

In Loving Memory of
Ruth Jenkins

Sunrise
November 2, 1938

Sunset
July 3, 2012



Service

Monday, July 9, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Al Taylor, Officiating

Marvin Hadley, Organist

Ruth Jenkins Biography

Mrs. Ruth Johnson was born November 2, 1938 to Mrs. Novella Blue Johnson and Mr. Henry James Johnson in Clarkton, North Carolina. She is the granddaughter of the late Ms. Lucy Blue. Ruth graduated from Booker T. Washington High School, Clarkton, North Carolina. During the 1960's, in search of a better life, she migrated north to New York City. She gained employment as a Domestic Worker, until she met and married Melvin Jenkins who preceded her in death. Ruth learned early as a young girl the importance of having God in her life. She was baptized at the family church in Clarkton North Carolina. Ruth enjoyed attending church service when she was able.

Ruth aka “**The Cooking Lady with the Shopping Cart**” was affectionately known for her love of cooking. Typically, one would expect to leave with a take home plate, but Ruth was notorious for giving her guest bags of food when they left her home. Neighbors often would befriend her to learn her cooking techniques and sample her food. On one occasion, growing tired of a nephew's failure to come for lunch, Ruth decided not only to take him lunch, but prepared and brought his entire staff lunch and dessert. Ruth didn't do it for accolades, before the staff could say thank you, Ruth was out the door. These and other acts of kindness exhibited by Ruth were typical of her kindness and love for others. She genuinely gave from her heart. Ruth enjoyed spending time with her children especially her grandchildren who often tried to out think her, time and time again, only to realize that she was right and they were wrong. Ruth didn't just keep it real, she kept it right. She corrected whomever, whenever, and wherever with sincere love and frankness.

On **Tuesday July 3, 2012 at 11:30 A.M.** . Ruth answered the call of her Heavenly Father to come home. She leaves to mourn; Sister Rosa Lee Pone of Baltimore, Maryland, Sister Lucille Kelly of Camden, New Jersey. Sister Kathleen Anderson Hempstead, New York, Sister Laila Troy Durham, North Carolina, Brother Johnny Johnson Philadelphia, Pa. Preceding her in death four brothers; Alex Johnson, Bill Johnson, Preston Johnson, and Betty Lou Johnson; Six children James Stewart Johnson, Cindy Lou Johnson, Sheila Novella Johnson, Dina Johnson, Gregory Jenkins, Zachary Jenkins; Fourteen Grandchildren; Rasheem Johnson, Jamel Johnson, LaToya Johnson, Jasmine Jenkins, Sharlene Jenkins, Jordan Jenkins, Cash Jenkins, LaTricia Morgan, Neena Jenkins, Dante Gregory Jenkins Jr., Deon Banks, Aisa Williams, Mercedes Jenkins, Zachary Jenkins, Jr., Anthony Jenkins; Great Grandchildren, Jahlanni Terrel Jones, Ambra Ahzaree Jenkins, ShyAnn Lee Ferguson, Tabitha Tamia Ferguson, Yzia Johnson, Rasheem Johnson, Jr.; Twenty five nieces and fifteen nephews; and a host of family and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Invocation

Selection:

"Precious Lord"

Ms. Veronica Dawkins

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 23

New Testament: St. Johns 14:1-2

Acknowledgment

Reading of Obituary

Selection:

"Because He Lives"

Ms. Veronica Dawkins

Eulogy

Pastor Alfred Taylor

Infinity Mennonite Church of Harlem

Selection:

"Amazing Grace"

Ms. Veronica Dawkins

Final Viewing

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Maple Grove Cemetery

Hackensack, New Jersey

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to thank everyone for their condolences and best wishes during our time of bereavement.



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