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## **MINNIE LEE JOHNS**



Minnie Lee Wainwright Johns, 81, of Callahan, a lifetime resident of Jacksonville, went home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on January 25, 2022, at Baptist Medical Center with her loving family by her side. Minnie was born in Florida on June 13,

1940, to the late Rev. Alton B. Wainwright and Sarah Lee Ellison Wainwright. She spent a few years in Macclenny, before relocating to Jacksonville where she spent the majority of her life. Minnie attended Paxon High School and shortly after school she married the love of her life, George W. Johns on June 18, 1960. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother, sister and friend to so many.

For over 20 years she traveled to St. Mary's, Georgia where she owned and operated Sarah's Produce. She then managed Minnie's Flower Corner in Jacksonville for over 20 years, until starting her career at Home Depot. Minnie loved people, helping others and had a joyful spirit. She was a greeter, sales associate, store mother and flower specialist at Home Depot for 21 years. Minnie had many passions in her lifetime, but her family was most important. She loved family time, shopping with her girls, talking about her favorite sons, traveling to the mountains and spending Mother's Day at the beach house. Minnie was an amazing cook who loved baking and especially enjoyed making her famous pound cakes. She was a member of Evangel Temple Assembly of God for over 30 years where she enjoyed praising, worshipping and growing closer to her church family. She also enjoyed her time in the Red Hat Society and with her yaya church friends. Minnie was a gift to many and will be forever loved and truly missed. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of 55 years, George W. Johns; and sister Cleo (Joseph) Horne.

Minnie is survived by her children, Debbie (Gary) Waddell, Leon (Nita) Johns, Georgeanne (Keith) Taylor, Alton Johns and Minnie (Bobby Owen) Johns; 19 grandchildren; 24 greatgrandchildren; sister Patty (Charlie) Leonard; brother Johnny (Beverly) Wainwright; and countless nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.

A celebration of Minnie's life was held Friday, January 28 at Evangel Temple Assembly of God with Reverend Bryan Keith Taylor, Reverend Joshua Williams and Pastor Garry Wiggins officiating. Interment followed at Riverside Memorial Park. The family received friends Thursday, January 27 at Nassau Funeral Home.

Arrangements under the direction of Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770.

Visit www.nassaufh.com to sign the family's guest book.