

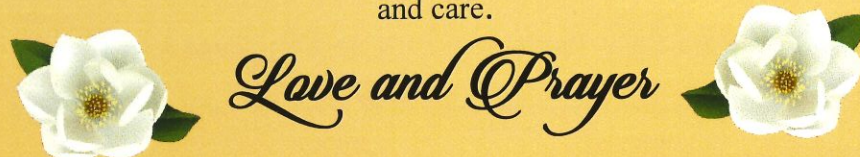
The Family Bond



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Acknowledgments

The family of Mrs. Juanita P. Jones gratefully acknowledges your prayers, visits, phone calls, expressions of sympathy and other acts of kindness. May God continue to bless you and keep you in His love and care.



Love and Prayer

Saying we miss you Mom, Grandma, Aunt Juanita, JP, Ms. Jones is very understated, but we can rest assured she knew without a doubt that she was Loved by us and most importantly by God. Mom told us many times how God's Love opened doors and opportunities that she thought were impossible. It's human nature to question but prayer and Love made the difference. All of her life we knew, felt and witnessed her love to us and others. Her Love greeted strangers and made them feel welcome to her home and surroundings anytime. Love and prayer that sustained her as each child grew and began own lives. The passing of family and friends, when we thought she could not continue but prayers and love kept her strong. Her Love of us was expressed. When she was able, if we were sick, a phone call would not do, she had to see us for herself. If the miles were many, she would get someone to drive her. On-time, If you told her you would be at the house at a certain time and you were not, You would receive calls asking about your were about from her. If you did not answer the phone, she would track you down (without the use of a computer), prayer beyond measure and Love. Yes, these and other things we will miss, yet our memories of her guidance, teaching, Love and prayer will carry on. In her English class, you had to have references, here is ours: 92 years of Love and prayer with over 63 years as a parent/grandparent/great, 42 years as a teacher and all the students she taught, over 80 years serving in the church and community. This is our first-hand knowledge to the wonderful power of Love and Prayer.

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A Celebration of Life



Juanita P. Jones
"JP"

Sunrise
July 5, 1928

Sunset
January 10, 2021



*"Fear thou not; for I am with thee:
be not dismayed; for I am thy God:
I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee;
yea, I will uphold thee with the right
hand of my righteousness."*

Isaiah 41:10

Order of Service

Friday, January 15, 2021 ~ 12:00 pm
Brooklyn Memorial Garden
NC Hwy 242 S.
Bladenboro, NC 28320

Reverend Gregory Taylor, Pastor Officiating

Prelude

Scripture Reading

Old Testament	Psalm 91
New Testament	Romans 8:28

Prayer of Comfort

Solo

Rev. Harry Hines

Acknowledgements & Church Resolutio Deaconess Claretha Lacy

Eulogy

Rev. Gregory Taylor

Service of Committal.....Rev. Gregory Taylor

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me now, I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy;
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah, yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me to know, He set me free.

Reflection of a Phenomenal Woman

Juanita Purdy Jones, daughter of the late Thomas

Memory and Rosa Lewis Purdy was born on July 5, 1928 in Bladen County North Carolina and was called to be with the Lord on January 10, 2021.

At an early age she dedicated her life to Christ. She was an active member of First Baptist Church of Bladenboro where began as a pianist for Sunday School. She continued faithful service as an accomplished musician and organist for youth, AC Jones Chorale, senior and male choirs for 75 years. She never accepted compensation during her musical service to the church. For 46 of the 75 years, she was the musician for two churches, First Baptist Missionary Baptist Church and Bryant Swamp Missionary Baptist Church. She served many years in Bladen County Union #2 - president, missionary department, union circle, Lumber River Baptist Association and scholarship committees. At First Baptist she was also on: Program and Budget, Nominating, Necrology and volunteered for the Loving Hands Day Care. Within the community she was the one of the founding organizers and Chairperson (until late 2020) of Brooklyn Memorial Garden Foundation, Spaulding-Monroe Alumni Association and Bladen County Retired School Personnel.

She received numerous awards, certificates and recognition for services rendered in the music ministry, education, church and community. In January 2015, she received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

Juanita graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in Clarkton, NC. She received her bachelor's degree in English from Shaw University in Raleigh, NC. She taught English and French in Bladen County NC from 1949 to 1991 at Spaulding Monroe High School (1949-1967) and Bladenboro High School (1968-1991).

The Love of Family

Juanita' s family love and devotion. She was married to the late Benjamin H. Jones; three children; Bonita Walters (deceased), Jerome Jones (Carolyn) and David Jones (Dorothy). Grandchildren: Angela Jones, Rico Odom, Shaune Walters, Carmen Jones and Tiffany Bashya (Richard). Great grands; KaRonne McNeill, Rayel Odom, Tonishka Adams, Cameron Adams and Anthony Bashya. In addition to a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other family and friends she loved.



Juanita Loved the Lord. She showed this in the love in compassion for caring and encouraging others. As a parent, family leader, Christian and teacher, she wanted the best for everyone. Statements to motivate with love and kind words were often used: "you can do better than this", "is this your best", and "are you shortchanging God". Those who knew her have knowledge of this and she stood steadfast for what was righteous and right. Throughout her life she walked with and knew God was ever present in her life. She prayed and was blessed to see the evidence of her prayers in all of us today.