



Josetta L. Akpan

August 9, 1951 - May 15, 2022

Josetta Louise Newton-Akpan was born August 9, 1951 in Toledo, Ohio to the late Jonathan Newton and the late Helen Rose Marie Love Newton. She passed away May 15, 2022 at Mercy St. Anne Hospital.

Josetta was a loving sibling and the primary caregiver of her younger brothers and sister after the passing of her father. She ensured her siblings were fed, sometimes having to borrow parts of meals from neighbors in the City Park/Indiana Avenue area. The children in the neighborhood called themselves the “Green Street Family”, playing in Sterling field and in the nearby creek. Josetta loved playing games with her friends and siblings, specializing in jacks, knowing every variation of the childhood game. She also loved playing Monopoly, a tradition she carried as she raised her own children.

After graduating from Libbey High School, Josetta worked as an LPN in nursing homes. She valued education, and she earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Sociology from the University of Toledo in 1992, after having all of her children. Upon graduation, she worked as a day care supervisor and compliance director until the death of her daughter, Jacqueline Marie Webb. From then, she was the primary caregiver of Jackie’s children, Dajon, Ha’Teana and Ashleigh.

Josetta always had a good book or a Reader’s Digest within reach. She was a

voracious reader and enjoyed murder mysteries – especially her favorite, Agatha Christie. She loved nature, fresh air and open spaces, so she filled the house with plants and tended to a backyard garden in the summers, replete with marigolds, tomatoes and watermelon.

She had an adventurous spirit, taking spur-of-the-moment road trips just to taste food and see sights. Her favorite singers were Natalie Cole and Billie Holiday. Josetta was an active member of Warren AME Church, singing in the choir and serving in the Daughters of Allen.

Josetta was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Rodney Love, and her daughter Jacqueline Marie Webb. She is survived by her brothers Richard Love, Joseph Newton and John Newton, her sister Margo Newton, her daughters Angelica Dionne Newton, Emma Precious Akpan and Tiffany Ima Akpan, her grandchildren Da'jon Marquis Pettis, Ha'Teana Marie Gross, Ashleigh Elizabeth Gross and Jazmine Serenity Sharp and many other nieces, nephews, and cousins

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Avenue
Toledo, OH 43615

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Warren AME Church
915 Collingwood Blvd
Toledo, OH 43604-8416
(419) 243-2237

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

PC

“ Pamela Moss Cousing lit a candle in memory of Josetta L. Akpan



Pamela Moss cousing - June 18, 2022 at 05:04 PM

TT

“ Greetings Cousins Joe, Johnny, and Margo; and other family members, Please accept my condolences on behalf of Josetta's transition from time into eternity. I pray that God will bless you and keep your hearts and minds at peace. May God perfect that which concerns you in Jesus's name. Amen.

*Prayerfully and with Love,
Cousin Toni*

Toni Tindall - May 25, 2022 at 11:38 PM

LM

“ To the family of Josetta. My prayers are that the comfort from God will cover you during this time of loss.



Linda D. Mickles - May 23, 2022 at 09:43 PM

SW

“ Shannon Webb lit a candle in memory of
Josetta L. Akpan



Shannon webb - May 23, 2022 at 02:04 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of
Josetta L. Akpan.



May 22, 2022 at 07:35 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for
the family of Josetta L. Akpan.



May 21, 2022 at 08:55 PM

WK

“ Condolences, to the family of Josette Akpan, rest in peace cousin.
Love, William O Kyle Sr. and family

William Kyle - May 21, 2022 at 08:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Josetta L. Akpan.*



May 20, 2022 at 10:49 PM



“ *Rest easy my dear friend! You are no longer suffering. Know that I will miss our talks and laughter. Love you much Josetta!*



Marilyn Watson - May 20, 2022 at 12:24 PM



“ *Rest in heaven cousin Josetta. We love u.*



Keesha Mitchell-el - May 19, 2022 at 08:15 PM



“ *May your heart find comfort knowing that your love one is at home with the Lord*
Love Gwendolyn E. March Jones and Family

Gwendolyn E. March Jones - May 19, 2022 at 07:13 PM