

From Me to You

My grandma was a G and that's true
From raising seven like it's not hard to planting grapes in
her backyard My grandma was a G and that's true
Seeing her whether I was young or old always lightened up
the mood

These memories she holds are living in our hearts as the
light and not the dark She was nice to hold and I always
cherished her soul

See what you do not know is that I'm happy to see her go
For her spirit to be departed just means things for her has
only just started My grandma is golden and she has left
many hearts unfrozen
I celebrate the life she lives and thank God for the time she
did

I would like to cry, but not with sadness in my eyes for eve-
rything about her existence was beautiful
She is a mom and grandma and a great grandma so dutiful
Her presence was heaven warm and never neglecting
So shout out to you for all the life you brought forth and
much more My grandma was a G and that's true.

By: Malik Leviner

Acknowledgment

The family of would like to express their sincere appreciation to
everyone for their prayers and expressions of sympathy and
support during this difficult time.



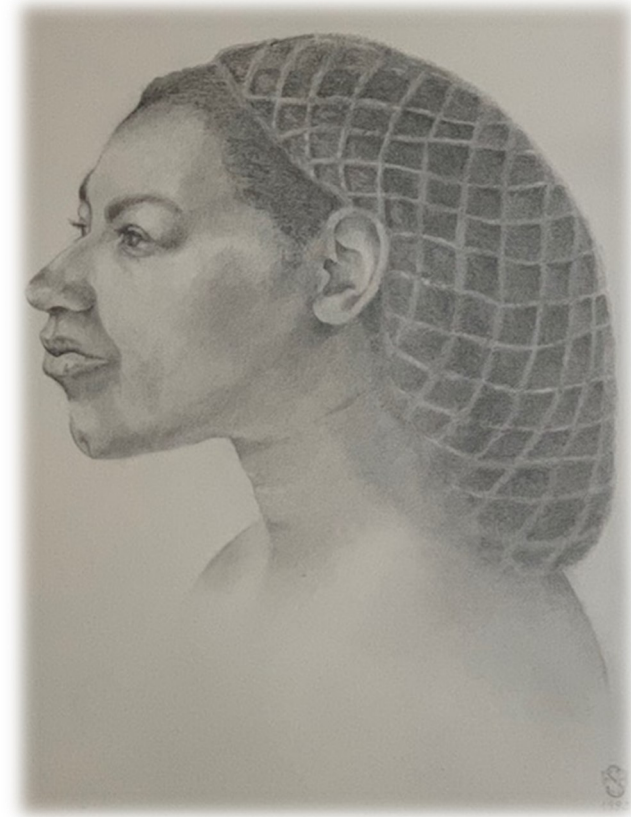
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Celebrating The Life Of

Joan Debnam-Leviner

Sunrise
October 17, 1943

Sunset
August 20, 2021



Thursday, September 2, 2021
Service: 7PM

DAVIS FUNERAL HOME

654 CUMMINS HWY, MATTAPAN, MASSACHUSETTS

REV. FRANKLIN MURRAY., OFFICIATING

Obituary

Joan Roberta Debnam-Leviner was born on October 17, 1943 to the late Mamie H. Debnam and Harvey B. Debnam Sr. in Warren County, NC. She was a hardworking woman that lived a life of purpose and fulfilled her purpose in every endeavor she embarked on. At the age of four she began assisting customers with making their purchases at her father's store. This is where she had the opportunity to sharpen her mathematical skills. Joan was a scholar. She received excellent grades and learned a lot of life skills by the time she completed John R. Hawkins High School.

Joan moved to Boston at the age of 18 in search of work as there were limited job opportunities in Warren County. She settled in the South End and began a married life on Elm Hill Ave in 1965 with the late Alexander Leviner Sr. After some time working and living in Boston she relocated to Alabama, ventured on a cross-country trip to live in Costa Rica in the 1970s, and eventually made it back to Boston.

While back in Boston, Joan was a full-time, stay-at-home mom raising her young children and grandchildren. She also became the neighborhood childcare provider on Rockwell Street and provided a safe space for children after school. Many personalities filled her home over the years. Joan later became a Laundry Aide at The Boston Home where she worked for 10+ years until she retired at the age of 77.

Anyone that knew Joan understood her position on many things. She had her own set of beliefs on how you should treat people and how people should live a healthy lifestyle. These were important ideologies and values that she used to raise her eight surviving children, Darrell D. Debnam, Alexander Leviner Jr., Timothy J. Leviner and spouse Tanya Leary-Leviner, Veronica M. Adeleke, Brendan C.R. Leviner, Millard D. Leviner, Kevin Leviner, and Mary P. Leviner.

Joan is also survived by her 19 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, her sisters Julia Merritt and Jannie Fowler, her brother Dean Debnam and spouse Ella Debnam, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends she loved dearly.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude		Adam Littlejohn
Invocation		Rev. Franklin Murray
Opening Hymn	<i>"Blessed Assurance"</i>	
Scripture Reading	<i>Isaiah 41:10</i>	Isaiah 41:10
	<i>Psalms 34:18</i>	Psalms 34:18
Solo Selection	<i>"His Eye is on the Sparrow"</i>	Veronica Adeleke
Reflections	<i>2 minutes each</i>	Family & Friends
Poem	<i>From Me to You</i>	Joel Debnam
Obituary		Antwanette Pounds
Solo Selection	<i>"Amazing Grace"</i>	Rhonda Denis
Eulogy		Rev. Franklin Murray
Benediction		Rev. Franklin Murray
Recessional		

Interment

Williams Family Cemetery
Hwy 43, Warrenton, North Carolina

Repast

Following the service your invited to join the family for fellowship at
44 Rosedale St. Dorchester, MA 02124 .