## Celebrating the Life of



Sunrise January 27, 1938 Sunset January 19, 2014

<u>Service</u> Friday, January 24, 2014 - 12:00 Noon

#### **CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH**

535 East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Paterson, New Jersey Rev. Gadson L. Graham, Pastor *Rev. Barry Graham, Officiating* 

<u>Reflections of Life</u>

**Georgia Annette Johnson** was born January 27, 1938 in Montgomery, Alabama to the late Thomas Shackelford and Lillie Mae (Brown) Shackelford.

She graduated from Dunbar Ramer High School and attended college for two years. She later relocated to Paterson, NJ where she met and married Bennie Johnson, Jr, her husband of 53 years. She retired from the United States Postal Service after 35 years of faithful service.

Georgia was known by her family and friends as "Dot" or "Nana". She was a strong, hard working woman, who took pride in caring for herself and others. Georgia was straight and "to-the-point". Everyone who knew her knew that she did not hold back punches. Her "directness" often made us laugh, and she loved to laugh. She enjoyed doing crossword puzzles, keeping herself looking good and in shape. She was VERY knowledgeable of world events.

On Sunday, January 19, 2014 at 5:38 AM, Georgia closed her eyes for eternal rest.

She was preceded in death by two children, Brian Johnson and June Mattiex; three sisters, Juanita Mayes, Ruth Carter and Lilly Johnson; one brother, Thomas Shackelford.

She leaves behind and to cherish her memories: her husband of fifty-three years, Bennie Johnson, Jr.; two sons, Jerrell Johnson, Sr. and Jeffrey Mattiex; three sisters, Mae Hattie Howell, Louise Sankey and Betty Jean Grant; one daughter-in-law, Cassandra Johnson; one sister-in-law, Delores Shackelford; five grandchildren, Terrilyn James, Lamaul and Jamaul Mattiex, Latoya Lambert and Jerrel Johnson, Jr.; and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors.

<u>Order of Service</u>

#### Prelude

Processional

Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements and Reflections

Reflections of Life

Selection

Eulogy ...... Rev. Barry Graham

Recessional

Interment Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery Fair Lawn, New Jersey



# You Better Believe It!

When I die do not cry for my life has come full circle. I've lived my life with those I've loved and friends who were just perfect. I now reside in a place of peace and all things are in perspective.

### Acknowledgement

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

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