



Patra J. Marshall

May 28, 1947 - July 16, 2024

Patra Ann Johnson Gant Marshall was born on May 28, 1947, in Kerrville, Tennessee. She was the seventh child of ten born to Julia Bell Johnson and Joel Johnson. Her roots were deeply intertwined with Bethlehem Baptist Church in Millington, TN, where she was baptized and remained an active member until her move to Georgia. Despite leaving Tennessee in the late 1980s, Patra continued to make annual pilgrimages to Bethlehem Baptist Church whenever her health allowed. Her unwavering connection to her childhood friends was evident through these visits, even as she faced health challenges. Patra's commitment to education knew no bounds. She completed her formal schooling in Tennessee, including her graduation from Woodstock High School. But her thirst for knowledge persisted. In her forties, she earned her Associates in Arts and Literature, proving that one is never too old to learn, adapt, and grow. Her courage extended beyond academia. Patra authored a book of poems that eloquently captured her experiences of the world—through family, friends, faith, and a deep desire to uplift the disenfranchised. These poems found their place on the shelves of public libraries and even influenced court proceedings, where they were used during opening and closing statements to advocate for the rights of the marginalized. Patra Marshall's legacy lives on through her children and grandchildren. She leaves behind her son, Steven Cornell Gant (born in 1970), and her daughter, Tamisha LaShay Gant (born in 1974). Her five grandchildren—Soloman Gant, Sierra Gant, Justice Gant, Elijah Gant, and Naomi Gant—carry forward her

spirit and love. Surviving Patra are her two sisters: Minister Josephine Thaxton and Carol Johnson. Additionally, she leaves behind a network of nephews, nieces, cousins, and lifelong friends — a testament to the bonds she forged throughout her remarkable life.

May her memory be a source of comfort and inspiration to all who knew her.

Cemetery Details

Georgia National Cemetery

1080 Scott Hudgens Drive
Canton, Ga 30114

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 24. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy
Decatur, GA 30034
(404) 241-5656

Celebration of Life

JUL 25. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

JUL 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Patra J. Marshall.*



July 24, 2024 at 10:12 AM



“ *Deepest sympathies to the family of Patra J.G. Marshall.*

Carl W. Brown, OMAHA, NEBRASKA, fmr classmate of Patra at E.A. HARROLD & WOODSTOCK HIGH SCHOOL.

Carl Brown - July 23, 2024 at 10:01 PM



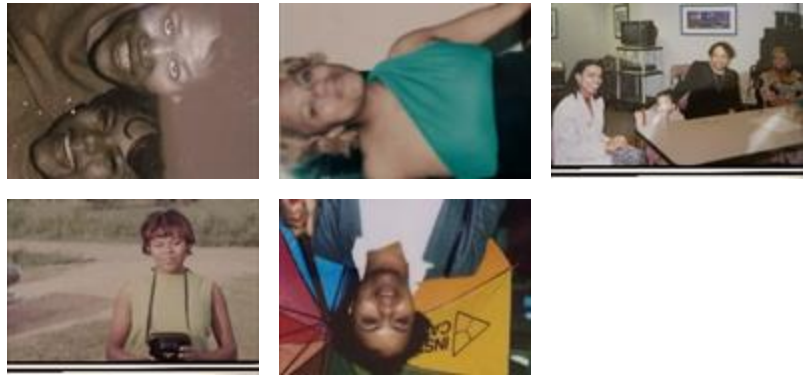
“ *Naomi, Derek, & Khala purchased the Calm & Comfort Bouquet for Sympathy - Florist Choice for the family of Patra J. Marshall.*



Naomi, Derek, & Khala - July 23, 2024 at 03:10 PM

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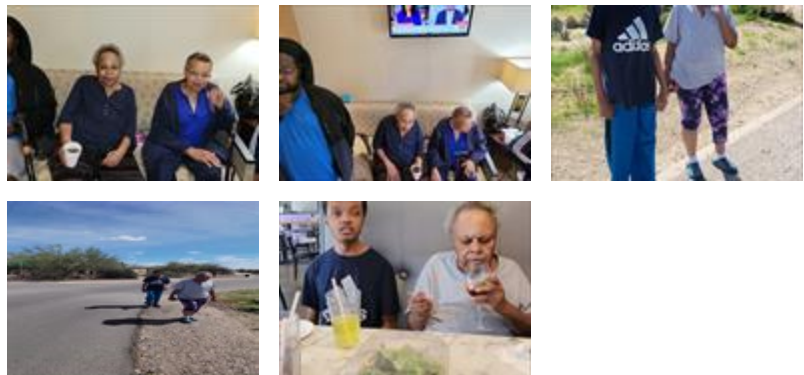
“ 24 files added to the tribute wall



Son - July 18, 2024 at 05:28 PM

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“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Tamisha Gant - July 18, 2024 at 03:21 PM