



Mrs. JoAnn Powers

July 30, 1947 - June 18, 2014

Celebrating The Life Of JoAnn Powers:

JoAnn (Barnes) Powers was born July 30, 1947, in Detroit, Michigan to Joseph Oden and Julia-Mae Davis, also raised by her stepfather Allen Barnes.

JoAnn graduated from Eastern High School.

JoAnn leaves to cherish her life and memories: two brothers, Joseph and Cornelius; one sister, Beverly; two sons, Joseph (Dorothy) and Gary (Marquita); one daughter Catherine; six grandchildren, Elijah, Nashae, Cierra, Lauren, Solomon, Carlos; her lifelong best friend, Malinda Sims; many cousins, nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends. She went on to marry Bernard Powers, gained a daughter Danielle and many loving grandchildren.

She was a member at Highest Praise Church of God in Christ where her passion for hospitality led her to serve in the usher ministry.

JoAnn worked for more than 30 years for the election commission. She returned to school in her fifties to pursue a nursing career which prepared her for taking care of her mother at home when she became terminally ill.

Most known for her caring spirit, she remembered everyone's birthday, anniversary or milestone. She also made sure to get everyone a Christmas gift well in advance, often shopping as early as summer. Her adventurous, energetic spirit drew others to her like a magnet. If there was a party, the sunshine was wherever she was dancing.

Family centered to the core, she often cooked, hosted and initiated large gatherings. In 2011, after enjoying the Love-Cook family reunion, she volunteered herself and volunteered her daughter to be a part of the 2013 Detroit planning committee. It was extremely important to keep her family close.

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Jun. **27**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour

Saturday, Jun. **28**. 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

Saturday, Jun. **28**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. JoAnn Powers*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *The Sims Family, Praying for the family of JoAnn Powers. She was a phenomenon women, she my cousin, my mother, and my best friend. I prayed that God will strengthen her family and guide them through all there pains and sorrow.*

Theresa Sims - June 27, 2014 at 09:22 AM



“ *To Catherine and the entire family and loved ones of Mrs. Joann Powers, you have my sincerest love and condolences at this time. It's never easy but know that she is resting in GOD's hands now. Let the joy of Our Lord be your strength.*

Ursula Ace

Ursula Ace - June 27, 2014 at 09:19 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Powers.*



June 27, 2014 at 08:55 AM

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“ I thank God for allowing me to be apart of your life. You are such a sweet person who could keep a smile on someone's face. Just a sweet spirit! Thank you for allowing me to call you Aunt! Love you Jo!!!! Rest well! I will be there to celebrate your life!

My deepest condolences to my extended family, my prayers are with you and May God continue to comfort you.

“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.” Psalm 34:18

Phyllis

Phyllis Youngblood - June 27, 2014 at 05:36 AM



“ Sympathy Fruits Abound was purchased for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Powers.



June 27, 2014 at 12:39 AM

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“ Catherine, you and your family will remain in my prayers. May God give you the strength that you need to get through this difficult time.

Wendy M Murray - June 26, 2014 at 10:06 PM



“ Love you aunt Jody you always made me laugh and was the sweetest person I know rest in paradise I will hustle for you we all know your favorite one :) miss you much Nicole a.k a lacole "insider" love u

Nicole Librascales - June 26, 2014 at 07:33 PM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Powers.



June 23, 2014 at 06:54 AM



“ Our deepest heartfelt sympathy to the Barnes/Powers/Martinez family.. If theres something you need please let us know... We love you. Clara Nixon and Kim

Kim Nixon- Butler - June 22, 2014 at 09:22 AM



“ My deepest condolences to my extended family. Please dont hesitate to use me during your time of bereavement. I love u ALL!!

Kitty Nixon Ellis - June 21, 2014 at 04:41 PM