Pallbearers

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Good Morning

The road I have traveled has not always been an easy one and the path was often full of stone, but I am still here.

I know that the only reason I was able to make it this far, the only reason I am still here today, is the fact that God was walking the road with me every step of the way.

Amen!

<u> Heknowledgement</u>

We, the family of the late Virginia Lee Johnson Lyles, would like to thank each of you for the many acts of love and kindness shown to us, during the passing of our loved one. We pray that God blesses each of you in a very special way.

Services Entrusted To:



Celebration of Life
In Loving Memory

of

Mrs. Virginia Lee Johnson Lyles



Wednesday, July 20, 2022 12:00 noon

Leevy's Truneral Home Chapel

1831 Taylor Street

Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Dr. Stanley R. Ladson, Sr.
-Pastor-

Obituary of Mrs. Virginia Lee Johnson Lyles

Mrs. Virginia Lee Johnson Lyles was born on July 9, 1939, in Atlanta, Georgia. She was the 5th of six children and the youngest daughter born to the late Eural Johnson and Lucille Ann Johnson. She was married for 65 years, to the late James M. Lyles. She departed his earthly life for her eternal life on Wednesday, July 13, 2022.

Affectionately known as **Jean** by family and friends, she was truly a special person. She was one of the best persons one could have ever known. Jean was beautiful in every way, she was devout in her service to God, and in her devotion to family. As the matriarch of our family, she was our everything. It is our hope that everyone has the pleasure of having a person in your life who stands solidly in your corner. **Jean** was definitely that person. She offered encouragement and most importantly, she was a tremendous source of support for each of us. If ever she was needed, we could count on her to be there.

Her vibrant personality and penchant for talking allowed her to engage in conversations with most people as if they were a lifelong friend. In our home, **Jean** loved to cook and was famously known for making extremely large meals. With those meals, she would continue to add more and more side dishes, as if there could never be enough. She was also known for her love of our outdoor BBQs.

Jean enjoyed sewing, along with all types of arts and crafts. She had a special love for cowboy movies. She loved watching Gunsmoke and other shows where Matt Dillion was featured. **Jean** also developed a love of race cars/tracks, along with sandboxes thanks to her regular outings with her great-grandson, Tyler. Yes, having survived the first three generations of raising children, **Jean** actually had the courage to help raise a 4th generation.

She loved to travel, especially with her husband. Jean was always up to a challenge. She enjoyed board games, deep sea fishing, riding go-carts, and horseback riding. Skydiving was also on the table, but she never worked up the nerve to do it. **Jean** will always be remembered for her warm and delightful smile, her wonderful and caring nature, and her welcoming personality.

In addition to her parents and husband, **Jean** was preceded in death by: her oldest daughter, Michelle Baker; her brothers, Luther and Albert Johnson, and her sisters, Elizabeth Christian and Katy Warner.

We should all have the pleasure of living a purposeful journey with God at the helm. We praise and most humbly thank our loving God, who allowed **Jean** to be a part of our lives. We can rest assured that He has reserved a special place in heaven for **Jean**. She knew she was loved, and she will be greatly missed.

Jean is survived by her children, Nanette Lyles Goodwin (Cornelius Jordan) and Patricia Lyles (Kim Robinson); grandchildren, Nichole (Ameen) Trotter, Michael L. Baker, Jeaneé Lyles Jeffery, and Taylor Lyles Goodwin; great-grandchildren, Kenya Baker and Tyler Goodwin; her older brother, Earl (Earnestine) Johnson; her brother-in-law, William Lyles, of Hampton Virginia; her sister-in-law, Ruth Lyles Bailey, of Atlanta, Georgia; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends, all of whom love her and will miss her dearly.

Memories













A Service of Remembrance



Committal, Benediction and Interment

2:00 p.m.
Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina