



Helen Irene James

FEB 26, 1951 - FEB 7, 2021



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The House Of Johnson
Funeral Home

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Helen Irene James was born to Wilbert and Helen Maxine James on February 26, 1951. Helen was the third oldest child.

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Helen loved to bake!! She made the BEST German Chocolate Cakes, Cheesecakes, Pound Cakes and Fudge Brownies all from scratch!

She enjoyed traveling and being around her family and friends. Helen was a devoted mother and grandmother.

Helen leaves to cherish her memory, her son; Jonathan Sr., beloved grandchildren; Kayla, Jonathan Jr, Kennedy and Vision, a loving sister Alberta Ford, sister-in-law; Bernice James in addition to a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, sisters in love and good friends.

Helen was preceded in death by her father; Wilbert James Sr., mother; Helen Maxine James, brothers; Wilbert James Jr, Charles James Sr. and Johnny James Sr. in addition to sister-in-law; LaBertha James and brother-in-law; Charles Edward Ford Sr.

Helen has gone on to join the heavenly family so let us let us rejoice in her homegoing to the Kingdom of Heaven.



Events

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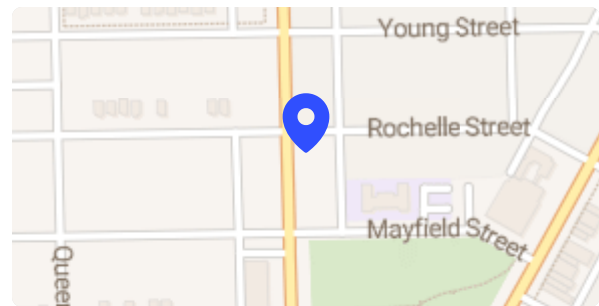
Visitation

 **Wednesday**, February 17, 2021

 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET


 **The House of Johnson Funeral Home- Detroit Chapel**

12540 Hayes, Detroit MI 48205



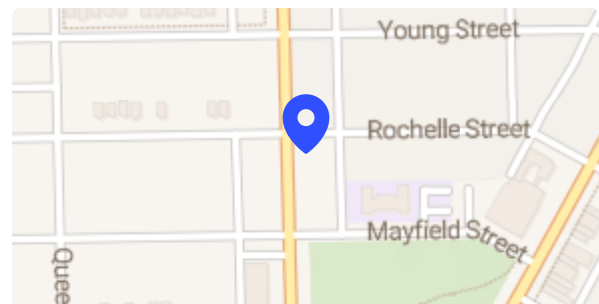
Family Hour

 **Thursday**, February 18, 2021

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **The House of Johnson Funeral Home- Detroit Chapel**

12540 Hayes, Detroit MI 48205



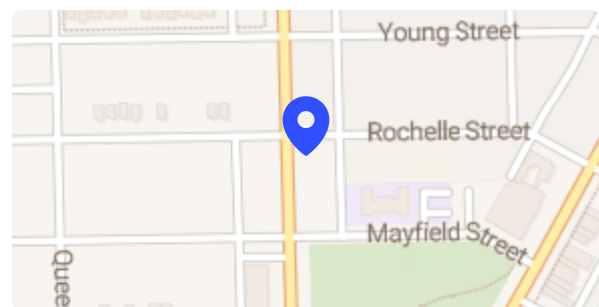
Funeral Service

 **Thursday**, February 18, 2021

 11:00 AM ET

 **The House of Johnson Funeral Home- Detroit Chapel**

12540 Hayes, Detroit MI 48205





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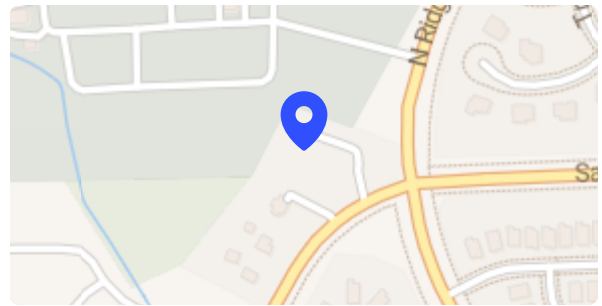
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Cemetery Details



Knollwood Cemetery

1299 North Ridge Road, Canton MI 48187





Tribute Wall

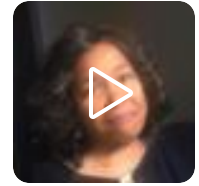
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The House Of Johnson Funeral Home shared a **Webcast Video**.

February 17 at 12:23 PM



The House Of Johnson Funeral Home shared an album called **Obituary**.

November 2 at 12:28 PM



Linda Brantley posted:

To The James Family form the Todd Family we are sending you prayers and heart felt condolences we Love you and Bless your family with the spirit of the Lord to guide you through these life changing times. Amen

February 18 at 7:47 AM



Media

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February 17 at 12:23 PM



Rhonda Kay February 18 at 7:27 AM

I will miss Helen. She and I share a special bond sharing grandchildren. She was the most caring, loving, kind, calm person I've ever known. She was an amazing grandmother to our grandchildren and I thank God for her. May God's peace comfort and keep my Johnathan, the grandchildren, and the James family. Love Mimi



The House Of Johnson Funeral Home shared 2 photos to the Obituary album.

November 2 at 12:28 PM

PALLBEARERS
 Elphie Porter, Karen James, Jr.,
 Charles Ford, Jr., Wilbert Ford, Jr.,
 Charles Johnson, Jr., James Johnson

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
 Jonathan Overell, Jr., Jonathan Overell, Jr.,
 Charles James, Jr., Johnny James, Jr.,
 Harold James, Jr., Harold James, Jr.

FLOWER BEARERS
 Friends of the Family

INTERMENT
 Highland Cemetery
 Clinton, Michigan

ACKNOWLEDGMENT
 The family of the late Helen Irene James wishes to acknowledge, with deep appreciation, the many comforting messages, floral tributes, and many other expressions of kindness and concern of the time in thought and deed. May God comfort us in love and keep each of you.

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Summer: February 24, 2021 Sunset: February 7, 2021

*Celebrating
 The
 Life
 Of*

Helen Irene James

Thursday, February 11, 2021
 Family Hour: 10:00 A.M. Service: 12:00 P.M.

The House of Johnson Funeral Home
 6300 Wayne
 Detroit, Michigan 48202
 Rev. Kevin B. Linton, officiating

Obituary

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Helen loves to cherish her memory, her son, Jonathan Sr., beloved grandchildren, Kaitia, Jonathan Jr., Kennedy and Valen, a loving sister Alberta Ford, sister-in-law Bernice James in addition to a host of friends, neighbors, cousins, aunts, nieces and good friends.

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*I am the resurrection and the life;
 he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
 and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.*
 John 11:25-26

Order of Service

Prebute: _____ Mexican

Processional: _____ Clergy, Family & Friends

Prayer: _____ Reverend Mark Staton

Scripture of Comfort: _____

Final Viewing: _____

Remarks and Expression of Love: _____ Family and Friends

Acknowledgments, Cards, Telegrams: _____ James James

Eulogy: _____ Pastor Kevin B. Mack

Recessional: _____ Clergy, Family and Friends

Postlude: _____ Mexican

Choir:
 You can shed tears that she is gone, or you can smile because she has lived.
 You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back,
 or you can open your eyes and see all she's left.
 Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,
 or you can be full of the love you shared.
 You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
 or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.
 You can remember only that she is gone,
 or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.
 You can cry and close your mind, be empty and have your back,
 or you can do what she would want, smile, open your eyes, love and go on."

Drivers in the funeral procession, please turn on your headlights for safety.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Helen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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