

Safely Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones; Oh so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over, Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever, Safely home in heaven at last.

Did you wonder how I so calmly Trod the valley of the shade?
Oh, but Jesus' love illumined Every dark and fearful glade.

And he came himself to meet me In that way so hard to tread.
And with Jesus' arm to lean on, Could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely, For I love you dearly still.
Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's will.

There is work still waiting for you, So, you must not idly stand.
Do it now, while life remains, You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed, He will gently call you home.
Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh, the joy to see you come!

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to all of you for your prayers, presence, love, telephone calls and all other expressions of concern that you have shown during our time of bereavement. Never more than now was your kindness needed and more appreciated. May God bless and keep you all always.

The Family of Johnnie M. Blount



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Celebrating the Life of

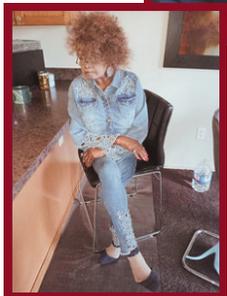
Ms. Johnnie Monica Blount

Sunrise: February 28, 1942 - Sunset: August 20, 2025

Friday, September 5, 2025
11:00 a.m.

New Mt. Calvary Baptist Church
3800 West Miller Road
Lansing, Michigan 48911

Reverend Lonnie J. Chipp, Jr., Pastor, Officiating



Order of Service

Prelude

Processional
Family

Prayer
Dr. Shirley June, Minister

Scripture
Dr. Lee June, Minister

Musical Selection
New Mt. Calvary Baptist Church Choir

Aknowledgements of Cards,
Condolences & Obituary
Sister Stephanie Williams

Expressions
(Please limit to 2 minutes)
Family & Friends

Musical Selection
New Mt. Calvary Baptist Church Choir

Eulogy
Pastor Lonnie J. Chipp, Jr.

Committal

Benediction

Recessional

The Life, Love and Legacy of

Ms. Johnnie Monica Blount

Johnnie Monica Blount peacefully transitioned to be with her LORD on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, in Lansing, Michigan, at the age of 83 years. She was born on Saturday, February 28, 1942, in Shaw, Mississippi to parents, Mary Eliza Davis-Murphy and Robert Hayes.

Johnnie grew up in Clarksdale, Mississippi and attended Aggie High School. With her love for learning, she later relocated to Kansas City, Missouri where she furthered her education at the University of Missouri at Kansas City.

Johnnie was a woman of faith and dedication. She was a devoted member of New Mount Calvary Baptist Church in Lansing, Michigan. She cherished worshipping and fellowship with her church family.

Johnnie enjoyed an active lifestyle. She loved walking, jogging, and spending time outdoors. She found joy in shopping, family gatherings, and especially moments with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her warm personality and loving nature left an impression on everyone she knew and met.

Johnnie, leaves to cherish her memory her three daughters, Shirley Ann Hughes, Mary Ann (Fred) Ford, both of Waukegan, Illinois, and her youngest daughter, April R. Franklin of Lansing, Michigan; four grandchildren, Ryan Hughes, Bruce Hughes, Cheyanne Franklin-Truman, and her dearest granddaughter, Ieisha Summerville; six great-grandchildren, Gabrielle Franklin, Bryson Saxton, Malaysia Cole, Keyani Saxton, LaMelo Cole and Carter King. She also leaves behind her beloved sister, Charli Mae Williams of Toledo, Ohio. Johnnie was dearly loved by many nieces, nephews including two very special nephews, Willard Payne and Semaj Adams, other relatives, many extended family and friends who will also miss her including her lifelong dear friend, Elaine Mathis.

Johnnie was preceded in death by her husbands, Charles Blount and Irving E. Franklin; grandson, Ashure D. Lindsey; parents, Mary Eliza Davis-Murphy and Robert Hayes; and three brothers, Johnny Carroll Johnson, Willard L. Hughes, and Joe H. Davis.

Johnnie's life was a testament to faith, family and love. She will forever be remembered for her kindness, strength, and the joy she brought to those around her.