



## Juanita Johnkins

January 22, 1942 - April 22, 2018

Juanita Ferguson Johnkins, age 76, transitioned from this life on April 22, 2018 at Sweetwater Hospital, Sweetwater, Tn. She was the daughter of the late Frank Leon and Alice Hanks Ferguson. She is preceded in death by two sisters, Alice and Helene and four brothers, Charles, Arthur, Clarence , Don, William Howard Ferguson.

Juanita attended High Point High School in Sweetwater, Tn. She devoted her life to being a wife and mother to nine children, including six daughters and three sons. "Momma" has been a devoted grandmother to 32 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren. She impacted many strangers, friends, and family. Many in the community knew her home as a place to go and were always welcomed as part of the family. She earned the love and respect of so many who cherished her kindness and generosity.

Survivors include: John Johnkins, husband of 55 years, six daughters, Lori Johnkins, Michelle Johnkins, Sonya (Benny) Fain, Sabrina Johnkins , Brandy (Cornelieus "CJ") Black (Sweetwater, Tn. ) Pamela (Joseph) Smith (Atlanta, Ga) and three sons Gary "Duke" Johnkins, Nicholas "Nick" (Candice) Johnkins (Sweetwater, Tn.) Christopher "Scotty" Johnkins (Atlanta, Ga). One brother, James Alvin Ferguson and two sisters Joanne Fike and Mary Brownlee, Sweetwater, Tn. Sisters-in-Law Loretta Ferguson, Bonita (Ferguson) Smith, Athens, Tn. Brother-in-law Jerome (Odean) Johnkins, Sisters-in-Laws Lucy Brown, Josephine Johnkins, and Tabitha Smith, all of Athens, Tn. Special devoted friend and sister-in-law Naomi Johnkins, and special friend and

Cousin Sandra Hawkins; A host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Funeral services will be held at Kyker Funeral Home, Sweetwater, Tn. Family and friends will be received on Sunday, April 29, 2018 1:00-3:00 p.m., funeral services to immediately follow at 3:00 p.m. The Reverend Terry Lynn Jordan, Alcoa, Tennessee will be officiating. Interment to follow in the Sweetwater Memorial Park. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. [www.kykerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **29**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Juanita Johnkins*



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**Kyker Funeral Home** - April 27, 2018 at 04:41 PM



“ *Today is your birthday you would have been 83 years old, Mama I just want you to know I love you and I miss you so so much!*

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**Teiyaria(Granddaughter)** - January 22, 2025 at 08:33 AM



“ *38 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Kyker Funeral Home** - April 27, 2018 at 03:36 PM

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*To the Johnkins family, our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Kathy Brown and family*

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**Kathy Brown** - April 29, 2018 at 11:46 AM

DS

*To my Johnkins / Ferguson family, it has taken me a moment to come to grips that I will not hear Nits voice or see her pretty face until I see her in heaven.*

*I know your pain, I feel your pain, and I regret that I am not there to hold and comfort each and everyone of you and to assure you that your tears will turn into smiles when she surrounds you. You will feel her warmth and love.*

*Juanita loved you so much, she lived her life for you, all of you. She was a great mother, cousin and friend.*

*She always gave me comfort since I was a child, with her stories, her gift of gab and her wits. I will miss Nit calling my name and telling me how spoiled the babies are when we talked to each other.*

*God places his angels where they fit the best and Nits place was with all of you, he knew she would spread love and kindness. She was so proud of you.*

*You are of her, love and take care of one another,*

*I love you,*

*Diana*

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**Diana Santos** - May 01, 2018 at 12:57 PM

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“ *To the Johnkins Family,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.  
Doug Thompson*

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**Doug Thompson** - April 26, 2018 at 11:09 AM

ER

“ *Michelle and family,  
I am so sorry for the loss of your Mother. I  
love you.  
Emmie Robinson*



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**Emmie Robinson** - April 26, 2018 at 08:49 AM