



## Mrs. Juanita Leverett

July 5, 2024

Juanita Isom was born on April 14, 1923, in the small rural community of Halley, Arkansas, to Susie and George Isom. As one of nine children, Juanita grew up amidst the challenges and warmth of a bustling household. Her mother, who battled Parkinson's disease with steadfast courage, and her father, who was her devoted caregiver, instilled in Juanita and her siblings a deep reverence for God and a thirst for knowledge. Juanita often recalled her first day of school with pride. Her lunch, a shiny syrup bucket holding a baked sweet potato and a piece of cornbread, was quickly forgotten as she marveled at her new surroundings. She was captivated by the lessons and the unfamiliar words, but most of all, she was mesmerized by her teacher's elegance and grace, always adorned in pretty dresses and high-heeled shoes. Inspired by this nurturing guidance, Juanita knew she wanted to one day become a teacher. Throughout her childhood and adolescence, Juanita never lost sight of the image her first-grade

teacher had painted for her. This vision guided her to AM&N College in Pine Bluff, Arkansas,

where she declared her major in Elementary Education. She later pursued graduate studies at the

University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, further solidifying her commitment to education. Juanita

spent many years in the classroom, wearing pretty dresses and high-heeled shoes, infusing young

minds with possibilities and teaching them to dream big, reach for the stars, and always

remember God's love.

Juanita's dedication to nurturing young minds continued throughout her career, from her early

days as a teacher to her tenure as an esteemed elementary school principal.

Her classrooms were

sanctuaries of joy and discovery, where each child felt valued and inspired to reach their fullest

potential.

Juanita was married to Arthur Leverett for over 65 years, a loving partnership that stood as a

testament to their enduring bond and mutual respect. She was preceded in death by her parents,

her beloved husband Arthur, and six of her siblings.

As we gather to honor Juanita and celebrate her remarkable life, we

remember a woman whose

dreams became her reality. Her reverence for God and passion for education were ignited by a

teacher whose knowledge, wisdom, elegance, and kindness left an indelible mark on her young

heart.

Today, as we bid farewell to Juanita, we celebrate the profound impact she

had on countless lives. Her legacy extends far beyond the walls of any school, resonating in the hearts of students, colleagues, and families whose lives she touched with her wisdom, kindness, and steadfast belief in God and the power of education. Though she no longer walks among us, Juanita's spirit lives on in the countless lives she enriched and the futures she helped shape.

She leaves to mourn her passing two sons, Ronald E. Leverett (Earlene) and Michael E. Leverett (Valarie), one sister, Lucille Hankton, and one brother, Wardell Isom. She is also survived by three grandchildren, Lindsey Leverett-Higgins (Leon), Mason Leverett, and Michaela Leverett, and one great-granddaughter, Scarlett E. Markham, who will grow up hearing about the remarkable legacy of her great-grandmother. Additionally, Juanita leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, and her beloved community in Dermott, Arkansas. Let us carry forward her legacy of compassion, dedication, and the joy of learning, honoring her memory in our hearts forevermore. As the scriptures remind us, "Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her" (Proverbs 31:28). May we all strive to live by the values she held dear and keep her memory alive in our actions and hearts.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olive church Cemetery

Dermott , AR

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUL 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St Peter's Baptist Church  
805 18th St  
Hempstead, TX 77445  
(979) 826-9092

## Funeral Service

JUL 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

BM

“ *BEVERLY WALKER MURRAY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Juanita Leverett*



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**BEVERLY WALKER MURRAY** - September 17, 2024 at 07:23 PM

CF

“ *Charles (charlie) Robinson and Family. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Juanita Leverett.*



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**Charles (charlie) Robinson and Family.** - July 18, 2024 at 05:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Juanita Leverett.*



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July 18, 2024 at 12:26 PM

SA

“ *St. James MB Church Fayetteville, AR planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Juanita Leverett.*

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**St. James MB Church Fayetteville, AR** - July 18, 2024 at 12:26 PM

JL

“ Mrs Leverett was my first grade Teacher at Chicot County Elementary School back in 1956. I spent my early days of school in her lap bc I was a cry baby. I would be sitting in her lap while she taught the rest of the class. As I recall she was the most beautiful woman I'd ever met. Eventually I settled into school life and I was eager to go to school every morning. She made learning fun and gave my classmates and I a great foundation for our continued education. We were truly blessed to have her as our gateway to our future. May God and the spirit of her memories give peace and comfort to her family during this season of grief and praise for her honorable life. 🙏

Jesse Pete Lee - July 18, 2024 at 10:07 AM

SW

Condolences to and prayers for the entire Leverett family.

sarah williams - July 19, 2024 at 10:44 AM

JY

My deepest heartfelt condolences are with you and your family. A mother is with us always, first in her lifetime, then forever in our hearts. I will keep the Leverett Family in my prayers.

JessieMae Yell - July 20, 2024 at 10:31 AM

CK

“ Cheryl King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Juanita Leverett



Cheryl King - July 17, 2024 at 09:23 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Juanita Leverett.



July 17, 2024 at 12:02 PM



“ Frederick, Venita and Amber Leverette planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Juanita Leverett.

Frederick, Venita and Amber Leverette - July 17, 2024 at 12:02 PM



“ May GOD bless each of you and provide peace and comfort. Mrs. Leverett is dancing with the angels in perfect good health.

Linda Durham - July 16, 2024 at 06:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Juanita Leverett.



July 16, 2024 at 04:05 PM



“ What a blessing to have known Ms Leverett. She was wonderful and beautiful person. She will be forever loved and miss by all...Amen 🌹

Remona Lee - July 16, 2024 at 01:19 PM

RD

“ *Condolences to the family*

**Romona Dillard** - July 16, 2024 at 11:26 AM

EM

“ *Evelyn Simmons Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Juanita Leverett*



**Evelyn Simmons Moore** - July 16, 2024 at 08:08 AM

SM

“ *Your mother was a blessing, her memory a treasure. She was loved beyond words & will be missed beyond measure. The loss of a mom is one of the greatest loss in life. I'm thinking of you all during this difficult time. I hope that your memories of your mom bring you peace, comfort and strength.*

*Shirley Turner Mosley*

**Shirley Turner Mosley** - July 15, 2024 at 05:32 PM

SH

“ *S. Michelle Hackney lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Juanita Leverett*



**S. Michelle Hackney** - July 13, 2024 at 04:56 PM

DS

“ *Condolences to the Leverett Family.  
May her memories never be forgotten.  
Love,  
Diane McGowan Johnson  
Reginald Johnson, Jr.*

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**Diane McGowan Johnson & Son** - July 13, 2024 at 02:25 PM