## Acknowledgements

The family would like to express its sincere gratitude for all of the kindness shown during the passing of our loved one. Every call, card, and visit was greatly appreciated.

Lovingly,

The Family



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## Order of Service

Apostle Addie M. Harris Rawls, Officiating

Opening Selection
Elder Marvin Rawls, Jr.

Reading of Holy Scriptures
Evangelist Beverly Harris

<u>Prayer of Comfort</u> Elder Mary Ann Walker

<u>Acknowledgments and Obituary</u> Evangelist Beverly Harris

Selection
Elder Marvin Rawls, Jr.

<u>Eulogy</u> Apostle Addie Rawls

Mortician's Brief
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**Committal and Benediction** 



## The Obituary

On April 25, 2021, God looked down from above and touched our loved one. God saw that her burdens were getting hard to bear and mountains hard to climb, so He gently closed her loving eyes and whispered, "Peace be Thine."

Mary Lee Johnston was born on June 20, 1927 to the late Charles Lee and Lottie Smith Lee in Pittsburgh, PA. She was called to eternal rest early Sunday morning, April 25, 2021.

Mary graduated from Duquesne High School in Pennsylvania. Later, she married Ralph Johnston and to this union was born five children. She attended Tried Stone Baptist Church where she served faithfully on the Nurse and Ushers Ministry. Her favorite song was Peace Be Still. Mary was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star an active participant in the Bowling League and she loved to play Bid Whist.

Mary is preceded in death by: her parents, Charles and Lottie Lee; her husband, Ralph Johnston; her daughter, Valetta Hardy; her granddaughter, Carla Johnson; great grandchildren, Leslie Johnson, and William Redmond, III.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her daughter, Valerie Frazier (Frederick) of Garner, NC; her sons, Ralph Johnson (Beverly) of Detroit, MI, Ronald Johnson (Cheryl) of Houston, TX, and Richard Johnson (Joyce) of Havre de Grace, MD; nine grandchildren, Shawn Johnson, Allan Johnson, Rakita Johnson, Veronique Johnson, Nedrick Johnson, Kyra Johnson, Richard Johnson, Jr, Jawan Johnson, Khalil Johnson; eight great grandchildren, Corey Redmond, Lamont Redmond, Serenity Johnson, Avery Johnson, Jayden Johnson, Micah Johnson, Tray Johnson, and Rayan Johnson; five great great grand children, Michael, Jamarion, Elijah, Lamiya, Tremain; her siblings, Kenny Lee and Dorthy Lee Williams and a host of other relatives and friends.