



Ms. Ella J. Tolbert

January 26, 1934 - January 16, 2023

Obituary

Ella Josephine Tolbert (88) passed away Monday, January 16, 2023. She was born to Fred W. Williams & Charlotte Cooper in Kansas City, MO. She attended Wendell Phillips and R. T. Coles, before graduating from Lincoln High School in 1951 and completing one year at Bennett College in Greensboro, NC.

She first married Harvey E. King. Their union produced two children, Deborah K. & Harvey R. In 1968, she married Eugene Tolbert and later that year welcomed a son Tony L. into the family. Sadly, Eugene preceded Ella in death.

She had worked along Bannister federal complex for the greater portion of her life. She was employed at the IRS, the U. S. General Services Administration, the Bendix Corporation and finally the Department of Defense from which she retired after 20 years.

Ella was active in her community and church. She served with the Urban League Guild, Hands Across Troost, Beacon Hill-McFeders Community Council, and was a founding member along with Emmanuel Clever II of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference Kansas City chapter. Ella was a member of Second Baptist Church for over 80 years. She taught adult Sunday school, chaired the 150th anniversary history committee, and the prayer

ministry.

Those who cherish her memory are her children Debbie, Harvey & Tony (with daughter in-law Sherrida), grandchildren Adrienne Christian, Miles Tolbert & Nylah King, great-grandchildren Ariel & Aaron Coleman, great-great grandchild Promise Jai, cousins Gale Loving, Harold & Joseph Phillips, the King family (Gladys Sims, Sherie and Kimberli Hunt, Janelle Black, Sheila Sims Kitchen & Gabrielle Sims,), the Tolbert in-laws, extended family, and friends.

A Memorial Service in the celebration of her life will be held on Friday, January 27, 2023, 1:00 pm at Second Baptist Church, 39th & Monroe in Kansas City, MO. The service will also be livestreamed on SBC Online. Ella Josephine Tolbert will be laid to rest in the Forest Hill-Calvary Cemetery with a private service. Services conducted by Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapel.

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to the family or plant a tree
in memory of Ms. Ella J. Tolbert, please visit our floral store.

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“ *A Memorial Tree was planted for Ms. Ella J. Tolbert
We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Lawrence A. Jones
& Sons Funeral Chapels-Missouri - Lawrence A. Jones & Sons
Funeral Chapels
Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree*

A Memorial Tree was planted for Ms. Ella J. Tolbert - May 25, 2023 at 11:03 AM

EH

“ *Beautiful in blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Ella J. Tolbert
by Evon Harris. Send FlowersOur thoughts and prayers are with
youEvon Harris*

Evon Harris - May 25, 2023 at 11:03 AM

VN

“ *My condolences.....*

Veda Nelson - February 18, 2023 at 03:55 PM

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“ *REST IN Heaven Ms Ella I am sure that you are one of the most
Beautiful Angel's...Thank you for sharing our Grandson Miles
Tolbert and Your Son Tony Tolbert. I Promise to take care of Tony
and continue to Love him and watch over him . Please give Miles
PaPa a hug. Continue to Pray for us.*

Evon Harris - January 25, 2023 at 07:19 PM

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“ Rest in peace Sister Tolbert. Sister Tolbert was my prayer partner for many years. She would always call me on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. I miss her calls her laughter and our prayer time together. She loved the Lord and loved to pray. She was a true believer of Christ. I'll always cherish our time together. She was my friend.

Gina Ross - January 22, 2023 at 08:49 AM

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“ Grandma I'm truly miss you and love you, you will always be in my heart. Thank you for the time we share my Twin ..

adrienne christian - January 18, 2023 at 06:48 PM