



## Johnnie Mae Houston

February 3, 1932 - April 6, 2023

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Johnnie Mae Penn Houston, 91 of Austin, Texas passed away April 6, 2023.

Johnnie was born

February 3, 1932 in Bartlett, Texas to Johnnie H. Penn and Katherine Rivers Penn. She was the first of three children born to this union. As the daughter of a deacon who was later called into the gospel ministry Johnnie accepted Christ at an early age at the Twelfth Street Baptist Church, Austin, Texas.

Often, she fondly remembered her years at the Original L. C. Anderson High School from which she graduated and was a member of the dance team. In 1953 she committed to a lifelong matrimony; Johnnie married Raymond L. Houston. God blessed this union of 58 years with six children. After marriage Johnnie became a member of David Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. In 1996 Johnnie moved her membership to Mt. Zion Baptist Church, where she was a deaconess, a member of Hannah Circle and the Adult Sunday School Class. Her favorite bible verse was Exodus 20:12 – "Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee." Her favorite songs were: "Amazing Grace", "I Know The Lord Will Make A Way",

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”, “Precious Lord”, “Walk Around Heaven”, “God Is”, and “God Has Smiled On Me”.

Having her mother as a role model, as the matriarch of her family, she was a model of impeccable style and grace. She softly portrayed what and how a daughter, sister, mother, grandmother, aunt, cousin and friend should walk from day to day. Johnnie had a green thumb and loved working in her yard tending to her precious plants. However, her most memorable labor of love share with her family was her down home cooking, most notably her baking skills. She was affectionately known as "MeMaw", "Aunt Mae Mae" and "Aunt Johnnie".

Never shy of work Johnnie was a self-employed seamstress, and was later employed by Singers Sewing Company. In 1974 she pursued a career with The Texas Railroad Commission where she was the first African American employee of the commission. After 21 years of service at the Texas Railroad Commission and in August 1995 she retired.

Not without heartaches, she was preceded in death by her parents Rev. J. H. Penn and Katherine Penn, her husband, Raymond Houston; her siblings, sister, Viola Penn Guyton; brother, Bennie Roy Penn, Sr. and her granddaughter, Tamaran Dancy.

Included to share her precious memories her children, Sandra Claiborne of San Pedro, CA; Clayton Houston (Beverly) of Manor, TX; Vincent Houston (Pamela) of Austin, TX; Darrell Houston, of Pflugerville, TX; Marcia Houston of Austin, TX and Donna Houston of Pflugerville, TX; seven granddaughters, five grandsons; five great granddaughters; four great grandsons and one great-great granddaughter. Good Friend, Ms. Levora Penn; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. Psalm 100:4.

# Cemetery Details

## Cook-Walden Capital Parks

14501 IH 35  
Pflugerville, TX 78660

# Previous Events

## PUBLIC VIEWING FOLLOWING CDC GUIDELINES

APR **16**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
2938 E 13th Street  
Austin, TX 78702

## Celebration Service

APR **17**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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2938 E 13th Street  
Austin, TX 78702

# Tribute Wall



“ *Johnnie Mae Houston*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss. We are praying for the family.*

**Arthur and Anderson** - April 19, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *Tori Obey-Punchard lit a candle in memory of Johnnie Mae Houston*



**Tori Obey-Punchard** - April 16, 2023 at 10:48 PM



“ *To Clay Houston, I'm very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your Family at this time.*  
*Maryan Miranda*



**maryan M.** - April 16, 2023 at 02:52 PM

JB

“ We send our condolences to the Houston family. We are praying for you all.  
~The Broaders Family~



**Jimmie Broaders** - April 15, 2023 at 03:05 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



**A Life Celebration by Franklin** - April 14, 2023 at 11:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of *Johnnie Mae Houston*.



April 14, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Sharalyn Taylor* lit a candle in memory of *Johnnie Mae Houston*



**Sharalyn Taylor** - April 14, 2023 at 10:14 AM



*Prayers and condolences to the Houston family and friends.*

**Sharalyn Taylor** - April 14, 2023 at 10:15 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Johnnie Mae Houston.*



April 13, 2023 at 03:38 PM



“ *Mema was a beautiful soul inside and out, full of love and faith; she has ascended to heaven, away from us, but closer to God, leaving loneliness and sadness. I give my condolences to the entire family. May God rest her soul and bring all comfort during this time. She is forever loved and cherished.*

**Brittany Elam Harris** - April 13, 2023 at 01:24 PM



“ *Carolyn and Vincent Moore Sr light a candle for Mother Johnnie Mae Houston. Heartfelt condolences and prayers for the Houston family. ❤️🙏*



**Carolyn and Vincent Moore Sr** - April 11, 2023 at 06:47 PM

CD

“ *Charlene Deeton lit a candle in memory of Johnnie Mae Houston*



Charlene Deeton - April 11, 2023 at 06:52 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Johnnie Mae Houston.*



April 10, 2023 at 09:47 AM



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A Life Celebration by Franklin - April 08, 2023 at 07:38 PM

CJ

*I send my deepest condolences to the Houston family.*

Cheryl A. Johnson - April 09, 2023 at 06:00 PM

EB

*Sending prayers and sincere condolences to the Houston family.*

Erica Brewington - April 17, 2023 at 09:20 AM

ED

*To the Houston Family, your mother was a very Special Lady! She will definitely be missed, praying for the ENTIRE HOUSTON FAMILY.....My Condolences*

Evelyn Dibbles - April 17, 2023 at 09:54 PM

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*To the Houston Family, your mother was a very Special Lady! She will definitely be missed, praying for the ENTIRE HOUSTON FAMILY.....My Condolences*

Evelyn Dibbles - April 17, 2023 at 09:58 PM

DC

“ *My condolences to Marcia Houston, Vince Houston and the entire Houston Family. Hold on to God's unchanging hands and he will see you through.*

Dolores Collins - April 08, 2023 at 01:14 PM

JW

“ *Our deepest condolences to the family. You will always remain in our hearts. Great memories and phone conversations. So glad that we enjoyed our family's reunions. Rest in peace and join our ancestors. Will meet again on the other side. Love you MaeMae💕.May God accept your soul.*

*Larry n Juanita Penn Westbrook*

Juanita Penn Westbrook - April 08, 2023 at 12:41 PM

WJ

“ *To the family, I send you my sincere condolences for your Mom's passing. May God keep you all in good spirits my family, to your family we are praying for you all.*

Wesley Jackson - April 08, 2023 at 12:02 PM

DH

*My family sends its deepest condolences to the family of such a sweet and precious woman. She will be missed but has been given a well-deserved rest from the troubles of this world. Deborah Davis-Harper*

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**Deborah Harper** - April 13, 2023 at 03:55 PM

TC

“ *Memaw I will miss all the good times we shared ❤️. You will NEVER be forgotten. Now take your rest. I love you 💕*

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**Tonyette Cummings** - April 07, 2023 at 01:43 PM