



## Bettie Delores Jones JUNE 21, 1949 - NOVEMBER, 20, 2020

Date & Time: December 19,2020 Time: 11:30am EST Location: www.zoom.us (online) Meeting ID: 884 9971 7777 Passcode: 558434

## A Silent Tear

Just close your eyes and you will see
All the memories that you have of me.
Just sit and relax and you will find
I'm really there inside your mind.
Don't cry for me now I'm gone
For I am in the land of song.
There is no pain, there is no fear
So dry away that silent tear.
Don't think of me in the dark and cold
For here I am, no longer old.
I'm in that place that's filled with love
Known to you all as 'up above'.

- Author Unknown -



Musical Prelude Vocalist: Recording Artist Jewell Booker Introduction/Words of Welcome: Kenneth Myers, Sr.

Prayer: Reverend Joel L. King, Jr.

Scripture Reading: Dr. Kenneth Myers

Musical Selection: Jamie Hilliard

Formal Reading of Obituary: Katherine Azmoun

Brief Informal Tributes: Family Members

Words of Comfort: Dr. William J. Harris

Eulogy/Life Tribute: Pastor Dr. Reuben Aghedo

(Pastor of Bettie's Church in Richmond, VA)

Eulogy/Life Tribute: Pastor Mark Cobb

(Pastor of Bettie's Church in Mansfield, OH)

Words of Thanks: Kyle C. Jones

Words of Thanks: Talbert S. Jones

Closing Remark & Prayer: Pastor Dr. Lillian Aghedo

(Pastor of Bettie's Church in Richmond, VA)

## - Obituary-

Bettie Delores (Griffin) Jones, 71, departed this life on November 20, 2020, suddenly and unexpectedly, at home, after a long-standing illness.

Bettie was born on June 21, 1949, in Picayune, Mississippi. She graduated from George Washington Carver High School, in Picayune and, from 1967 through 1971, attended Jackson State University, in Jackson Mississippi. Before moving to Mansfield and undertaking her career (35 plus years) in employment and training, she worked at NASA and Head Start. Bettie worked at the local unemployment office and helped to implement various federal and state employment initiatives including the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA), Summer Youth Employment Program (Youth Corps), Job Training and Partnership Act (JTPA), Private Industry Council (PIC) which culminated in in her retirement from the Richland County Department of Job and Family Services. Bettie was proud of the achievements of her clients that graduated from college; earned various certificates and licenses to practice and work in various fields from nursing to trucking and more. She valued her colleagues as they worked for the betterment of Richland and Morrow Counties.

Bettie's loving, peaceful and quiet spirit hid her powerful determination and future outlook.

More than anything else, she cherished her personal relationship with The Almighty and time spent with family and friends. Her sons' friends knew that they were always welcome. She drew a crowd when she prepared her delicious seafood gumbo. Bettie could always be seen shopping with her sister Ann. At home, she controlled the remote control and enjoyed watching college and professional football with her husband and was an avid Ohio State University and Cleveland Browns fan. She loved the Cavs but, wherever LeBron James played, that became her favorite team. Having joined under the leadership of the beloved Reverend Verdell Larson, she was a member of Providence Baptist Church, in Mansfield Ohio- Pastor Mark Cobb and Mercy Seat of God Outreach Ministries, when in Richmond, VA- Pastor Reuben Aghedo & Pastor Lillian Aghedo while she nurtured her granddaughters and spent time with her family. With her husband, Bettie supported the local branch of the NAACP and Police Athletic League (PALS). She often reflected on the fun that she had at the Police Athletic League's (PALS) baseball events that her son participated in and their mission of helping families prepare for school. Donations to both or either organization, on her behalf, are appreciated.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Helen Griffin; grandparents an adoptive parents, Mattie and Chester Griffin; mother-in-law Roberta Jones Booth; father-in-law, Talbert S. Jones, Sr.; brothers and sisters, E. C., Richard, Shirley and Ann Griffin who taught in the Mansfield City Schools for 35 years; brother-in-law Larry and Brenda Craig, Michael (Tressia) S. B. Jones; sister-in-law Tina (Jones)Ellis, nephew, Larry C. Griffin, III, 'Poncho,' and son, Talbert S. Jones, III. Bettie is survived by her husband and companion of 43 years, Talbert, sons Kyle (Stephanie O.) and granddaughters Kayla and Alese in Richmond, Virginia, and Archie and grandchildren Jayden and Taniya ii Mansfield; step-mother Karen Jones (Gahanna, OH); aunt, Jessie Lee Doles (Columbus, Ohio); Sister Rosie Lee Nicholson (Los Angeles, CA); brothers James (Carol) Avery and Larry Griffin (Picayune); brother-in-law Martin Jones (Austin, Texas); adopted sister and friend, Roberta E. Taylor; a host of nieces and nephews including Paul (Erika) Avery (Picayune), Terra Griffin and daughter Ka'Nihia Davis (Gulfport, MS); Krystal Avery (Hattiesburg, MS); Reshonda Griffin and sons Kshawn and Kaiden (Huntsville, AL); Andre (Denise), Anissa, April, and Annette (Mansfield, OH), Wade Ellis (Columbus); Stephanie M. (Nilaja) Jones (Atlanta, GA); Tiana Ellis, Destiny and Torion (Columbus); Michael Malik (Jodi) Jones (Santa Clarita, CA); Faith (Joshua) Redd Walker (Arlington, VA); Dylan Jones (Austin, Texas), Haley Jones (Seattle, WA), Trevor Jones (Austin, Texas); Jarren Priestly and Vincent Jones (Columbus), Tressia Priestly (Columbus, OH); Tene' 'Toni' Jones (Atlanta, GA) and Teresa Wells (Las Vegas, NV).





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DUE TO COVID 19 WE AS A FAMILY FEEL IT IS SAFEST FOR US ALL TO SHELTER IN PLACE BUT GRIEVE TOGETHER. VIA THE MODERN TECHNOLOGY PROVISIONS OF ZOOM. WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT. With love,

> The Jones Family **Arrangements**

OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS, MEMORIES, OR WORDS OF COMFORT WILL BE AVAILLABLE IMMEDIATELY AFTER ZOOM FUNERAL SERVICE PLEASE STAY CONNECTED.

Online obituary. Virtual Photo Tribute, condolences: HTTPS://WWW.THECHAPELOFPEACE.COM/BETTIE-DELORES-GRIFFIN-JONES/

