



Janice C. Williams

April 30, 1945 - May 17, 2023

Peacefully, on May 17 Janice Lynn Choate entered the arms of the savior. Her father William Choate, her mother Gertrude A. Choate, son Samuel Sylvanius Byrd Jr. preceded her in death.

Janice was a native of Portsmouth Va. and graduated from I.C. Norcom High School. She continued her higher education at Virginia State College, than graduated from Norfolk State University, where she crossed the burning sands of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. She went on to receive her master's degree in social work. She used her education to teach in Portsmouth Public Schools. She was a social worker for the Penal system in New York state and retired from the city of Chesapeake.

Janice had vast interests she was outgoing and never met a stranger. She especially loved the group she founded called Ladies of Distinction. They are 20 years in existence and still going strong.

She was a long time member of Zion Baptist Church where Dr. Kelvin E. Turner Sr. is pastor.

She leaves to cherish her memory her loving daughter Denise Byrd, grandson Brian Brown, Matriarch Aunt Sara Brown, niece Deborah Clark, cousins Leon Whitehurst and Jaris Roberts. She also leaves to mourn a host of family and

friends.

Special loved ones to recognize: Samuel Byrd Sr. and Wallace Ray Holliday.

Luke 23:43 And Jesus said unto him, "Verily I say unto thee, to day shalt thou be with me in paradise"

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 25. 11:00 AM (ET)

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services Chapel
1248 N. George Washington Hwy
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall

CW

“ To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Denise, Ms. Jarvis and Deborah, Thank you for sharing Janice with me. I absolutely love her. Her sense of humor, facial expressions, conversations, her beautiful smile and laughter. God bless you all and be of good courage.



Chelse (Brown) Williams - June 17, 2023 at 12:55 AM

BL

“ Sending love and prayers to you Denise. I will always memories of your mother going to Ruby Tuesday ordering all you eat salad ,crab cakes and our favorite drink. Stay strong Janice is in a better place. I will always love you. Remembering Janice saying don't forget April 30th.God is going to give you strength. I know he answers prayers. Call me if you need anything. Much ❤️ love

Brenda LundySutton - May 25, 2023 at 11:28 AM

BL

“ Brenda LundySutton lit a candle in memory of Janice C. Williams



Brenda LundySutton - May 25, 2023 at 11:20 AM

RC

“ I will always love you my sweet loving auntie.

Roshowndra Clark-Richburg - May 25, 2023 at 09:38 AM

RC

“ *Roshowndra Clark-Richburg lit a candle in memory of Janice C. Williams*



Roshowndra Clark-Richburg - May 25, 2023 at 09:35 AM

GW

“ *Good by dear Effingham neighborhood friend.
I will always remember the wonderful friendship and fun we shared growing up.
Rest in peace.
Your friend Gwendolyn Pope Wicks*

Gwen Wicks - May 24, 2023 at 11:29 PM

AK

“ *Alicia King lit a candle in memory of Janice C. Williams*



Alicia M. King - May 24, 2023 at 08:42 PM



“ *My prayers are with the family and friends of Janice. We grew up together and attended Carver Homes School. -Frances Ann Lee*

Ronette Jacobs - May 24, 2023 at 03:12 PM

AK

With heartfelt sympathy, wishing you and your family peace and comfort in the midst of your sorrow. Alicia

Alicia M. King - May 24, 2023 at 08:49 PM

QW

“ *Janice and I have been friends for a long time. I will truly miss her. We always joking with each other and always there for each. Denise stay strong in the Lord. The Ladies of Distinction will always be there for you. Queen Wiggins*

Queen J Wiggins - May 23, 2023 at 03:46 PM

SB

“ *A true friend has gone on to Glory. Blessings to the family.*

Shirley Broadie - May 23, 2023 at 01:38 PM

JS

“ *Our deepest thoughts and prayers are with the Choate family in this very challenging time. Fond memories from the neighborhood (Duke Street).*

The Faines Family - James L Faines, Jr and Juanita Faines Stinson



Juanita Stinson - May 23, 2023 at 01:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Janice C. Williams.*



May 23, 2023 at 12:34 PM

DK

“ My condolences and prayers are extended to the family of Janice C. Williams. She was always a joyful friend when we both resided in New York City. Janice was very instrumental assisting and providing challenging students in Community School District 13 New York Board of Education with unlimited social services. She was all about assisting others.
Dr. J. Leon Knight



Dr. J. Leon Knight - May 23, 2023 at 10:53 AM

AS

“ The I C Norcom Classes of 63 send condolences to the Family of Janice Choate Williams.
“Let the work I have done speak for me!”
With prayer and blessings. 🙏
Robert Epps, President
Classes of 63



Amy Falex Eley Shields - May 23, 2023 at 09:36 AM

G'

“ Geneva Fennell-Class of '63 lit a candle in memory of Janice C. Williams



Geneva Peanort Fennell-Class of '63 - May 22, 2023 at 05:00 PM

RF

“ Sending love and prayers to family of my lifetime friend, Janice.

Rev Joyce Foster - May 22, 2023 at 02:59 PM

CG

“ To The Family Of Janice C Williams, my heartfelt sympathy is with you as you grieve your loss. I remember the I C Norcom days- Janice was fun at school. I know she will greatly missed.



Carolyn Glover - May 22, 2023 at 02:37 PM

AM

“ Arlene Mattai lit a candle in memory of Janice C. Williams



Arlene Mattai - May 22, 2023 at 01:24 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Janice C. Williams.



May 22, 2023 at 12:57 PM