



## Constella B. Patterson Farris

May 31, 1941 - January 20, 2020

Constella Patterson Farris was born May 31, 1941, in St. Louis, Missouri to Henry Ward Beecher and Eddie Beatrice Buren. Constella was the second youngest sibling: Ruby Mae, Velma, Emmauel (Pete), Eddie Purdue, Lavertia and Carolee.

She graduated from Vashon High School in 1959. Upon graduation, she went to Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri and graduated in 1964. On May 20, 1972, she became a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. A Master of Education from the National College of Education in Evanston, Illinois was conferred to Constella on August 20, 1989. She taught at Herzog Elementary for forty years.

As a young woman, Constella married Oscar Patterson March 20, 1971, who preceded her in death in 1981. In that union, they lovingly welcomed their daughter Chantay Patterson. Constella later married Ike Farris in 1985 who embraced and loved Chantay as his own daughter.

Constella was known for her boisterous, fiery and loving personality. She was always dressed to impress, especially with jewelry and purses. She loved her family. She and her sisters loved to gather the family for holidays, good food (she was an excellent cook) and games. She created many loving memories playing spades, dominos, and pokeno. The three sisters who lived in St. Louis

(Constella, Laverita, and Carolee) shared wonderful times together traveling, going to various workshops and other fun events. She was a member of Christ Our Redeemer AME Church and loved her church family.

She is survived by her husband, Ike, and daughter Chantay; her sisters Laverita Johnson and Carolee Smith (Harl). She has a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many friends who attest to the life and legacy she left behind.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Peters

2101 Lucas & Hunt Rd  
St Louis, MO 63121

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **29**. 10:00 AM (CT)

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER A.M.E. CHURCH  
13820 Old Jamestown Road  
Black Jack, MO 63033

## Service

JAN **29**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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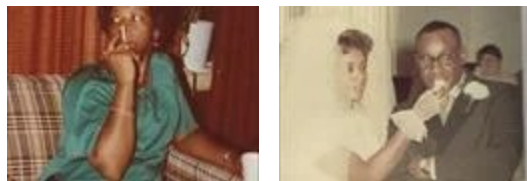
# Tribute Wall

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“ *Constella you never left our family, you will always be in our Hearts.  
RIP*

*PS Auntie is waiting to greet you with some Hot Water Cornbread!*

*God Bless,  
Patterson Family*



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**Patterson Family** - January 28, 2020 at 02:07 PM

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“ *You will be missed, even though you remarried after the death of our uncle brother you remained a true Patterson. A real living example of once an aunt always an aunt. It was a real joy and a pleasure knowing and loving you. I will never forget you. Ike thanks for your willingness to share her and allow her to continue to embrace our family. I loved your sassiness, your style and those down to earth conversations, you know you kept it real at all times. I love you Aunt Constella and may you finally rest in peace.*

*Your Kansas City niece,*

*Carol*

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**Carolyn Greene** - January 28, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Constella B. Patterson Farris*.



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January 28, 2020 at 12:39 PM



“ *My condolences are extended to all the Buren and Patterson families. My God bless you all.*

*Samuel Hawkins*  
*18430 middlesex Ave*  
*Lathrup Village, Mi 48076*

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**Samuel Hawkins** - January 25, 2020 at 08:08 PM