



## Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson

December 18, 1945 - July 15, 2021

Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson, 75, of Peoria, IL, passed away at 3:20 am on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at UnityPoint Health Methodist, Peoria, IL. Ruthie was born on December 18, 1945 in Gilmore, AR to Ruben, Sr and Jannie (Jones) Johnson.

Ruthie had a strong work ethic. Over the years she worked as an Instructor at Flamingo Beauty School; she was also employed at Southwest Bell, the State Hospital and the Election Commission and as a Meter Maid for the City of Peoria. Ruthie loved her family and her extended family some of whom she helped raise. Ruthie opened up her home and heart to many who had no place to live. She was the most jovial and loquacious lady you would ever meet. She was smart and witty with great common sense. She was very crafty with DIY projects around her home. Ruthie sacrificed for her children to make sure all their needs were met. She loved Bishop Joe Johnson. He was her spiritual leader and would minister to her and her sister, Dorothy Jean at Dorothy's house where they met for Bible study.

Ruthie leaves to cherish her most precious memory three sons, Ryan (Tina) Hobson, Derrick Hobson and Brent (Audra Thomas) Johnson; three daughters, Karmen Johnson, Sharicia Johnson and Erica Johnson; four brothers, Ruben (Norma) Johnson, Willie (Karen) Johnson all of Peoria, IL, Thomas (DeEtta) Johnson of Hayward, CA and James (Doris) Johnson of

Luxora, AR; five sisters, Dorothy Johnson and Marsha (Darrell) Sprattling both of Peoria, IL, Diana Maclin of Harrisonburg, VA, Lou Johnson of Peoria, IL and Linda Johnson-Cox of Marion, AR; fifteen grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Jesse Johnson; one sister, Vera Johnson; a brother-in-law, Stan Maclin; one grandson, Randy Johnson; one granddaughter, Precious Hobson and one great grandson, Marcel Ewing.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, July 24, 2021 at Victory Christian Church with a visitation beginning at 10 am. The Host Pastor is Charles "Chuck" Brown. Bishop Joseph Johnson, Pastor of Star of Hope Full Gospel Church, will officiate. Ruthie will be laid to rest at Historic Springdale Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](https://www.SimonsMortuary.com).

The service will be live streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing and attendance limits will be observed.

In accordance with the Illinois Department of Public Health, Funerals are limited to no more than 50% of the capacity of the sanctuary or less.

To be consistent with recommendations from the National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA), funeral home directors have been instructed and should follow CDC guidelines on gatherings, including those directly related to funerals, visitations, or graveside services. Funerals are limited to no more than 50% of the decedent's immediate family members.

# Cemetery Details

## Historic Springdale Cemetery

3014 N. Prospect Road  
Peoria, IL 61603

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Victory Christian Church  
1003 E. Moneta St.  
Peoria Heights, IL 61616

## Funeral Service

JUL 24. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Victory Christian Church  
1003 E. Moneta St.  
Peoria Heights, IL 61616

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson*



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**Simons Mortuary** - July 26, 2021 at 12:07 PM



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**Simons Mortuary** - July 23, 2021 at 03:49 PM



“ *Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

AN

“ *Annettelucy sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson*



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**annettelucy** - August 08, 2021 at 01:41 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Ruthie Johnson Funeral Service*



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**Simons Mortuary** - July 26, 2021 at 12:08 PM

RW

“ *Rena Webster-Horton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson*



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**Rena Webster-Horton** - July 25, 2021 at 12:02 AM

BT

“ I’m so lost for words on this one. If u move away from people that u love and care about it’s important to go and visit I should have made time I promised her I would come back and see her u see I don’t go to P-town often but when I did Ms. Ruthie was a place I had to go 2 I didn’t care here she moved I was going to find her because she was always so loving , caring and funny I just loved her. I’m so sorry I didn’t make it back and it hurts so bad GOD is showing me somethings and I’m going to do better I’m going to miss her so much so I’m sending my condolence to the whole Johnson family my friend to the end Karmen, Ryan, Erica, Derrick, Brent and the rest of the Johnson family I’m praying for them I’m so sorry I can’t be there I’m on quarantine so my heart is heavy so Ms. Ruthie RIH until we meet again



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**brigitte thomas** - July 23, 2021 at 11:03 PM



“ Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson.



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July 23, 2021 at 12:15 AM

VK

“ To the family of Ruthie Johnson - I was saddened to learn of her passing. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. May God bless, comfort & keep you as you contend with your loss. I will always remember the fun times at Taft & Woodruff.



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**Vickie Kingcade-King** - July 22, 2021 at 01:37 PM

NL

“ Wishing you all blessings from your mother/grandmother, she is surely loving you and praying for you still. Condolences for your loss. Her spirit is alive in the love you have for each other.

*Nancy Long*

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**Nancy Long** - July 22, 2021 at 11:50 AM

TW

“ Theresa Walker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson



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**Theresa Walker** - July 21, 2021 at 09:07 PM

JB

“ Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson



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**Joanie Brown** - July 21, 2021 at 09:43 AM

RS

“ Condolences to the Johnson family! Prayers up for the strength & grant them comfort in this time of loss. Love you all!  
*The Stuckey Family*



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**Rhonda Sargent** - July 20, 2021 at 05:20 PM

MR

“ *Mattie Risby sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson*



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**Mattie Risby** - July 20, 2021 at 04:12 PM

DW

“ *As a little girl I was always in the Johnson home. Your home was my place to run to when there was no other place to go. I think Mrs Johnson knew that I was running away from something, she never sent me home those times that I was there. Memories of the Johnson kids, all of them still today gives me such joy. Mrs. Johnson was the one of the sweetest and kindness mothers of the Taft homes. When she passed I was heart broken because of the love I felt her and her family. my sincere condolences goes out to the Johnson family. Ruthie shared her mothers goodness. May they meet again on her final journey. Blessings and prayers to you all. RIH Ruthie.*



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**Donna Wilson** - July 20, 2021 at 01:50 PM

TH

“ *Tafhi Harris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson*



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**Tafhi Harris** - July 20, 2021 at 11:38 AM



“ Karen Ashby sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson



Karen Ashby - July 19, 2021 at 09:15 PM

DB

“ Dorothea Banks-Burse lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson



Dorothea Banks-Burse - July 19, 2021 at 07:57 PM

RS

“ Our prayers go out to the family and friends during this time of sorrow. Be strong in the power of His might, and know that HE will lead beside the still waters and comfort you.

Robert/Irma Costic and Sons - July 19, 2021 at 03:53 PM

AC

“ ANGELA CAUSEY-THOMPSON lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruthie Lee Johnson



ANGELA CAUSEY-THOMPSON - July 19, 2021 at 03:39 PM