



## Maxine Henry

October 1, 1942 - July 8, 2023

Muriel Maxine Henry, 80, of Corvallis, Oregon, passed away on July 8, 2023, from complications due to Alzheimer's Disease. Maxine, or Max as her family and friends affectionately called her, was raised in Kiln, Mississippi, a stone's throw from the Gulf of Mexico.

She earned her Bachelor of Arts at Jackson State University, where she was inducted into Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. Upon graduation, she returned home and taught school in the Hancock County Public School District. Endeared to her beloved sorority, Maxine was a Charter Member of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Alumnae Chapter in March 1966. She was an active member providing community service throughout cities along the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Maxine later met and married Calvin, and they relocated to Oregon. She earned her Master of Arts in education from Oregon State University and taught English for over 30 years, including at Corvallis High School.

Maxine devoted time to helping her community. She was an active member of the Ebony Circle, a Corvallis-based community group that helped black students adjust to life at OSU, and the Oregon Assembly for Black Affairs, committed to building a better Oregon for the Black community.

She loved spending time with family and friends, cooking her world-famous seafood Gumbo, traveling with her sorority sisters (GRITS, Girls Raised in the South), working on her flower and vegetable gardens, and eating walnuts.

She is survived by her loving husband, Calvin, and son, Rashad, who will

miss her eternally.

Our heart breaks that you are gone, but we know you are in a better place.

We miss your smile.

We miss your laugh.

We miss your open heart.

We miss your beautiful soul.

A memorial service in her honor will be held at McHenry's Funeral Home on Saturday, July 29, at 1:00 pm.

McHenry Funeral Home & Cremation Services

206 NW 5th St.

Corvallis, OR 97330

(541) 757-8141

The service is open to the public. Instead of sending flowers to the family, please consider donating a memorial gift to the Alzheimer's Association in her name. Proceeds will go to providing Alzheimer's care and support and accelerating research. [https://act.alz.org/site/Donation2?df\\_id=51079&51079.donation=form1&mfc\\_pref=T&utm\\_source=bing&utm\\_medium=paidsearch&utm\\_campaign=giving\\_bing&msclkid=497a70dfb9dd1df6fdb146b87cfe165](https://act.alz.org/site/Donation2?df_id=51079&51079.donation=form1&mfc_pref=T&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=paidsearch&utm_campaign=giving_bing&msclkid=497a70dfb9dd1df6fdb146b87cfe165)

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL **29**. 1:00 PM (PT)

McHenry Funeral Home  
206 NW 5th St.  
Corvallis, OR

# Tribute Wall

SJ

“ *shirley Johnson lit a candle in memory of Maxine Henry*



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**shirley Johnson** - July 27, 2023 at 08:12 PM

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“ *shirley Johnson lit a candle in memory of Maxine Henry*



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**shirley Johnson** - July 27, 2023 at 08:08 PM

LC

“ *I send my deepest condolences and love to the family for the loss of your dear mother and spouse. I send the highest light of love and all. I am saddened I will not be able to be with the family during this difficult time. Dr. Lisa Collins*

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**Lisa Collins** - July 25, 2023 at 02:26 PM

RH

“ *1 file added to the album Maxine Henry*



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**Rashad Henry** - July 24, 2023 at 10:54 PM

HE

“ *Rest in Peace, sweet Maxine. You were such a beautiful soul, who made me feel so welcome into your life. Thank you for reaching out and watching my back for over 20 years. It was good to know you, and to be able to call you my friend. I will never forget your kindness, thoughtfulness, and hospitality. You are an inspiration, indeed. Now is the time to go fly your wings, my sweet baby bird.*



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Helen - July 23, 2023 at 09:36 PM