



## Mrs. JoElla Beasley

February 8, 1932 - October 22, 2017

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# Cemetery Details

## Hillcrest Memory Gardens

12813 NE 50th  
Spencer, OK 73084

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 27. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Rolfe Funeral Home  
2936 N.E. 36th  
Oklahoma City, OK 73111  
(405) 424-4136  
<https://rolfefuneralhome.com/>

## Service

OCT 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James Baptist Church  
12600 Parker Heights Blvd,  
Spencer, OK 73084

# Tribute Wall

  
Charles  
Milligan

“ *To my extended family I pray that God's peace mercy and blessings are always upon you all may your nights and day be filled with joyous memories of Joella she was a great woman full of love and joy I'm thankful to God that be blessed my cousin her husband with such a wonderful Strong Black Queen.... Sincerely yours Charles P.Milligan <sup>3</sup>*

Charles Milligan - October 27, 2017 at 05:03 PM

RJ

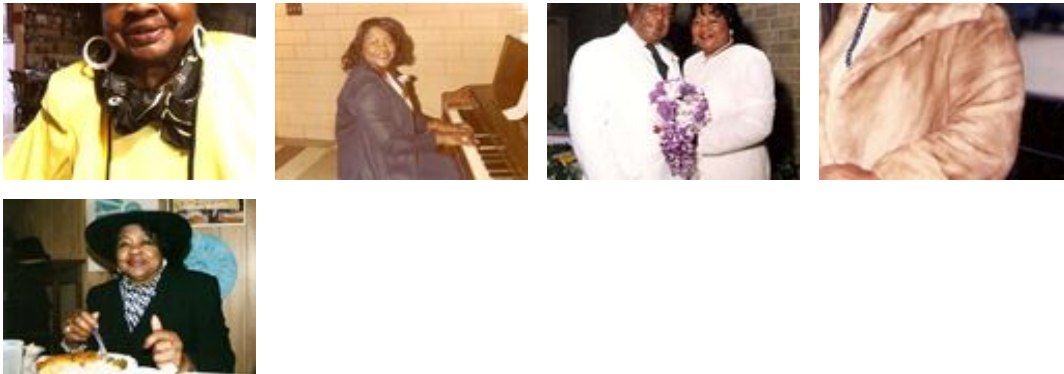
“ *We are praying that God's blessings light the way for the family and friends to see your way through this time of loss and sorrow, He grants you the strength and peace to ease your hearts and that His blessings abound as you carry on and cherish your beloved's legacy of love!*  
*Rosalyn G. Johnson & Family*



Rosalyn G. Johnson - October 27, 2017 at 10:33 AM



“ *14 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Rolfe Funeral Home - October 26, 2017 at 09:38 AM

RW

“ *To the Beasley family, God knows your sorrow. We may not understand why but he is always in control.*

Rita Winston - October 25, 2017 at 08:29 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. JoElla Beasley.*



October 25, 2017 at 01:08 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. JoElla Beasley.*



October 24, 2017 at 03:41 PM

MB

“ *Margaret Rose, Greg, Kenneth, Ted, Rita, Kevin, Greetings from an old friend of the family. I have known or been a part of this family since I was a child some 69 years ago. I knew Jo Ella to be a Godly Woman who played an important role in my ministry that has spanned over 40 years. You may ask, "How did she impact my ministry?"*

*Since my youth I was a member of Israel Chapel CME Church Choir. Jo Ella was the pianist. Under her tutelage I was brought into at least two generations of individuals who loved God and loved to sing his praises. This foundation has influenced and inspired members of the Green Pastures, Spencer, Oklahoma City, and beyond. God Bless the Beasley family, thank you Jo Ella, Rest in Peace.*

**Maurice L. Bolden** - October 24, 2017 at 03:15 PM

GR

*I remember her playing the piano and leading the choir from her place at the piano. She tried to get me to sing to no avail. I just couldn't stay on key. Thank you for being a shining light Gone but never forgotten. Gloria Jean Rogins*

**Gloria Rogins** - October 24, 2017 at 06:39 PM

DS

“ *What can I say about this great lady? I have known her since I was a child. We find it hard when someone leaves us that we have been around forever. She had physical beauty as well as inner. She had a contagious smile. To all of her children who were my schoolmates; I offer my love and sincere condolences. To My Rita who was my schoolmate , whom I have worked with as co treasure of the Dunjee All School Reunion for many years; my coworker ; your strength is commendable and knowing that God is with each of you during one of the most difficult times you will ever face is comforting.*



Donetta Love Starks - October 24, 2017 at 12:12 AM

DS

*My children Clee and Meechie offer their condolence and loved ms. Beasley and talk of her often as their Pre School teacher and followed them through adulthood attending their showers and weddings.*

Donetta Love Starks - October 24, 2017 at 12:16 AM

DE

“ *Aunt JoElla, I am gonna miss you so much, I know you are in your comfort zone because you are with your loved ones and dancing in Heaven and with our Lord in savior, you are now with Grammy and you two are laughing and enjoying each other as you always have....love you*

DeeDee - October 23, 2017 at 11:16 PM

DE

“ *My heart goes out with thoughts and prayers to the Beasley family. Mrs. Jo Ella was a soft-spoken, kind-hearted person who will be remembered for her musical talent and other services to several church families and in the community. May God's Love and Peace surround each of you and may He give you comfort. Rita, my co-worker, will definitely have an EXTRA star in her crown for the unspeakable sacrifices in caring for her mother to the end! DeLois E. Anderson*

DeLois - October 23, 2017 at 12:17 PM

RW

*Deepest sympathy to the Beasley family. Mrs Beasley will be missed by all who knew her,our times together was always enlightening. Love to the family.*

Rita Winston - October 23, 2017 at 09:52 PM

RC

*Dear Family, there are no words to express our feelings of loss for you and yours. Please know that such a precious and loving Woman of God will be truly missed by all who knew her. My thoughts and prayers are with you, and may God comfort and keep you until you see her again. God Bless, Rev Kem Cain.*

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**Rev Kem Cain** - October 24, 2017 at 08:18 PM

JH

*Jo Ella thanks for being a life long loving and caring friend to my family and all my elder siblings whom you grew up with in Green Pastures and now have joined together in that Heavenly Green Pastures eternally. Thanks for being a part of the village that raised me. Joe Hill, Esquire*

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**Joe Hill** - October 25, 2017 at 05:02 AM

TC

*Auntie Jo, you were some kinda woman! One of my fondest memories...I visited Aunt Jo about 10 years ago. She was gracious enough to let me stay with her during my 2 week visit and refused to let me give her a dime. In exchange for her hospitality, I offered to buy the family's groceries for the time I'd be there. She agreed and took me grocery shopping. I knew the family liked bacon so I stood over the meat frig and spend quite a bit of time searching for the perfect package of bacon, which of course was the leanest. I found the perfect package and put in in the loaded up cart. Aunt Jo looked into the cart and spotted the beautiful extra lean package of bacon. She turned up her nose up in disapproval (some of y'all know the look) and said, "Ewww! That's the bacon you picked? I KNOW you ain't buying that! That bacon barely got any fat on it!" She snatched it out my cart and returned to the frig and quickly grabbed a new package of bacon that barely had meat on it! LOL! I'll miss Aunt Jo. Prayers sent for my cousins during their precious loss.*

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**Treess Cannon-Davis** - October 26, 2017 at 10:48 AM