



## Leta Faye Johnston

April 27, 1942 - February 1, 2023

Leta Faye (Griffin) Johnston of Raytown, MO, passed away at Kansas City Hospice and Palliative Care on February 1, 2023.

She was born April 27, 1942, in Goodson, MO, to Virgil and Laura (Rice) Griffin. She graduated from Halfway High School, Halfway, MO, in the class of 1960. She attended Longview Community College. She was a member of Goodson Missionary Baptist Church in Goodson, MO.

Her life's career was spent working for the United States Federal Government, retiring from the Department of Energy.

She and her sister formed Heartland Express Bluegrass and Gospel Band and performed regionally for 27 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Virgil and Laura Griffin and brother, Wilbur Dale Griffin.

Left to cherish beautiful memories of her are her son, Derick A. Johnston; grandson, Austin Johnston-Ward; granddaughter, Caitlynn Johnston-Ward; brother, Ray (Marilyn) Griffin; sister, Lela (Len) Peeples; sister-in-law, Florene Griffin and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, at 1:00 PM in

Greenwood Cemetery, Bolivar, Missouri

# Previous Events

## Graveside

FEB 7. 1:00 PM (CT)

Greenwood Cemetery  
S. Dunnegan Ave.  
Bolivar, MO 65613

# Tribute Wall



“ *Leta Faye Johnston*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Leta Faye Johnston.*



February 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Reflections of Gratitude Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Leta Faye Johnston.*



February 05, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *Ray, Marilyn, Lela, Len and Derick, Leta will always be in our hearts and memories. Thinking of you in these difficult times. Patsy and Mike Harrison*

**Mike and Patsy Harrison** - February 05, 2023 at 12:11 PM

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“ To Leta's Family...I'm so sorry for your great loss. She was a wonderful friend & classmate. She introduced me to "snipe hunting " on one of our high school sleepovers. Just one of many memories. Sadly, I will be unable to attend her services due to a family commitment out of town. My sincere sympathies to all if you.  
Beverly Boren

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**Beverly Boren** - February 04, 2023 at 09:31 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of Leta Faye Johnston.



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February 04, 2023 at 03:35 PM