

Bertha Rene Johnson Hollins was born Thursday, December 24, 1964 to Earnest Johnson and Queen Esther Grady Johnson in DeKalb, Kemper County, MS. After her encounter with Jesus Christ at an early age, she joined Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in DeKalb, MS. After marriage and in young adulthood, she later joined Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church in Preston, MS where she was a faithful member of the choir.

In 1985, she married William Hollins, the son of Phillip Hollins and Martha McCory Hollins, who is also a native of Kemper County, MS. Three children, two daughters and one son, were born to their union.

She received her education from the Kemper County School System where she attended West Kemper High School in DeKalb, MS. She was gainfully employed with the Kemper County School System for many years. Mrs. Bertha Rene Johnson Hollins, age 58, departed this earthly life on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 to forever dwell in that beautiful, celestial city called Heaven where no travelers there have ever returned.

Her father, Earnest Johnson; mother, Queen Esther Grady Johnson; four sisters, Ethel Ree Johnson Brown, Dorothy Ree Johnson McCory, Lillian Johnson, and Sarah Lene Johnson; one brother, Earnest "Sonny" Johnson; paternal grandparents, Eugene Johnson and Sarah Johnson; and maternal grandparents, Hezekiah Grady and Flossie Grady, preceded her in death.

Survivors are: her husband, William Hollins of DeKalb, MS; three children - one son, Brian William Hollins of Pearl, MS; two daughters, Francheskia Hollins and Jasmine Hollins, both of Starkville, MS; five grandchildren, Aubrey Landrum, Brianna Hollins, Baylee Hollins, Matthew Hollins, and Maniya Hollins; four siblings - all sisters, Andy Johnson Carter and Louise Johnson Carter, both of DeKalb, MS; Bernice Johnson Edwards of Irving, TX; and Lucille Johnson Cotton of Louisville, MS; an aunt, Pearlie Mae Grady of St. Paul, MN; an uncle, Kinish Grady (Sara) of Flint, MI; mother-in-law, Martha Harrington of Philadelphia, MS; two brothers-in-law, James Earl Hollins (Shelia) of DeKalb, MS and Leelo Brown of Porterville, MS; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins, and friends.