Iva Lee Johnson

Her Legacy... Iva Lee Johnson, was born March 24, 1930 to William and Beatrice Shannon in Oroville, California. Iva began her education at Burbank Elementary School and finished at Oroville High School. After high school Iva attended nursing school becoming a certified nurse’s aide at Butte County Hospital. Iva worked in several nursing facilities throughout the Oroville area. In 1964 Iva became one of the first Southside Community Action Agency workers; she became a strong community leader and activist marching against injustice. Iva was part owner of Bennett and Johnson Care Home for over 20 years where she retired in 1988 Iva received Christ in her life over 50 years ago. During her christian ministry she was a member of Woman’s Aglow and prison fellowship ministry at the Butte County Jail. Iva was the mother of Northgate Church of God in Christ in Sacramento, CA, under the pastor James L. Moody. Iva was a mighty woman of God who touched many lives and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Her Family... Iva met and married Thomas Johnson in Oroville, California. They were married for 33 years until his death in 1982. She is survived by one sister Mary Lewis of Oroville, CA and six children, Beatrice Johnson, Judy Johnson, Kathy Johnson all of Oroville, CA, Leslie Hendrick, Willa Anderson, Myron Johnson all of Sacramento, CA, Iva had 17 grandchildren and host of great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews and dear friends. Iva is preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Johnson, sisters Melvia Thompson, Pauline Rogers, Willa Smith, and one brother William Shannon.

Her Farewell Service....There will be a viewing from 7:00 to 8:30 PM on Monday February 9, 2009 at Ramsey Funeral Home at 1175 Robinson St., Oroville. Her Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday February 10, 2009 at 11:00 AM at the First Methodist Church, 45 Acacia Ave. Oroville, Ca. Arrangements are entrusted to Ramsey Funeral Home 530-534-3877

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