



Mrs. Joan Blair

January 12, 1953 - October 21, 2024

Joan Darnelle Blair, the daughter of the late Bessie Burke Holley, was born on January 12, 1953 in Chowan County, North Carolina. She departed this life on Monday, October 21, 2024 surrounded by her loving family.

After graduating from John A. Holmes High School, Joan attended Elizabeth City State University, where she completed a Bachelor of Science degree in social work (1976). Joan also completed professional licensure and served as an insurance agent for Winston Mutual Insurance. This latter professional venture placed her alongside her husband, Wayne, within the family's mortuary service business. Joan also spent the tenure of her professional life in service to Edenton-Chowan Schools. Joan's professional service in this district included substitute teacher, guidance counselor and social casework manager.

Beyond professional life, Joan maintained a very active civic life and affiliated with a number of organizations such as the NAACP, Civic League, Oak Leaf Elk Lodge and the Order of Eastern Star. As a dedicated follower of Christ, she was a long-term member of Providence Missionary Baptist Church, where she joined as a child.

During her life, Joan was a devoted wife and mother. She was pre-deceased by Wayne, her husband of fifty-three years. She was also pre-deceased by

the couple's oldest child, a son, Derrick. Joan leaves behind a loving and devoted family which includes daughters, Tonya and Asia and "god granddaughter," Shaqueta. She is also survived by four sisters: Phyllis Nixon, Beatrice Elaine Campbell, Sharon Green and Mary McGee (Marvin). Surviving brothers include: Willie Holley (Paula), Earl Holley (Nancy) and Steve Holley. Additional family members include god daughter Latoya Jernigan and "honorary" godson Rev. Dr. Darius Horton. Lastly, Joan leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.

Cemetery Details

Beaver Hill Cemetery

Edenton, NC 27932

Previous Events

Viewing/Visitation

OCT **25**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Blair and Congleton Memorial Funeral Services, Inc
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Edenton, NC 27932
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Celebration of Life Service

OCT **26**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Providence Baptist Church
214 W. Church Street
Edenton, NC 27932

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Congleton Memorial Mortuary - October 28, 2024 at 10:13 AM

SP

“ *Thoughts and prayers for your family.
Shirley Perry-Griffin*

Shirley Perr-Griffin - October 26, 2024 at 09:17 PM

RC

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you all at this
time. Rosa Carter and Family*



Rosa Carter - October 26, 2024 at 10:23 AM

BH

“ *Barbara Hollis-Carr lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Joan Blair*



Barbara Hollis-Carr - October 25, 2024 at 08:33 PM

LH

“ *Latoya Hayes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



Latoya Hayes - October 25, 2024 at 07:13 PM

AH

“ *Antoinette Holley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



Antoinette Holley - October 25, 2024 at 11:10 AM

JM

“ *Janie McCloud lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



Janie McCloud - October 25, 2024 at 08:20 AM

CS

“ *Cecily Sene lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



Cecily Sene - October 25, 2024 at 01:41 AM

PB

“ *Patricia Britt-Stallings lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



Patricia Britt-Stallings - October 24, 2024 at 09:46 PM

MN

“ *Asia and Blair Family
Words sometimes can't express what one is experiencing when someone they love transitions from mortal to immortality, but we have confidence knowing that God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in times of trouble. Look to Him for your source of Comfort, Strength, and Peace now in the days weeks, and months ahead. I will always cherish the moments I shared with them when I visited your parents and the business. You have my Deepest Sympathy.*



Milton" Monk" Bryant- Williamston, NC - October 24, 2024 at 10:42 AM

DN

“ *You had a beautiful spirit and always encouraged me through your faith in God!*



Deidre Nixon - October 24, 2024 at 09:18 AM

JM

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Jones Blair.*



Johnnie E Mizelle - October 23, 2024 at 02:39 PM

JM

“ *I shall always remember our conversations during Wayne's illness. Her strength in the Lord was phenomenal.*

Johnnie E Mizelle - October 23, 2024 at 02:38 PM

HD

“ *Hazel Brown Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



Hazel Brown Davis - October 23, 2024 at 12:23 PM

EH

“ *My Condolences And Prayers Are With The Family*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - October 23, 2024 at 10:28 AM

DA

“ *Donnie Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



Donnie Andrews - October 23, 2024 at 09:28 AM

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“ *Donnie Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



Donnie Andrews - October 23, 2024 at 09:25 AM

DW

“ *David & Mary Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Blair*



David & Mary Williams - October 22, 2024 at 06:36 PM

CS

“ *Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolences on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.*



Congleton and Blair Funeral Home and Sta - October 22, 2024 at 04:29 PM