



Diane Lloyd Johnson

Born and raised in Tarboro, North Carolina, Diane Lloyd Johnson is the daughter of the late Joseph and Minnie Pearl Freeman.

In 1960, Diane started kindergarten at the home of Ms. Catherine Weston; this was before kindergarten was a part of the school system. The cost was \$2.00 per week. She attended W.A. Pattillo from grades 1 thru 9 and Tarboro Senior High grades 10 thru 12, graduating June 8, 1973.

After high school Diane took courses at the local Edgecombe Technical Institute and started her 22-year tenure with Carolina Telephone Company. Diane's career took a turn due to the telephone company relocating their headquarters, after which she worked another fulfilling position (9 years) as the Executive Administrative Assistant to the Mayor and City Manager of Tarboro, NC. Diane is quoted as saying, "Exemplary work ethics were instilled in me by my parents-- to work hard, do your best and to remember the words of BB King: "The best thing about learning is that no one can take it from you."

Diane is a lifelong member of Eastern Star Missionary Baptist Church where she serves on the Finance Board as Assistant Treasurer. She also serves as Secretary on the Board of Directors for the Panola Heights Housing Development Corporation.

Diane became a member of the W.A. Pattillo Alumni Association in 1986 and served as Financial Secretary from 2011-2015. She currently serves as Chairperson of the Archives Committee.