



Helen Johnson Gardner

November 29, 1939 - September 14, 2017

Helen Johnson Gardner was born in Durham, North Carolina on November 29, 1939, to the late Wealthy Johnson and Anna Monk.

She quietly departed this life on Thursday, September 14, 2017, at Cherry Lane Nursing Center.

She attended Durham North Carolina Public Schools. Helen was a homemaker. She was a faithful member of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith for over 50 years. At church she was involved in the Kitchen Ministry and was known for her delectable cakes and good food. Helen sang in the Senior Choir for many years and worked with the Little Flock Ministry and the Women's Department. She was a giver of her time, her talents, and her tithes. She was known as Mother Helen Gardner who was compassionate to all people she met.

Helen Johnson met her soul mate Ulysses Gardenhire in the church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and was married in August 1, 1961. Shortly after they married, Helen and Ulysses moved to Washington, D.C. and started their family. Helen and Ulysses had five children.

Helen enjoyed cooking, sewing, singing, shopping, planning fun and exciting activities for children, being around her grandchildren, and her church family. She leaves to cherish her memories: her husband Ulysses Gardenhire, five loving children Clenda R. Gardner, Linda Gardner, Ulysses Gardner, Jr. (Wynola), Blonda C. Tillman (Marcus), and Steven Gardner (Erin); Nine grandchildren: Christina Estopare (Isaac), Ulysses Gardner III, Stephanie

Gardner, Brian Tillman, Stevenah Gardner, Vashti Tillman, Rebecca Tillman, Sadie Gardner, and Jacob Gardner, three brothers: James Johnson (Linda), Levander Johnson, and Jimmy Johnson, and two sisters: Joyce Johnson (Robert), and Gloria Johnson; a host of nieces and nephews.

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