



Ruby L. Johnson

January 29, 1933 - February 19, 2021

Ruby Lee Johnson was born in Puryear, Tennessee, her parents Gene Opal and Ludie Tharpe, later relocated to Murray, Kentucky.

In Murray, Kentucky Ruby met and married Otis L. Johnson and relocated to Toledo, Ohio, and joined Third Baptist Church on her Christian experience. She served in Ministry on the Senior Usher Board, Supervisor of the Junior Usher Board, Financial Secretary for the Church, Adult Fellowship choir and sung with various choirs in the city. She remained a faithful servant until she was unable to serve.

She was employed with the U.S. Postal Service for 26 years, as a Station Manager where she retired October 1992.

Ruby was an avid bowler, very friendly and outgoing, loved to sing, always smiling, and enjoyed being with her children and family; she knew her children loved her much; she loved meeting and talking to people, shopping, and eating. She was a participating member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Toledo, Ohio.

Ruby transitioned from earth to Heaven on February 19, 2021, surrounded by her 5 children.

She was preceded in death by her husband Otis L. Johnson; parents Gene Opal (Ludie) Tharpe; 3 brothers; Augusta Williams, Billy G. Tharpe, Stanley W. Tharpe, and cousin Reverend Dennis J. Ward.

She leaves to cherish her memory 5 children, Kenneth Johnson Sr., Toledo, OH., Pamela (Rev. Rodney) Crosby Sr., Toledo, OH., Michael (Carletta) Johnson Cincinnati, OH., Sonna (Frankie) Swain Toledo, OH., Derrick (Michelle) Johnson, Surprise, AZ., a brother Robert (Brenda) Tharpe, Flint, MI., 17 grandchildren, 43 great grandchildren, 6 great-great grandchildren, and a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Dale-Riggs Funeral Home
572 Nebraska Avenue
Toledo, OH 43604

Family Hour

FEB **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Southern Missionary Baptist Church
1222 Indiana Avenue
Toledo, OH 43607

Tribute Wall

ST

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to all my cousins during this difficult time. I know its hard but just know she is resting and with the rest of our family.*

*Love you all,
Susan Tharpe*

susan tharpe - February 26, 2021 at 11:17 AM

ST

“ *Susan Tharpe lit a candle in memory of Ruby L. Johnson*



susan tharpe - February 26, 2021 at 11:15 AM

RY

“ *I am so grateful and thankful that you crossed my path it wasn't by chance but divine purpose that you were meant to become my Grandmother even though you were not my blood Grandmother I will cherish every moment that was shared you taught me a lot about motherhood and we would sit and talk for hours just being at your house was comforting and how your family embraced and took me in as their own I will always Love Mrs Ruby Johnson, as OJ would call you RJ. Your smile and laughter will forever be missed but always remembered. Rest on. Love you Grandma. Rakiah KiKi Young*

Rakiah Kiki Young - February 26, 2021 at 12:54 AM



“ *Rest on Aunt Ruby! We love you.
Liz, Ann, & Amy!!*



Ann Arceneaux - February 25, 2021 at 09:01 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the
family of Ruby L. Johnson.*



February 25, 2021 at 09:18 AM



“ *Elizabeth Hudspeth lit a candle in memory of
Ruby L. Johnson*



Elizabeth Hudspeth - February 25, 2021 at 08:18 AM



“ *Rodgers, Nimmo and Applegate Family with Love
purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the
family of Ruby L. Johnson.*



Rodgers, Nimmo and Applegate Family with Love - February
24, 2021 at 10:57 PM

ES

“ So Sorry to hear about the loss of our Dear Cousin Ruby. We send our deepest sympathies to the Family. Love Terence, Ercell, and Paul Somerville



Ercell Somerville - February 24, 2021 at 08:47 PM

RR

“ I will cherish her memory. We sang in the adult fellowship choir at Third Baptist. She was Ruby Alto and I was Ruby Soprano and if we sat next to each other we often sang each other's part. We laughed but the choir director did not think it was funny.

Rev. Ruby Radford - February 24, 2021 at 05:25 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruby L. Johnson.



February 24, 2021 at 05:21 PM

GJ

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

Gwendolyn E. March Jones - February 24, 2021 at 12:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Ruby L. Johnson.



February 24, 2021 at 10:56 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Ruby L. Johnson.



February 24, 2021 at 09:56 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Ruby L. Johnson.



February 23, 2021 at 10:23 PM