



## Rachel Virginia Johnson

July 14, 1935 - April 9, 2023

Rachel Virginia Johnson, known as ‘Ginny’ to her beloved Eyeball, Virginia to her friends, and “Ms. Virginia” to the many who loved her.

Virginia was born on July 14, 1935 in Prince George, VA to the late Walter and Katherine Blowe. At an early age she was baptized at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, later becoming a life-long member of Rising Mount Zion Baptist Church.

In 1953, she married the love of her life, Rufus “Eyeball” Johnson. The couple relocated to Richmond, Virginia where they raised five children; Patricia, Rufus Jr., Craig, Carlton, and Charles (deceased). Ginny and Eyeball shared a beautiful love until God called Eyeball home in 2001.

Virginia was an employee of the City of Richmond until retirement. She was a member of Eastern Star #79, OES PHA, and an active member of the Red Hat Society. An excellent cross stitcher, her works of art are proudly displayed in family residences.

She was loving, loyal and compassionate with an outspoken and lively spirit; all of the characteristics that made her special. Virginia was a strong believer in family and was the glue that kept everyone together. She had a nurturing spirit and was a mother, sister, friend, and advocate to those in need. Her

heart and home were open to all, bringing together a myriad of people who bonded and became an extension of her family. Her house became the focal point for family and friends to gather.

You were always greeted with a smile. A random, friendly visit could easily turn into a party, and you never left her house hungry. The best part of it all was that you always felt welcomed and it was a place where life-time friendships were formed. This was the essence of Virginia. This was her legacy.

She was preceded in death by her parents Walter and Katherine Blowe, her beloved husband, Rufus "Eyeball" Johnson, son, Charles "Tanky" Johnson, and grandson Maurice Bailey. Left to cherish her precious memory is her devoted daughter Patricia, sons, Rufus Jr. (Debra), Craig, and Carlton (Phyllis), and her brothers James Blowe (Eugenia) and Michael Blowe (Angie). She leaves behind her 10 adoring grandchildren Darrick Burton, Kenetra Beaufort (Doug), Benton Johnson (Keiona), Shameka Washington (Kirk), Maya Johnson, Dartangnan Adams, Craig Collins (Jami), Breana Johnson, Akheem Johnson, and Craylon Johnson, and 19 great-grandchildren to continue the legacy. A host of relatives and friends, among them dedicated, Ike Taylor and Pearl Mickleberry.

If she were here, she'd say, "Don't cry for me for I've gone home to the Savior who loves and cares for me."

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Memorial Park

6217 Memorial Dr.  
Sandston, VA 23150

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

APR **20**. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Family Hour

APR **20**. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
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## Celebration of Life

APR **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
2705 Hartman St.  
Richmond, VA 23223



# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Rachel Virginia Johnson.



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April 20, 2023 at 12:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Rachel Virginia Johnson.



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April 20, 2023 at 12:12 PM



“ *Melvina Lawrence* lit a candle in memory of Rachel Virginia Johnson



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**Melvina Lawrence** - April 19, 2023 at 08:31 PM



“ *Love's Journey* was purchased for the family of Rachel Virginia Johnson.



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April 18, 2023 at 12:12 PM

VP

“ Extending my deepest condolences to the family! I consider myself bless for crossing paths with this beautiful Lady! She was always kind, and had a heart of gold❤️ She truly loved her family and was very hospitable to her guests.It’s your time to take your rest! “You are free, praise The Lord you are free”



Veronica Pollard - April 15, 2023 at 11:19 AM

JN

“ John&Marie Nelson lit a candle in memory of Rachel Virginia Johnson



John&Marie Nelson - April 14, 2023 at 04:46 PM

DA

“ Pat and Craig, my deepest condolences in the passing of your mom. Your mom was always so sweet to me. I will miss my Sunday hugs at church. May God comfort you both during this time.

Denean Anderson - April 13, 2023 at 01:36 PM

DA

“ Denean Anderson lit a candle in memory of Rachel Virginia Johnson



Denean Anderson - April 13, 2023 at 01:34 PM

JT

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Josephine Mickleberry Townsley - April 13, 2023 at 10:47 AM

JT

*You are still a shining light!*

Josephine Mickleberry Townsley - April 13, 2023 at 10:50 AM

SP

“ Sheila Cunningham Price lit a candle in memory of Rachel Virginia Johnson



Sheila Cunningham Price - April 12, 2023 at 06:56 PM

BJ

“ To my FAVORITE LADY! I LOVE YOU Grandma!!!



Benton Johnson - April 12, 2023 at 04:48 PM

BJ

“ To my FAVORITE LADY!! I LOVE YOU Grandma!!

Benton Johnson - April 12, 2023 at 04:46 PM

SW

“ Grandma you are truly the best of the best💜



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**Shameka Washington** - April 12, 2023 at 08:45 AM



“ 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - April 11, 2023 at 09:46 AM

SP

*Sincere sympathy to the Johnson family. God bless you during this time of bereavement and beyond. Sheila Cunningham Price*

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**Sheila Cunningham Price** - April 12, 2023 at 06:59 PM