

*The Homegoing Celebration for
Josie M. Crouch*

Sunrise: July 21, 1946 - Sunset: October 14, 2025

Friday, October 31, 2025

Viewing: 9:30 a.m. | Service: 10:30 a.m.

From the Heart Church Ministries®

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Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor



In Loving Memory of Josie M. Crouch

Josie Crouch-Hood was born on July 21, 1946, in Danville, Virginia. She passed away peacefully on Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

In the late 1960s, Josie graduated from Phenix High School, a segregated public school in Hampton, Virginia, for African Americans. Over the years, she held administrative positions with Geico Insurance Company and served as head housekeeper for the Marriott Hotel.

Josie, one of nine siblings, was a loving single parent whose compassion and care touched everyone around her. Though Josie and Nate White, the father of Kim and Troy, were never married, they shared the joy of raising two wonderful children who continue to honor her legacy of love and compassion.

Josie poured her heart into raising her children and extended that same warmth to all who crossed her path. As a foster parent for over 15 years, she nurtured, cared for, and supported the children who were temporarily placed in her care, while continuing to meet the needs of her own family. Her gentle spirit, kind words, and unwavering love made her a source of comfort and strength for family and friends alike.

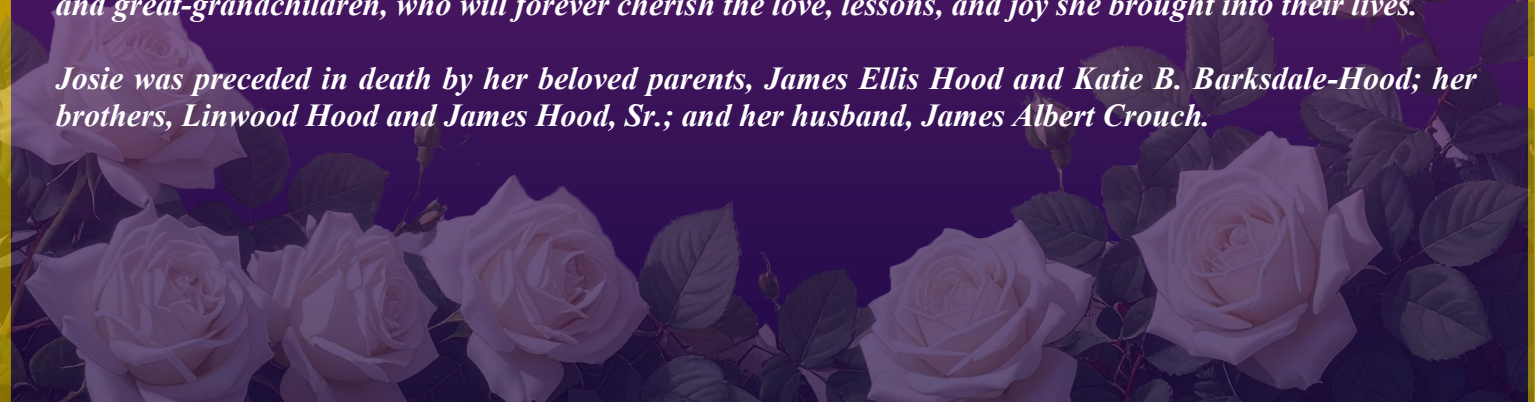
She enjoyed going to the movies, dining out with her daughter, bowling, and visiting parks with her beloved grandchildren.

Josie was a woman of faith who in March of 2017, joined From the Heart Church Ministries where she consistently received the uncompromising Word of God. She faithfully attended the worship services, participated in church events, and diligently served in the Physical Stewardship and Seniors Ministries. Church was very important to her.

Josie's kindness, selflessness, and gentle heart will remain forever in the memories of those who loved her. Her love was unconditional, her laughter unforgettable, and her presence a true blessing. May her soul rest in eternal peace, and may her memory continue to shine brightly in the hearts of all who knew and loved her. She will be deeply missed by her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family, friends, and all whose lives she touched.

Josie is survived by her devoted daughter, Kim Hood; her loving son, Troy (Clarissa) Hood; her sisters: Essie Gerald of Washington, D.C.; Jeanette (Terence) Roberson of Clinton, MD; and Annie Reid of Danville, VA; as well as her brothers: Lawrence Hood of Gretna, VA; Earnest (Cynthia) Hood of Danville, VA; and Kervin (Karen) Hood of Manassas, VA. She also leaves behind a host of beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who will forever cherish the love, lessons, and joy she brought into their lives.

Josie was preceded in death by her beloved parents, James Ellis Hood and Katie B. Barksdale-Hood; her brothers, Linwood Hood and James Hood, Sr.; and her husband, James Albert Crouch.



Order of Service

Invocation

Congregational Hymn “Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross”

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 91:1-7
New Testament: John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection *Sister Linda Gray*

Acknowledgements

Obituary (Read Silently)

Song of Preparation *Sister Linda Gray*

Message of Hope *Minister Janet D. Briscoe*

Call to Christ

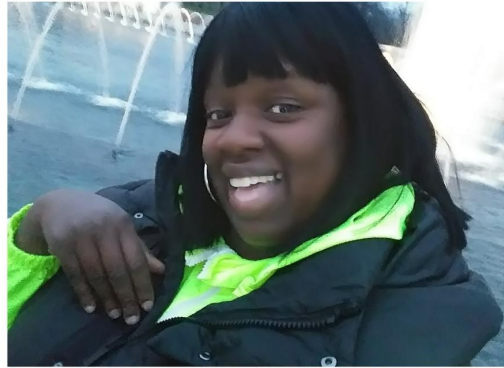
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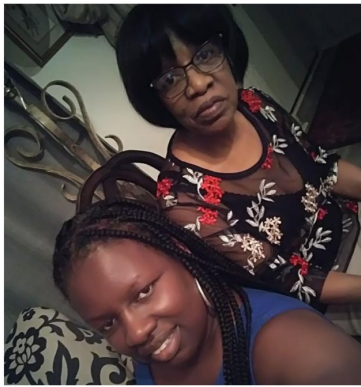
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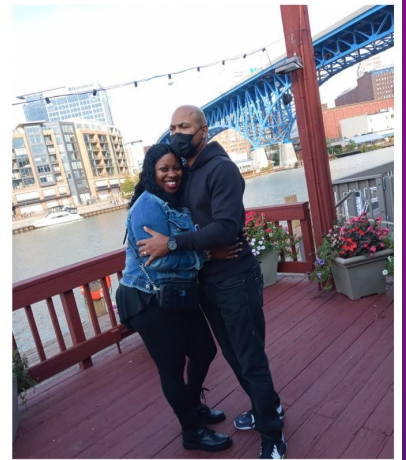
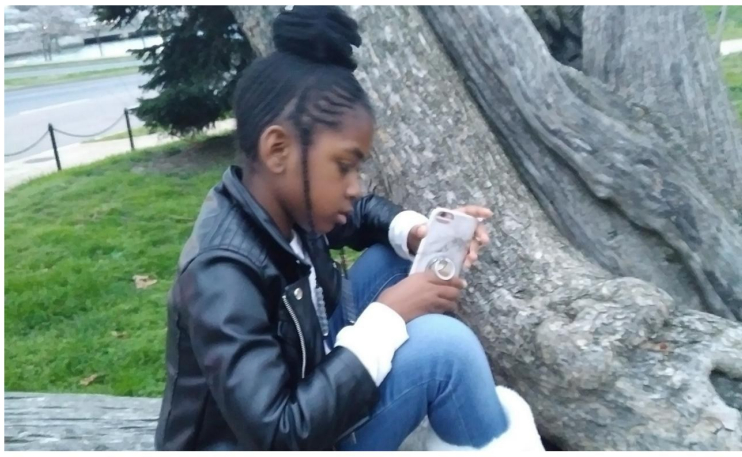
Interment

Quantico National Cemetery
18424 Joplin Road
Triangle, VA 22172













Congregational Hymn

Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

Jesus, keep me near the cross,
There a precious fountain;
Free to all, a healing stream,
Flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

Chorus

*In the cross, in the cross
Be my glory ever,
Till my ransomed soul shall find
Rest beyond the river.*

Near the cross, a trembling soul,
Love and mercy found me;
There the Bright and Morning Star
Sheds His beams around me.

Chorus

Near the cross! O Lamb of God,
Bring it scenes before me;
Help me walk from day to day
With its shadow o'er me.

Chorus

Near the cross! I'll watch and wait,
Hoping, trusting ever;
Till I reach the golden strand,
Just beyond the river.

Chorus

Acknowledgement

*We thank you so much for all the kindness you have shown. For friendship's healing touch, with gratitude our hearts are full, though words cannot convey the tender thoughts and thankfulness we hold for you today.
Love, the family.*



Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends



Services Entrusted to:

*Stewart Funeral Home
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Washington, D.C. 20019*