



Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford

January 6, 1937 - July 23, 2020

Mary was born January 6, 1937 in Church Hill, MS, the daughter of Excelena Tyler Jones and Silas Jones, Sr. She attended Stratford Career Institute and was a homemaker. Mrs. Ford was a member of Smithland Baptist Church where she sang in the choir and served as choir treasurer for several years and later joined the mother's board. Mary also served as first lady of Egypt Baptist Church, Jerusalem Baptist Church, Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church, all in Natchez, Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church of Vidalia, LA, Union Baptist Church in Perrytown, MS and St. John Baptist Church in Woodville, MS. She enjoyed reading her Bible, spending time with family, Shopping, going to church, traveling and doing interior design.

She is preceded in death by her parents; four brothers James Albert Jones, Sam Jones, Merrick Jones, and Charles Edward Jones; two sisters, Emma January and Mary Joyce Robinson; father-in-law, Charlie Ford, Sr.; two mothers-in-law, Mariah Gray Ford and Theresa Ford; three brothers-in-law, Charlie Ford, Jr., Rev. Wilson Ford, Sr., and James Robinson; seven sisters-in-law, Rosie Lee Ford, Laura Ford, Helen Ford, Ella D. Smith, Louise Jones, Annie Mae Williams, Charlotte Jones, Emma Jean Kaho, and Mittie Ford; two granddaughters, Crystal Latishia Fisher and Mary Ann Ford and one godson, Michael Pernell.

She leaves to cherish her memories: a loving and devoted husband of 64 years, Rev. Dr. Ernest Ford, Sr.; three sons, Rev. Ernest Ford, Jr. and wife Jacqueline, Jerry Ford and wife Shuwanda and Edward Ford and wife Sonya

all of Natchez; eight daughters, Helen Pullins of Kenner, LA, Deloris Fisher and husband Marvin of Dan Diego, CA, Gloria Brown and husband Wilson of Hinesville, GA, Rosie Harris and husband Rev. W. D., Edna Hunt and husband Rev. Samuel, Jacqueline Hargrave and husband Paul, Glenda Abbott and husband Johnny, Pamela Schoby and husband Barney, and a bonus daughter, Sandra Trimble and husband Lyndell; two brothers, Silas Jones, Jr. and wife Rose Marie of Natchez and Theodore Jones of Kenner, LA; one sister, Gloria Jackson of Kenner, LA; 34 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; brother-in-law Charles Kaho of Natchez; sisters-in-law Florean Jones, Janie Jones, Bertha Bernard and husband Percy, Willie Mae Clemons and Carolyn Anderson and husband Ray all of Natchez; one goddaughter, Stephanie Wilson of Baton Rouge, LA and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Online condolences may be sent to www.westgatefh.com

Cemetery Details

Smithland Baptist Church Cemetery

1360 US-61
Natchez, MS 39120

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

West Gate Funeral Home (Natchez)
409 N Martin Luther King Jr Street
Natchez, MS 39120
(601) 445-2008
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<https://westgatefuneralhome.com>

Graveside Service

AUG 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

Smithland Baptis Church
1360 Hwy 61 N
Natchez, MS 39120

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*

September 17, 2022 at 03:10 AM



“ *Hattiepoole lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



hattiepoole - June 13, 2021 at 09:05 PM



“ *Freddie & Bettie Ward lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Freddie & Bettie Ward - August 02, 2020 at 02:11 AM



“ *Pastor Eugene Prater & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Pastor Eugene Prater & Family - August 01, 2020 at 09:19 AM

BW

“ *Frank & Beverly Woods. A Beautiful person.*



Beverly Woods - July 31, 2020 at 11:08 PM

ND

“ *Nancy Dixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Nancy Dixon - July 31, 2020 at 10:50 PM

 Maxine Railey

“ *Maxine Railey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Maxine Railey - July 31, 2020 at 09:19 PM

CP

“ *Catherine Pollard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Catherine Pollard - July 31, 2020 at 07:31 PM

SM

“ Shirley Mazique lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford



Shirley Mazique - July 31, 2020 at 05:24 PM

JL

“ Joyce Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford



Joyce lewis - July 31, 2020 at 04:57 PM

RW

“ Praying fervently for the family. We will miss a Model First Lady, a Christian, a wife, a mother, an aunt and a dear family member! We send love, prayers and thoughts to all of her family.



Richard & Voletta P. Williams - July 31, 2020 at 11:04 AM

ES

Our deepest sympathy, love and prayers continue for our beloved Ford Family in the loss of your beautiful wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, aunt, and cousin Mary. May God strengthen with His comfort, love and memories.

Pastor John and Ethel Scott and family and cousins, the Green family.



Ethel Scott - July 31, 2020 at 11:35 AM

CJ

“ Creston Jones purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen
Jones Ford.



Creston Jones - July 31, 2020 at 09:45 AM

JG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you "God
Will Take Care Of All Of You "
Rev. Fird & Juanita Grover
New Orleans, Louisiana



JUANITA GROVER - July 30, 2020 at 11:08 PM

HF

“ Hannon Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Mary Ellen Jones Ford



Hannon Family - July 30, 2020 at 06:10 PM

HF

“ *To Our Dear Sister N Law,
Mrs. Glenda Ford Abbott and family~*

*The heart ❤️ aches for what it has loved and lost.
So gently wrap yourself in the warm memories of your mother.
Let your mothers love that held you close continue to bring you
strength and comfort.
For the most treasured possessions of a loved one is a heart full of
loving memories.*

Wishing you comfort in the lost of your Mother~

With Sympathy

Your In-Laws

Julius Willis Hannon & Debra Cain Hannon

Kenny Ray Hannon

Joycee Hannon Tyler

Hannon Family - July 30, 2020 at 05:26 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased
for the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford.*



July 30, 2020 at 05:03 PM

BH

“ *The Ford family have my deepest and heartfelt sympathy. Sister Ford will truly be missed. My prayers and thoughts are with the Family during this time and many weeks to come.*

*Bobbie J. Harris & Bobbie's Printing & Etc.
Mt. Pleasant M. B. Church
Centreville, MS*



Bobbie J Harris - July 30, 2020 at 09:26 AM

TS

“ *Sending condolences to the entire Ford family. From Primrose Spencer and Sarah Drake. Rose hill B.C. of Woodville,MS*



Tiffany Spencer-Lollis - July 30, 2020 at 08:19 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford.*



July 30, 2020 at 01:10 AM

WH

“ West Gate Funeral Home and staff extends our deepest sympathy to your family. Hold tight to memories for comfort, lean on your family and friends for strength, and always remember how much love and joy Miss Mary brought into your lives and hearts. We will continue to keep the family in our prayers.

WEST GATE FUNERAL HOME - July 29, 2020 at 04:11 PM

TM

“ the Family of Doretha & Willie Mae purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford.



the Family of Doretha & Willie Mae - July 29, 2020 at 03:38 PM

JK

“ James and Sheila King purchased the Beautiful i n Blue for the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford.



James and Sheila King - July 29, 2020 at 03:02 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford.



July 28, 2020 at 03:02 PM

CM

“ *Cordelia McMorris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Cordelia McMorris - July 28, 2020 at 02:47 PM

SM

“ *Sabrina McMorris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Sabrina McMorris - July 28, 2020 at 02:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford.*



July 28, 2020 at 02:35 PM

CS

“ *Cornelia Shields lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Cornelia Shields - July 26, 2020 at 03:23 PM

WH

“ *WEST GATE FUNERAL HOME lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



WEST GATE FUNERAL HOME - July 26, 2020 at 02:28 PM



“ *Betty Prater lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Betty Prater - July 24, 2020 at 11:13 AM

PB

“ *Peggy Bacon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Jones Ford*



Peggy Bacon - July 23, 2020 at 02:49 PM