



In Loving Memory of

Sylvia Johnson

March 7, 1958 - September 23, 2026

Service

Saturday, October 3, 2026

Viewing: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

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Order of Service

Processional

First Selection “Open My Heart” - Yolanda Adams

Scripture Reading..... Old Testament- Psalm 23

Prayer of Consolation Reverend Tahesha Hillard

Second Selection..... “Never Would Have Made It” - Marvin Sapp

Acknowledgments and Reflections.....A 2-3 minute reflection

Reading of the Obituary..... Dana Johnson

Third Selection..... “Goin’ Up Yonder” - Tramaine Hawkins

Eulogy..... Reverend Tahesha Hillard

Final Viewing

Benediction Reverend Tahesha Hillard

Recessional



Obituary

Sylvia Hazel was born in Brooklyn, New York. The oldest of eight children, she was raised by her loving mother, Mary Hazel. From an early age, Sylvia learned the importance of family, and she carried that love into everything she did.

Sylvia attended South Shore High School in Brooklyn. As a teenager, she met Robert Johnson on Chester Street. Their friendship grew into a love story, and after three years of dating, they married. Together, they built a family and welcomed their children, Damion, Dana, and Monique.

Sylvia Johnson had a gift for caring for others. She taught English at a school for migrant children and later worked as a private babysitter. She welcomed many children into her home, nurturing them and growing to love them as her own. Her family knew her as loving, giving, supportive, and forgiving. She was the person they could talk to about anything—a best friend, a source of guidance, and someone wise enough to know when to listen and when to help.

Sylvia loved to sing, dance, travel, sew, care for her plants, and decorate her home. Family vacations gave her opportunities to make beautiful memories with the people she loved most. In the kitchen, she shared treasured recipes passed down through generations, making sure those family traditions would continue. At her sewing machine, she made outfits and costumes for her children's plays and special events. She put her love into the things she made.

Her grandchildren held a special place in her heart. She spent time playing games with them, treating them to their favorite things, and taking them shopping so they could pick out something for themselves. Those moments were Sylvia's way of showing them how much they meant to her.

Sylvia was strong, nurturing, and ready to help anyone in a time of need. Her strength remained with her until the end. On September 23, 2026, Sylvia was called home while surrounded by the loving arms of her family at home.

In addition to her grandparents, Sylvia is preceded in death by her mother, Mary Hazel, brother Louis Hazel, Uncles: Paul and Joseph Hazel. Aunts: Anna & Joan Hazel. Niece, Jamia Hazel, Nephew, Derrick Jerome Weathers Jr., and Cousin, Yvette Hazel.

Sylvia leaves to cherish her loving memory: her husband, Robert Johnson, her children, Damion Johnson, Dana Johnson, and Monique Burwell; her son-in-law, Phillip Burwell; her godson Bryshon Bryant; her grandchildren, Davall Gibson, Phillip Jr., and Jaeden Burwell; She also leaves her siblings, Alise Hazel, David Hazel, Tanya Hazel-Sisco, Eric Hazel, Jermain Hazel, and Steven Hazel; her brother-in-law, Darren Sisco; her sister-in-law, Angela Hazel; Her Uncles and aunt, James Smith, Benny Hazel, Barbra Hazel and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins whom she loved dearly.

Sylvia gave her family a lifetime of love, lessons, laughter, and memories. They will carry her with them always.

Grandma is Love

*Grandma is love
Love is peace
Love can be small
And also obese
Grandma is love
Her love is unconditional
Love can be animated
Hers is non-fictional
Grandma is love
Her love is free
The price is the same
For you and me
Love is not bought
It can only be earned
Love waits, takes it's time
Then you wait your turn
Grandma is love
Her promises were kept
Her love was present
Even when we wept
Grandma is love
Her love is constant
Her love is warm
And forever present*

- By Davall, Phillip and Jaeden

Acknowledgements

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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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