet we must cross the river to receive our crown of life.

MARY ANNA WASHINGTON JOHNSON began her earthly life on January 24, 1937, in Hampton County, South Carolina, when God gave this gentle spirit to the late Charlie Washington and the late Dora Lee Frazier Washington. She attended the Estill Training School in Estill, South Carolina.

When a man finds a wife, he finds a good thing. Mary Ann Washington married Virgin Johnson, Sr., in 1953 in Hampton County, South Carolina. They were married for 62 years when God called Virgin Sr. home in 2015. This union was blessed with four children.

Mary Anna accepted Christ as her Savior at an early age, and when God called her home, she was a member of Revelation Ministries. She loved cooking and could make everything taste very good. She was a very reserved individual who believed strongly in the importance of family.

Mary Anna lived a full life, but God saw she was tired and the hills were too hard to climb. She quietly succumbed to the Lord on May 24, 2023. She was preceded in death by her mother and father; husband, Virgin Johnson, Sr.; son, Clayton Johnson; and daughter, Anna Dora Dobson.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her sons, Bishop Virgin (Charlene) Johnson, Jr., of Orangeburg, SC, and Virgil (Tamika) Johnson of Charlotte, NC; daughter-in-law, Barbara Johnson of Luray, SC; fifteen grandchildren; twenty-two great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; sister, Clementine Boler of Savannah, GA; sisters-in-law, Cora Lee Jones and Lottie Johnson, both of Savannah, GA, Evelyn Smoak of Luray, SC, and Julia Overstreet of CA; brothers-in-law, Star (Fannie) Johnson of Savannah, GA, and Nathaniel (Wanda) Beckett of Fort Payne, AL; special cousin, Irene Priester; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.



Our Grandmother

*It all started the moment we met.
God chose you as someone to never forget,
A blessing to us and us to you,
You lived and reminded the world that you was here.*

*As we all gather here to say
Thank you for being in our lives,
You loved your children, your grandchildren,
Before even knowing their names.*

*A face full of sunshine,
Patient, kind, and true.
To live on and be guided by you,
Standing strong as our guardian angel.*

*Only a heart as dear as yours
Would give so abundantly.
You planted a seed of love in all of us
That will live on eternally.*

*Until we meet again,
We will miss you, Grandmother.
You have all our love
Always and forever.*

*Love Always,
Your Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren*



Order of Service

Musical Prelude Soft Music

Processional.....Ministers and Family

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament - *Psalm 90:1-10*.....Minister Winnifa Clark

New Testament - *St. John 14:1-6*.....Apostle Dublin Johnson, Jr.

Prayer.....Pastor Michael O'Neal

Solo Deacon Elliot Duncan

Special Tribute..... Grandchildren

Selection..... Revelation Ministries Praise Team

EulogyBishop Virgin Johnson, Jr., Son

Service of Commendation

Committal - Prayer - Benediction - Interment

Mortician's Brief

Recessional

