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Joan Agatha Thomas

08 June 1942 – 19 September 2016

Commissioner, Virgin Islands Casino Control Commission

The sun rose on the beautiful life of **Joan Agatha Jackson**, born on **08 June 1942** on the island of St. John and grew up in the Hard Labor and John's Folly areas of Coral Bay. She is the 4th of six children born to **Alvara M. Jackson** (a wonderful Cook at home and at the school), and **Reuben I. Jackson** (a Boat Captain, Fisherman, Public Works Laborer, and Head Start Bus Monitor).

Joan's family consisted of brother **Louis I. Jackson** (deceased), and sisters **Vivian** (deceased as an infant), **Lillian N. Plaskett** (deceased), **Ruth E. Vanterpool**, and **Hilda I. Anthony**, and an extended family of numerous nieces and nephews, and many great-nieces and great-nephews.

Mrs. Thomas became the wife of **Rudolph A. "Pimpy" Thomas, Jr.** (Army Veteran, and Water Delivery Pioneer) (deceased Jul 2016) and from this marriage they have two daughters, **Beverly A. Hendricks Adams** (nee Thomas), (husband Lincoln Adams), and **Brenda A. Thomas Olague**. She has five (5) grandsons, **Khye A. Hendricks**, **Kamal A. Hendricks**, and **Kaleem A. Hendricks**, **Khiry A. B. Arnold**, and **Kamai A. M. Guillory**, eighteen (18) great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren whom she loved very much. Her children by marriage are **Beverly LaVerne Thomas-Delsol**, **Byron V.**

Thomas, and **Lee V. Thomas.**

She learned how to play piano and organ, from Bill LaMotta, and blessed the Calvary Baptist Church in Coral Bay, for many years with her many talents, skills, and abilities as a pianist, organist, and teacher.

She graduated from **Charlotte Amalie High School** in St. Thomas as a proud member of the **class of 1961**. She also attained an **Associate of Arts Degree** in 1984, a **Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration** in 1987, and a **Master's degree in Public Administration** in 1992.

Starting in 10th Grade she worked for **Division of Personnel, Director of Budget Office, Lieutenant Governor's Office, Department of Social Welfare, Department of Public Safety/Virgin Islands Police**, on St. John, VI (for 32 years), and then concluded her career as a **Commissioner** for the **Virgin Islands Casino Control Commission** from **1996 to 1999**. She also managed her husband's water delivery business.

On the evening of **19 September 2026**, in Raeford, North Carolina, the sun set on the amazing life of **Commissioner Joan A. Thomas**. She now rests peacefully among the **Ancestors**.