

Pallbearers

Nephews and Cousins

Floral Bearers

Nieces and Cousins

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mrs. Wilber Jean Johnson, would like to thank God first and foremost for allowing us to share many years of love, laughter, and life with His daughter, Jean. We would also like to sincerely express our gratitude to our family, friends, and neighbors for your prayers, acts of kindness, words of comfort and encouragement, and love during this time. We also appreciate and thank the employees of Prisma Health Baptist for the care they provided Jean during her stay at the hospital. Our prayer for us all is that we continue to remember the fond memories we have with her, and continue to share her legacy with others by living a life rooted in faith, love, and joy. There is no doubt in our minds that our girl is rejoicing with the angels, and has secured her place in Heaven. We wanted her to stay, but God wanted His daughter home. May God continue to bless us all.

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*Home Going Service
In Loving Memory
of*
WILBER JEAN JOHNSON



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2022
1:00 P.M.

BAMBERG MEMORY GARDENS
14836 HERITAGE HWY
BAMBERG, SOUTH CAROLINA

REVEREND STEPHAN SINGLETON
-OFFICIATING-

Reflections of the Life
of
Mrs. Wilber Jean Johnson

Mrs. Wilber Jean Johnson was born March 9, 1949 in Orangeburg, SC. She was the beloved daughter of Mrs. Mary E. Rickenbacker and the late Mr. Wilber J. Rickenbacker. She entered into eternal rest on Sunday, February 13, 2022, at Prisma Health Baptist Hospital.

She was united in Holy Matrimony to her late husband, John H. Johnson, Sr., on November 15, 1969. To this 39-year union, two children were born. Her children, Angela M. Johnson and John H. Johnson, Jr., preceded her in death, 2013 and 2006.

Jean Johnson was educated in the Bamberg County Public Schools. She graduated from Richard Carroll High School. Upon graduation, she attended Voorhees College.

After relocating to Irmo, SC, Jean joined Pine Grove A.M.E., and was active in various choirs, the usher board, and missionary society. She was a big supporter of the praise dance and mime ministries that were under the direction of Fifi Means and the late Angela M. Johnson. In 2010, she joined Grace Heritage Ministries under the leadership of Reverend Stephen Singleton, where she remained a member until her death. As a member of Grace Heritage Ministries, she served as a Class Leader, and volunteered when and where she could.

She was affectionately known as *Grandma Jean*, *Mama Jean*, or *Mrs. Jean* to so many. Jean Johnson loved her family and friends. She was a woman of strong faith, who was humble, gentle, giving, loving, patient, and someone with great inner strength. Her whole life was a testimony and one that exemplified that of Job. Not once during all of her trials and tribulations did she forget that all of her help came from God. She declared God's goodness all the way until her death and did not hesitate to tell anyone and everyone who entered her hospital room or crossed her path that God is Good! Jean will always be remembered for being a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, daughter, aunt, and friend.

Jean Johnson is preceded in death by her father, Wilber J. Rickenbacker; father and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ester (Vina) Johnson Sr.; seven brothers-in-law, Ester Johnson, Sr., James Johnson, Sr., Willie C. Johnson, Hercules Johnson, Lewis Johnson, Julian Johnson, and Roy Jennings; three sisters-in-law, Eloise Johnson, Jeanette Johnson, and Barbara Johnson.

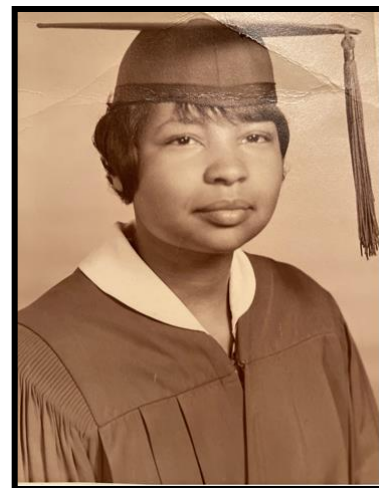
Mrs. Wilber Jean Johnson leaves to cherish her memory: her mother, Mary E. Rickenbacker, of Bamberg, SC; two granddaughters, Dr. Joleesa Johnson, of Statesboro, GA and McKenzie Gary, of Duncan, SC; four grandsons, Joseph Johnson, of Columbia, SC, Brandon Johnson, of Atlanta, GA, DeVonte Zagata, of Shickshinny, PA, and Randall Gary, Jr., of Duncan, SC; three great-grandchildren, Joseph Johnson Jr., Alana Johnson, and William Johnson; two goddaughters, LaKyn and Madyson Williams; two sisters, Judith D. Rickenbacker, of Chicago, IL and Gwen J. Landy, of Orangeburg, SC; a chosen daughter, Fifi (Barney) Means of Lexington, SC, three brothers-in-law, Walter (Mary) Johnson, Jr., of Hope Mills, NC, Edward (Emma) Johnson, of Fayetteville, NC, and Dwight (Evette) Johnson, of Cincinnati, OH; three sisters-in-law, Edna Jennings, of North, SC, Ruby Johnson of Swansea, SC, and Roslyn Johnson of Laurens, SC, two uncles, Charlie Simeon (Beverly) of Philadelphia, PA and Bishop Matthew (Joanne) Johnson of Cambridge Heights, NY, a devoted niece and nephew, Gwendolyn Norris and Willie Clay "Billy" (Peggy) Johnson, Jr., a special group of friends, The Black Golden Girls, and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and great friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

To Those Whom I Love And Those Who Love Me

*When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,
But be thankful we had so many good years.
I gave you my love, and you can only guess
How much you've given me in happiness.
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I travelled on alone.
So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It is only for a while that we must part,
So treasure the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away for life goes on.
And if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All my love around you soft and clear.
And then, when you come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.*

-Anon

Memories



Order of Service

Prelude
 Processional
 Opening Hymn.....“Yes God Is Real”.....Ms. Sherry Hollins
 Old Testament.....Psalm 27:1-14.....Reverend Phillip Woodward
 New Testament.....1 Corinthians 13:1-3.....Reverend Phillip Woodward
 Prayer of Comfort..... Reverend Stephen Singleton
Pastor, Grace Heritage Ministries Columbia, South Carolina
 Solo.....Dr. Patricia Witherspoon
 Remarks.....Mrs. Linda Woodward, *cousin/sister*
3 minutes please Missionary Verna Starks, *close family friend*
 Mr. Edward Johnson, *brother-in-law*
 Mr. Billy Johnson, *Nephew*
 Ms. Judith Rickenbacker, *sister*
 Solo.....Dr. Brandon Wright
 Words of ComfortReverend Stephen Singleton
Pastor, Grace Heritage Ministries Columbia, South Carolina
 Committal and Benediction
 Recessional.....“We’ll Understand It Better By And By”
 Postlude



Memories

