

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Family of Carolyn Johnson would like to thank you for the many acts of kindness and Words of comfort that have helped to strengthen our spirits during our time of bereavement. It is with deep gratitude that we express our appreciation for your prayers, visits, calls, and other acts of kindness. May God continue to Bless each of you.

### **Special Thanks with Love:**

Travis Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church Family, Rev. Beverly Baskin, Justeen Landrum, Tilde Wesley, Rose Harris, Baptist Health Hospice Care Team and Scott Memorial Funeral Home.

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Ulysses Johnson | Delmere Peter Augustin  
Howard W. Jackson | Roy Lee Jackson

## ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Timothy Hardin | George Morris | Javian McClinton  
Charles White Jr. | James Smith | Adrian Smith

## FLOWER BEARERS

Deaconess, Friends and Members

## INTERMENT

Glenwood Cemetery  
395 Mike Espy Drive - Yazoo City, MS 39194

## REPAST

St. Matthew Church of God in Christ  
729 Calhoun Ave - Yazoo City, MS 39194

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO



1401 E. Broadway Street  
Yazoo City, MS 39194  
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# CELEBRATION OF LIFE AND HOMEGOING OF



*Rev. Carolyn Johnson*

**Sunrise: August 25, 1954 – Sunset: January 7, 2024**

Saturday, January 13, 2024 ~ 2:30 p.m.

**St. Matthew Church of God in Christ**

729 Calhoun Avenue | Yazoo City, MS 39194

**Administrative Asst. John H. Scott, Sr., Host Pastor**

**Rev. Beverly Baskin, Officiating**

*Pastor of Travis Chapel AME Church – Vicksburg, MS*

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. ~ Jeremiah 29:11

## HER LIFE'S JOURNEY

Carolyn Ann Johnson, age 69, passed away on a beautiful Sunday morning on January 07, 2024. She was born to Helen Taylor and Napoleon Fisher on August 25, 1954, in Lafayette, Louisiana, both of whom preceded her in death. Carolyn accepted Christ at a young age at Coolspring M. B. Church Highway 61 N Vicksburg, MS. After moving to Yazoo City in the early 70s, she met and married George Morris, who preceded her in death. In 1997, Carolyn married her husband, Ulysses Johnson. She was a wonderful mother and spiritual leader to her children, whom she referred to as "The Gifted 5;" (Michael, Becky, Georgia, Timothy, and George Jr.)

Carolyn loved all children and was passionate about education. She was formally educated at Jackson State University. Upon earning a B.S. in Early Childhood Education, she served our youth in multiple school systems in Pensacola, Florida; Vicksburg, Ms., Decatur, Ga., and Yazoo City, Ms. for over forty years. Furthermore, Carolyn pursued biblical studies at Andersonville Theological Seminary in Camilla, Georgia, where she earned a Master's in Theology and Bonner Campbell School of Religious Studies in Edwards, MS.

Among her many talents, Carolyn later discovered that God had given her musical gifts of singing and playing the piano. She shared these gifts with many and was regularly requested to play the piano for multiple churches. Additionally, she taught many of her students and grandchildren the art of playing the piano. As an accomplishment, her students competed at Valley State University, and all her pianists placed.

Carolyn was a former member of Antioch M.B. Church, Yazoo City, MS Travelers Rest Baptist Church, Vicksburg, Ms. She became a member of Travis Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church under the pastorate of Rev. Horace McKay. She remained a faith member until death. Rev. Johnson accepted her calling into the ministry while a member of Travis Chapel. Rev. Johnson pastored Bethel AME Church and Lintonia Chapel AME in Yazoo City, MS/ Furthermore, she planted and pastored Johnson Chapel Church in Yazoo City. Carolyn was a proud member of the Yazoo City Community, served as a member of the Yazoo Housing Authority, and the proud owner of Yazoo Gifted Academy.

## THE SURVIVING FAMILY

Carolyn leaves to mourn her devoted husband, Ulysses Johnson of Vicksburg, Ms., **The Gifted-5**; Michael Fisher of Fort Worth, Texas (Michael Jr., Darion, Demetrius, Xaxier); Becky Norman of Orange Park, FL (Javian, Gregory, Zacari); Georgia Lewis of Yazoo City, Ms.(Charles Jr., DeKobe, Danasia, Destane, King George) Timothy and Celena Hardin of Jacksonville, FL. (Treyvon and Nicolas) George Morris Jr. of New Orleans, LA (Adra, Ariavon, Ancesia, Azaria). Twenty-two "Granny Babies" (Michael Jr., Darion, Demetrius, Xavier, Javian, Gregory, Zacari, Charles Jr., Dekobe, Danasia, Destane, King George, Treyvon, Nicolas, Adra, Ariavon, Ancesia, Azaria, Kim, Sam, Derrick, and Tabitha). Eight "GG Babies": Nylan, Jaxson, Dennis, No'lia, Malani, DeKobe Jr., Casey, and Carter. Sisters: Justeen Landrum of Bentonina, Ms. Tilda Wesley of Vicksburg, Ms. Precious Augustin (Delmere Peter Augustin) of New Orleans, La., Susie Fisher-Doss of Southaven, MS, and Michelle Fisher, Yazoo City, Ms. Sister in Law: Barbara Ann Fisher of North Carolina. Cousins: Howard W. Jackson of Jacksonville, FL, and Roy Lee Jackson of Vicksburg. Ms. Nieces and Nephews: Rosie, Willie, Tommy, Helen, April, James, Adrian, Veleta, Keith, Keyshia, Stacy, Tina, and Rhyonda. Dear Friend and Colleague Denise Brent of Yazoo City, Ms. Parents, students, teachers, and staff of Yazoo Gifted Academy. A host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. Last but not least, her dog "**Hank**."

## PRECEDED IN DEATH

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, Helen Taylor and Napoleon Fisher; one daughter: Laverne Williams; brothers, James Smith, Major Fisher, Eddie Fisher, and LC Fisher. Sister, Gloria Jean Taylor. Sister -in -Law Gladys Fisher, Neice Aubrey Smith, and Granddaughter - Aaliyah Grace Fisher.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE  
Soft Music

PROCESSIONAL  
Clergy and Family

MUSICAL SELECTION  
"Jesus Keep me Near the Cross"

PRAYER  
Rev. Herbert Spears

SCRIPTURE READING  
Old Testament | Psalm 23  
Zacari Norman  
King Lewis

New Testament | I Thessalonians 4:14-17  
King Lewis

MUSICAL SELECTION  
"He Knows My Name"  
Cathy M. Donald

WORDS OF COMFORT  
Rev. Dr. Verleria Brown

MUSICAL SELECTION  
Danasia Lewis, Piano

REFLECTIONS  
Two Minutes Please  
Family & Friends

MUSICAL SELECTION  
"Amazing Grace"  
Danasia and Dekobe Lewis

EULOGY  
Rev. Beverly Baskin

SCOTT MEMORIAL  
FUNERAL DIRECTORS IN CHARGE

RECESSIONAL  
Clergy, Family and Friends

## "MOTHER'S HANDS"

Marian Jones

Hands that rocked the cradle  
From the moment of my birth,  
Their tender touch remembered  
By those still here on Earth.  
Soft as silk, those hands  
That taught me how to pray,  
Banishing childhood fears;  
They soothed each one away.  
When I grew much older  
And troubles came my way,  
Those hands caressing mine  
Did more than words could say.  
Mother's hands were gentle,  
They're missed so very much,  
I'd give the world to feel once more  
Their warm and tender touch.  
Those hands were full of comfort  
Now, they lie at rest,  
But memories hold them close  
To the ones, they served the best.

God  
IS MY  
refuge  
&  
strength