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Dennis Tolbert

Edward Tolbert  
David Tolbert

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#### EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION

The family of Mrs. Elena T. Johnson sincerely acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expressions of sympathy. Your prayers, phone calls, visits, cards, food, flowers and kind words of encouragement have truly been a blessing to our family. You have shown your love for Mrs. Johnson by the way that you have shown God's love to us.

#### INTERMENT

Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Kilgore, TX

#### REPAST

Immediately after the interment in Mt. Pleasant CME Church Fellowship Hall



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# *Celebrating the Life of Mrs. Elena T. Johnson*

*"For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."  
2 Corinthians 5:1 (ESV)*

*March 1, 1933  
Sunrise*

*March 31, 2025  
Sunset*



**Thursday, April 10, 2025**

**11:00 A.M.**

**MT. PLEASANT CME CHURCH**

**4242 Old Hwy 135 South**

**Kilgore, Texas**

**Rev. Melvina Evans Darty, Pastor**

*Officiants*

*Rev. Preston C. Johnson, Eulogist*

*Rev. Melvina Evans Darty, Pastor, Officiating*



Her Life Story

MRS. ELENA TOLBERT JOHNSON

“I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith...”

II Timothy 4:7

**Place of Birth:** Mrs. Elena Tolbert Johnson was born March 1, 1933 to Lawrence and Eula Cameron Tolbert in Kilgore, Texas. She departed this earthly life on March 31, 2025. She was preceded in death by her father, Lawrence Tolbert, mother, Eula Cameron Tolbert, and five siblings: Bennie Tolbert, Olantha Tolbert, Prentis Tolbert, Lenon Tolbert, and Broyles Tolbert.

**Education:** She attended North Chapel High School.

**Holy Matrimony:** Elena was united in marriage to Lavern Johnson for fifteen years. They reared three sons: Lawrence, Preston and Richard Johnson.

**Employment:** Retired from Vertex Corporation, Kilgore, Texas.

**Church Affiliation:** Elena united with Mt. Pleasant CME Church at an early age. As a faithful prayer warrior and Stewardess, she served in various capacities. She was faithful in her attendance of Sunday worship, Sunday School, and Bible Study for many years. Elena was also known for her prayers and loved to hear her favorite hymn, “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”.

**Family:** Those left to cherish her memory: her three sons, Rev. Preston (Calva) Johnson of Rowlett, TX, Lawrence Johnson and Richard E. Johnson both of Kilgore, TX; two sisters-in-law, Darlene Tolbert, of Kilgore, TX, and Eva Jean Tolbert, of Compton, CA; seven grandchildren, Troy Hooper, Deandra Johnson, Wakisha Johnson all of Kilgore, TX, Charla (Kermit “J”) Dow of Houston, TX, Andrew Johnson of McKinney, TX, Sarah (Kevin) Cox and Crystal Johnson both of Tyler, TX; a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.



ORDER OF SERVICE

PULPIT CONDUCTOR	Rev. Melvina Evans Darty, Pastor Mt. Pleasant CME Church
PRELUDE	
PROCESSIONAL	
MUSICAL SELECTION	George A. Faber II
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NEW TESTAMENT	Rev. Leron Jackson Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church
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RESOLUTION	Mt. Pleasant CME Church Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church
PRECIOUS MEMORIES	Andrew Johnson and Charla Dow Grandchildren
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	Charla Dow
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