

***Pallbearers***  
Family Members and Friends

***Flower Attendants***  
Deaconess, Mission & Usher's Ministries

***"Farewell My Friends"***

It was beautiful as long as it lasted, the journey of my life. I have no regrets whatsoever, save the pain I'll leave behind. Those dear hearts who love and care, and the strings pulling at the heart and soul. The strong arms that held me up, when my own strength let me down. At every turning of my life, I came across good friends, friends who stood by me, even when the time raced me by. Farewell, farewell, my friends, I smile and bid you goodbye. No, shed no tears for I need them not, all I need is your smile. If you feel sad do think of me, for that's what I'll like when you live in the hearts of those you love, remember then you never die.

***Acknowledgement***

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral spray, if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all; just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, We thank you very much whatever the part, May God bless each you.

- The family of the late Alfreda Simmons Johnson

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# A CELEBRATION *Of Life*



***Alfreda Elaine Simmons Johnson***

February 12, 1949 — August 18, 2015

Service

11:00 AM, Friday, August 28, 2015

***Abyssinia Missionary Baptist Church***

10325 Interstate Center Drive

Jacksonville, Florida 32218

Rev. Dr. Eugene W. Diamond, Officiating

## *Life Reflections*

*The Lord gave, and the Lord Hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.*

*Job 1:21*

**Sister Alfreda Elaine Simmons Johnson**, was born on February 12, 1949 to the late Alvin Simmons and Mattie Lee Simmons. Alfreda was raised in Jacksonville, Florida and attended the local schools in Duval County. She worked for Atlantic Bank for over 20 years.

**Alfreda** birthed two boys, later met and married Bobby Johnson and in that union she took on four more children and treated them as they were her very own.

**Alfreda** departed this life on Tuesday, August 18, 2015, she was preceded in death by her parents, Alvin and Mattie Lee Simmons; brother, Ricky Simmons; sister, Ruth Knowles; she also had a daughter, whom preceded her in death on August 21, 2004.

**Alfreda** leaves to mourn, her husband Bobby Johnson; nine children, Eric Simmons, Jason Johnson, Ricky Johnson, Steven Johnson, Darren Johnson (Tiffany), Phylis Johnson, Leann Refore, Bobby Johnson, and Jeffrey Johnson; sisters, Cynthia Johnson, and Renee Young; brothers, Joseph Simmons, Leonard Simmons; godmother, Walter Mae “Bunch” Stewart; god sister, Rasha “Cookie” Sullivan; fourteen grandchildren, Darren Baldwin, Stephen Johnson, Eric Simmons, Charde Lester, Adrien Johnson, Deandre Lester, Darren Johnson, Chianne Lester, Emeri Simmons, Jason-Triston Johnson, Nevaeh Johnson, Ryland-Jace Johnson, Brandon Refore, Nakia Ingram; two great-grandchildren, Aidan Decker, Shanel Barkley, and a host of other relatives and friends. Special thank you to Gloria Dumas and Eva Cannon.

## *Order of Service*

*Minister Richard Black, Presiding*

Processional ..... “When The Saints Go Marching In”

Selection ..... Choir

Scripture:

Old Testament ..... Pastor James Sapp

New Testament ..... Bishop Jamell

Sapp

Invocation ..... Minister Linda Scott

Selection ..... Choir

Words of Comfort ..... Eugene W. Diamond, Senior Pastor

Solo ..... Ms. Tiffany Johnson

Acknowledgements ..... Minister Richard Black

Resolutions ..... Sister Fannie L. Morton

Remarks ..... (2 Minutes Please)

Ronnie Sapp

Evelyn Kimbrough

Joanne Townsend

Recessional

## *Interment*

Restlawn Cemeteries  
2600 Ribault Scenic Drive  
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