



Josephine Nelson Fleming

October 3, 1954 - July 26, 2021

Josephine Nelson Fleming, 66 years, departed her earthly dwelling for her new heavenly home on July 26, 2021. She was born on October 3, 1954 in Richmond, Virginia. She was the third of four children born to the late James and Annie Young Nelson and was named after her father's sister. She was preceded in death by her sister Elva Ann Nelson and brother James Ottoway Nelson.

Josephine, affectionately known as "Jo" to many, was educated in the Richmond Public Schools, graduating from Thomas Jefferson High School, Class of 1971. After graduating, she continued her education at Howard University and Virginia Commonwealth University where she received her Bachelor of Science in Psychology. She worked as a clerk and retired as a supervisor after 25 years at the United States Postal Service.

She accepted Christ at a young age, was baptized and has been an active, lifetime member of Sixth Baptist Church. Josephine loved her church and was gifted to serve in several capacities, most notably as the Assistant Business Manager, President, Recording Secretary, Member and Honoree of The E. L. Fleming Gospel Chorus since 1971, Financial Secretary of the Young People Fellowship Ministry, Member of the Program Committee, Chairperson of The Sisterhood Ministry and in 1997 was ordained as Deaconess, where she served as President and Assistant Secretary.

Josephine married Gerald Fleming and from this union two beautiful children

were born, Darryl and Carmen. She was dedicated to whatever she was involved in and always displayed God's Fruit of the Spirit, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. She was loyal, very thoughtful and had a beautiful laugh. Serving The Lord, being a Mother, and Grandmother was the highlight of her life. She was never too busy and always had time to listen. She loved God and her family deeply.

Remaining to cherish her memory are her children, son Darryl G. Fleming; daughter Carmen N. Fleming; grandsons Zaire Massey and Eon Fleming; brother Clyde O. Nelson; sisters-in-law Rosalind W. Nelson and Winona D. Fleming, brothers-in-law Emmett Fleming, Jr. and Major Fleming, Sr.; niece Sierra Fleming; nephews Aaron J. Nelson, Sr., Emmett Fleming III, Eric Fleming, Major Fleming, Jr.; a host of loving relatives, friends, and her beloved dog, Kenney.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 5. 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of Life service with live streaming on website

AUG 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Josephine Nelson Fleming, Please Click the Link below.*



March Funeral Homes - July 29, 2021 at 10:14 AM

SA

Happy Birthday month my dear Libra friend!

sabrina - October 16, 2023 at 10:04 PM



“ *Josephine Nelson Fleming*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

DL

“ *To the family: Please accept my sincere condolences for the passing of Josephine. I had the pleasure of working at the U.S.P.S. with Josephine. She was such a kind and gentle soul. In retirement, we lose contact with each other; however, I will forever remember her. Rest In Peace. Family, lean on God. HE will take care of you all.*



Donna Love - August 05, 2021 at 04:30 PM

SS

“ Sending love and prayers of comfort to the Nelson and Fleming families. Carmen and Darryl, I was blessed by your mom's friendship for more than 60 years, from grade school to college. Throughout the years our reunions were always joyful, our phone conversations epic. I've always appreciated and admired Jo's intelligence, humor, strength, her adoration for her family and for the Lord. Her legacy of faith, family and friendship endures.



Sabrina Squire - August 04, 2021 at 02:26 PM

JW

“ To the Family of Josephine Nelson Fleming, I extend my deepest sympathies. Jo and I met during middle school and attended TJ together. Two bookworms who did not quite fit in. I was privileged to share these early school years together. Even though we didn't see each other much when we did things seemed the same. I will miss you. Rest well my friend and I will see you on the other side!



Joyce Hopkins Williams

Joyce Williams - August 03, 2021 at 07:14 PM

CP

“ I would like to give my condolences to the family ,She fought a good fight and ran a good race and now she is at peace with her Lord and Savior. The Haskins and Pleasants Family



Cloria Pleasants - August 03, 2021 at 02:02 PM

SS

“ Sabrina Squire purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Josephine Nelson Fleming.



Sabrina Squire - August 02, 2021 at 05:10 PM

VB

“ My deepest sympathy to Carmen, Darryl and all the family. I have good memories of singing with Jo in the E. L. Fleming gospel chorus and beyond. Her sweet spirit and laughter will always be remembered. Love, Veronica Beal



Veronica Beal - August 01, 2021 at 05:57 PM

SA

“ Josephine was such a nice, kind, sweet and giving person. She always cared and helped others in need. She was a great friend and knew each other since elementary school. I will truly miss her. Rest well in Paradise my dear friend, you fought a good fight, you finished the course and you kept the Faith. Our Maker met you at the Pearly Gates with His arms wide open saying: Come on In my Sister, I've been waiting for you.



Sheila Ashby - July 28, 2021 at 11:07 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - July 28, 2021 at 03:48 PM

CF

Thanks so much

Carmen Fleming - August 07, 2021 at 02:05 PM