



Dianne Theresa Johnson Ramsey

October 25, 2021

Ms. Dianne Theresa Johnson Ramsey departed this life peacefully on October 25, 2021 after losing her battle related to Vascular Dementia at the age of 72. She was born on March 28, 1949. Dianne was born, raised, and resided in New Orleans, Louisiana. She was preceded in death by her father, Wilmer C. Johnson, Jr. and mother, Clara S. Johnson; sister, Dr. Linda J. Stelly; brothers Wilmer C. Johnson, III and Michael Johnson, Sr. (Alice).

Dianne is survived by her children Letreion Ramsey Clements (Derrick) and Neifa Hardy (Andrell). She is also survived by 5 grandchildren, Janay (Justin), Morris (Trenecia), Dylan, Alexa, Conner. 7 great-grandchildren, Jameire, Jayleigh, Jules Jaylen, Kaydence, Karter and Karson. Uncle, Joseph Simmons; Brother-In-Law, Joseph H. Stelly; Niece, Kaira S. Whitmore (Dondrell); Nephews, Duane Stelly, Bryan Johnson, Michael Johnson, Jr. (Janella) and a host of other relatives and friends.

Dianne's early education included graduating from Lockett Elementary School and Joseph S. Clark Sr. High School. Prior to her work in education, Dianne briefly worked on the Pediatric Unit at Baptist Hospital as a Pediatric Respiratory Therapist. She continued her passion in healthcare as a private care Geriatric Specialist before beginning her career in education. She began a lifelong journey through education in New Orleans Public Schools (NOPS) as a Special Education Paraprofessional at Dannell Elementary, Live Oak Elementary, Fortier High School, and Lafayette Elementary School. Seeing that she was not done in her devotion to helping others, she returned to

healthcare and volunteered at Kingsley House providing professional geriatric services that touched many seniors and families in New Orleans.

One of Dianne's favorite times of year was Mardi Gras season. Frequently you would see her running after floats and catching beads at any of the many parades she attended, but her favorite role in Mardi Gras was riding and participating in the Zulu parade. She was a member of the Zulu Social Aid & Pleasure Club and actively rode the Governor's Float for 4 years. She was a creative soul and painting, drawing, and craft-making came easy, so naturally when she painted coconuts for the world to enjoy, she took extreme pride in her work.

Dianne's friends all knew of her love for animals. She was concerned for the well-being of domestic and wild animals alike. This love for animals was evident in the way she cared and loved her beloved dogs, cats, birds, and many animals in the neighborhood. But her favorite role was being a mother to her children and caring for her family. Thank you everyone for the outpouring of love, prayers, and support. We are proud to honor her with a life well-loved and lived!

Dr. Maya Angelou once said, "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend Memorial Service at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 8321 Burthe Street, New Orleans Louisiana 70118 on Friday, November 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.(Mass); 9:30 a.m.

(Memorial). Repass services will follow mass at 12:00 p.m. at the Crystal Magnolia Country Club, 7221 Curran Blvd. New Orleans, Louisiana.

Cremation by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the online guestbook.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church
8321 Burthe St.
New Orleans, LA, LA 70118

Tribute Wall

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“ *Diane always had a friendly smile and kind attitude toward everyone she met. To me, she was best known for her blessed goodness through her beloved sister and my dear friend Dr. Linda Johnson Stelly.*

Deepest sympathy to Diane's children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews and entire family whom she generously loved dearly. RIP, Diane.

Dr. Brenda Garibaldi Hatfield

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