



Joyce Jones Hoskie

January 4, 1948 - June 4, 2017

Joyce Lee Jones was born on January 4, 1948 in Portsmouth, Virginia, to the late Harry Lee Jones and Genevieve Jones. Her childhood was typical for her time, growing up on Manley Street, nurtured by loving parents, a devoted grandmother and a doting Aunt Audrey. She graduated from I.C. Norcom High School and attended Hampton University, formerly Hampton Institute. Head over heels in love, she later transferred to Norfolk State University to be with her high school sweetheart, James Richard Hoskie, whom she soon married. Joyce earned a BA Degree in Education and began her life as an educator, wife, and mother of two children, Richard and Michelle.

Joyce was an exceptional teacher who was repeatedly recognized for her work. After 36 years of devoted service, she retired from Portsmouth Public Schools in 2007. She was a unique individual with a variety of talents including cooking, sewing, flower arranging and decorating. Joyce had an entrepreneurial spirit that led her to sell anything from tee shirts to stuffed animals from the truck or on the side of the road. She had a thousand ideas and she was willing to discuss them with anyone who shared her enthusiasm. She was successful as “Sweetie the Clown” entertaining and painting little faces at children's parties. Her energy was boundless and her love for people was infectious.

Joyce brought that same energy to Third Baptist. She worked on various

committees and projects including the after-school tutorial program, focusing on students who were having difficulty with math, Seeing a need to engage more youth, Joyce created the church's first Praise Dance Team. She scheduled practices, designed and sewed the dance attire, provided transportation, and set up workshops with neighboring churches. Liturgical dance was just coming into vogue and Joyce saw to it that Third Baptist was included in the trend.

In March 2011, a debilitating illness interrupted the life style of Joyce Jones Hoskie, but did little to destroy her spirit. From her bed, she was still interested in the welfare of her family and friends. She thoroughly enjoyed having visitors whom she questioned about everything from the weather to the latest gossip. Her beloved Richard unselfishly cared for her night and day until he suddenly passed away in 2015.

Left to cherish her memory are her loving mother, Mrs. Genevieve Jones; an attentive daughter and caregiver, Michelle, a loving son, Richard; three siblings: Joseph Edgerton, Harold Jones and Kimberly Jones; three grandchildren, Alexia Moore, Jaman Hoskie, and India Hoskie; one great-grandchild, Aaleigha Moore, cousins, nieces, nephews and many, many friends.

Cemetery Details

Albert G Horton Jr. Veterans Memorial Cemetery

5310 Milner's Road
Suffolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
(757) 487-3700
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Service

JUN 8. 12:00 PM (ET)

Third Baptist Church
461 Godwin St
Portsmouth, VA 23704
(757) 393-9312

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Joyce Jones Hoskie



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - June 07, 2017 at 06:34 PM

MC

Sorry for your loss

margo cox - June 09, 2017 at 09:11 PM



Best 4th grade teacher! I loved Ms. Hoskie so much! I visited her often @Golden Living and she always remembered me. Rest sweetly Ms. Hoskie! I'm so sorry for your loss family. She is resting in the bosom of Jesus Christ 🕊️📖🕊️🕊️

Renee Wicks - August 26, 2017 at 10:13 AM

CJ

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Joyce. She was a very sweet spirit, always having a wonderful smile for you.



Carolyn Y. Johnson-Jones - June 13, 2017 at 11:28 AM

DM

“ I was so sad to hear of Joyce's passing. Her beautiful smile, caring nature, and sweetness will always be remembered. I witnessed many times when she would go out of her way to be sure others were comfortable and happy. She was truly special and an excellent teacher who was loved by her students, her administrators, parents, and co-workers. May God bring peace to her family that will take them through this time of bereavement.

Doris Lewis Langaster McNeal

Doris L. McNeal - June 09, 2017 at 08:32 AM



“ Mary Newby lit a candle in memory of Joyce Jones Hoskie



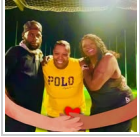
Mary Newby - June 08, 2017 at 01:17 AM




GE

“ George&Pamela Easter lit a candle in memory of Joyce Jones Hoskie



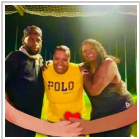
George&Pamela Easter - June 07, 2017 at 10:13 PM







“  Prayers for Comfort to the Family 
I'm so sorry for your loss 



Renee Wicks - June 07, 2017 at 03:04 PM



“ Ms. Hoskie was my 4th grade teacher @
Westhaven Elementary and she was a
Teacher that was Always Dear to my . God
Bless you as you enter into eternal rest.  No
more pain. With My Deepest Heartfelt
Condolences.  Prayers for Peace 



Renee Wicks - June 07, 2017 at 03:02 PM



“ Mark Lee & GLOTECH family purchased the Pink
Tribute Spray for the family of Joyce Jones
Hoskie.



Mark Lee & GLOTECH family - June 07, 2017 at 02:50 PM

TS

“Joyce was a beautiful person both inside and out. She gave so much of herself not only to her family but to the many children she taught and mentored. She was woman of many talents who shared it freely with others. Take your well deserved rest. Prayers and love to the family. Theresa, Alisa and Alina



Theresa Saunders-Smith - June 07, 2017 at 01:57 PM

MB

“Mary Bellamy lit a candle in memory of Joyce Jones Hoskie



Mary Bellamy - June 07, 2017 at 11:56 AM



“32 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - June 07, 2017 at 11:28 AM

M(

“Joyce was a very special lady. When she was in Portsmouth General hospital years ago I was a volunteer. I went by one day and sung to her. After that day whenever I was there she asked that I come in and sing to her. She told me later that I assisted in her getting better. Whenever she saw me she always shared that and thanked me for being there for her. I shall never forget her! She was a beautiful lady inside and out!! God has another Angel in heaven!!



Min. Mary (Theus)Sorrell - June 07, 2017 at 07:26 AM



“Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Joyce Jones Hoskie.



June 07, 2017 at 07:23 AM

RW

“I met Joyce in 1964 while a 6th grade student in her mother's class. I believed in my mind, that I was going to be the baby when she went off to college. But that did not happen....then came BIG HEADED HARRELL. He was adored by us all and I became a permanent member of the family. May the Spirit of God encompass your Spirits as you mourn the loss of your daughter, sister, mother and friend. We shall meet again!



Rev. Ceceilia Whitehead-Jones - June 06, 2017 at 02:21 PM

MW

“ It was a pleasure knowing you all these years. You were a great grandmother to our grand children. May you rest in peace the battle is over now. Sending my prayers and Love to the family. Mary Brown

Mary Brown Williams - June 06, 2017 at 02:06 PM

EM

“ Joyce and I began our friendship at EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH, as; young children growing up. We sang in the "Angelic Choir" together where the Church's First GOSPEL Album was recorded.



My Condolences, and Prayers are given to the Family...Mrs. Jones, Harold, Kim and Joyce's Children.

My heart is saddened. 1st Thess. 4:13, 18

Concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. Wherefore Comfort one another with these Words. GOD created a BEAUTIFUL person; "Joyce", who LOVED Him and SERVED Him, FAITHFULLY!

"FAMILY.... WEEP NOT, WEEP NOT, SHE'S NOT DEAD!.... SHE'S RESTING IN THE BOSOM OF JESUS".

IN HIS NAME, 🙏

Ethel Loretta Miller

Ethel Loretta Miller - June 06, 2017 at 06:42 AM

RS

I was sorry to learn of the passing of Joyce. She and I grew up in Ebenezer Baptist Church. Not only a teacher, Joyce was a jack of many trades. She really enjoyed creating greeting cards and floral arrangements. I still have a beautiful floral arrangement she did for me over twenty years ago. It will always be my reminder of her sweet gentle spirit. She is now being the heavenly clown for children in heaven . This too was a talent she enjoyed. Children she touched while teaching will miss her as well.

Rest on Joyce until we meet again.

Love,

*Your Childhood Ebenezer Baptist Church Friend,
Regina Long Southall*

Regina Long Southall - June 06, 2017 at 11:59 AM

BC

JOYCE WAS A LIVING ANGEL. IT WAS MY PLEASURE TO KNOW HER AS A YOUNG PERSON AS A TEACHER WHO TAUGHT ONE OF CHILDREN IN SCHOOL,BUT MOST OF ALL AS ONE YOU COULD ALWAYS CALL FRIEND. BLESSINGS TO HER LOVING FAMILY. 🌸🌸🌸🌸🌸🌸🌸🌸

BRENDA CARTER - June 06, 2017 at 10:34 PM

KJ

*Joyce's memory will live on within my heart. My prayers and condolences go out to Aunt Gee, Kim, Michelle, Harold and all family and friends that were fortunate enough to be touched by Joyce's kind and loving spirit. In times like this, I'm reminded that the CREATOR has the master plan. Rest in Peace, Joyce
From Kent and the Jennings family*

Kent Jennings - June 08, 2017 at 03:30 PM

MB

I had the pleasure of meeting Ms. Hoskie when we worked together at Cradock Middle School during summer school. We communicated as if we had known each other for years. She had a sweet spirit, an infectious smile and was a joy to be around. To the family, please accept my deepest condolences. May God be with you'll until you meet again...

Merita Brinkley - June 12, 2017 at 08:46 AM