



Gloria Jean Johnson

March 31, 1946 - July 10, 2020

Gloria J. Riley Johnson was born March 31, 1946 in Tallulah, Louisiana to Annie J. Riley and Richard Riley, Sr. As a young girl growing up in the country, Gloria was known as a fast runner. Oh yes, she could out run all of her brothers down south. She was so fast that she proudly earned the nickname Ghost Fast-Runner. In 1962, Gloria and her brothers moved to Las Vegas, Nevada. She attended Rancho High School before beginning a life long career in the casino industry. Her first job was at The Four Queens as a hostess, then as a waitress at The Las Vegas Hilton. Gloria went on to work for over twenty-five years as a head hostess for Jerry's Nugget. She finally retired in 2008 from the Silver Nugget.

Gloria enjoyed all types of music, from the blues and smooth jazz to today's hip hop. You could find her dancing around the house to her favorite jams too. She also loved cooking her favorite meals, like enchiladas and spaghetti for family and friends. Gloria never missed the opportunity to join family gatherings during holidays and celebrations, especially with her brothers, nieces and nephews, who she cherished and admired throughout the years. Her words of encouragement and her tight embraces made everyone around her feel welcome and loved.

Gloria leaves behind her beloved brothers, Richard Riley, Jr. (Wilma), Robert Lee Riley, Sr. (Sammiella), Andrew Lee Riley, and a host of nieces and

nephews.

She is preceded in death by Richard Riley, Sr. (father), Allie T. Riley (brother), Annie, J. Riley (mother), and Earnest James Riley (brother).