

*Celebrating the Life of*



*Sheila Johnson*

**Sunrise**  
**September 1, 1953**

**Sunset**  
**October 2, 2021**

**Tuesday, October 12, 2021 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church**  
**95 Clerk Street • Jersey City, New Jersey**  
***Rev. Dr. Stanley Hearst, Officiating***

# Obituary



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Sheila accepted Christ at an early age and became a member of Mt Pisgah AME Church, Jersey City, in 1965. She often shared her fond memories with her children of all-day church service and how she enjoyed riding with her parents and siblings on long car rides to different places where they could appreciate each other after church service.

She was a faithful member of the Gospel Chorus, President of the Stewardess Boards, and vice president of Stewardess Board D. She was a 25-year member of Ruth Missionary Society and held the position of worship leader. She proudly served as Prayer Warrior.

Sheila loved her church, as exemplified by the many activities she was involved with throughout her life. She never wavered in her faith. She also worked tirelessly as a member of Sarah's Daughters.

Sheila leaves to mourn and cherish her memory, her mother Laura Davenport, husband, Jerry; five children Gabriel Maurice Johnson, Tamika N. (Roger) Brinkley, Jernell Johnson, Laura A. (Gerard) Haines, and Jazmin Johnson; seven grandchildren, Jordan and Penelope Johnson, Noah and Ethan Brinkley, De'Autay, Isaiah, and Gianna M. Haines; one great-grand, Davonte, two sisters, Rosemary Bryd and Denise Davenport, three brothers, MacArthur, Allen, and Jerome Davenport; seven sisters-in-law, Paulette Hardin, Nancy (William) Raeford, Mary Ann, and Phyllis Johnson, Lisa Brown, Virginia Hawkins and Michele Davenport; two brothers-in-law, Richard and Mack (Michele) Johnson; three aunts, Grace Robertson, Inez (Sam) Frye, and Maxine (Steven) Royster; two uncles, Sam (June) and Amos Hawkins; dear cousin Valerie Kelly, dear friend Peggy Kates and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.



She is preceded in death by her father Solomon, siblings Billie Hawkins, Solomon Jr., Eddie Davenport, and granddaughter Gabrielle Haines.

Sheila will be remembered for shaking her shoulders, clapping in the choir, and shouting Yeah, Yeah, Yeah! as she praised the Lord. Her mantra, "Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow," will permanently be etched in our memories and our hearts.



# Order of Service

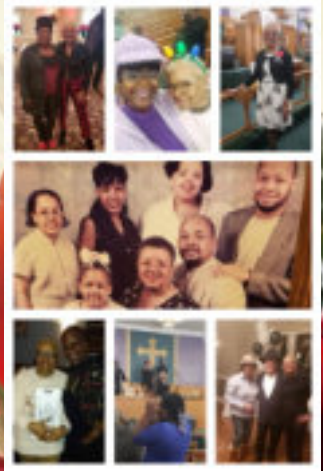
Prelude .....	Min. Laniard Nix
Processional .....	Clergy, Officers, and Family
Final Viewing .....	Jackson Funeral Residence
Opening Hymn .....	Blessed Assurance
Prayer of Comfort .....	Rev. Dr. Cynthia D. Jackson
Scripture .....	Mary Ann Johnson
	Old Testament -Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
	New Testament-Philippians 1:21-23
Selection .....	Mass Choir
Acknowledgements/Resolutions.....	Dyanne Robinson
Expressions of Love	
	Ruth Missionary Society-First Lady Melanie Hearst
	Choir-Judy Moss
	Prayer Warriors-Evangelist Cora Simmons
	Stewardess Board- Linda Martin
	Siblings-Denise Davenport
	Hawkins Family-Grace Roberson
Selection .....	Patricia Dingle
Obituary .....	June Jones-Hawkins
Selection .....	Bro. Gerald Alston
Eulogy .....	Rev. Dr. Stanley Hearst
Solo - "The Lord's Prayer" .....	Patricia Morrison
Recessional .....	"How Great is Our God" to be played softly

*Interment*  
Hollywood Memorial Park & Cemetery  
Union, New Jersey

# *When Tomorrow Starts Without Me*

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today, while thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand that an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last. And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

-Author unknown



## *Acknowledgment*

The family wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you in a very special way.



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