



## Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans

September 16, 1960 - April 15, 2026

Viola was born on September 16, 1960, in Natchez, the daughter of Emma and Audley Davis. She was a 1978 graduate of North Natchez High School and a 1982 graduate of Dillard University, where she received her bachelor's degree. She was employed with the Natchez-Adams School District as a Data Clerk. Viola was a member of Greater Macedonia Baptist Church, where she served in the Missionary Ministry, the Senior Choir, and as the Youth Choir Director. She was also a member of the Zeta Delta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. In her spare time, she enjoyed spending time with her friends, watching tennis, and extending kindness to others.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Kenneth Charles Hogans, Jr.; God-father, Johnny Walker; God-brother, Chris Walker; and an aunt and uncle, Georgia and Allen Oliver.

Viola leaves to cherish her memories: daughter, Kristin Hogans; fur baby, Zoe' Hogans; god-mother, Catherine Walker; God-children; the family of her late husband, Kenneth Charles Hogans, Jr.; sorority sisters, other relatives, and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Natchez National Cemetery

41 Cemetery Road  
Natchez, MS 39120

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **24**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral

APR **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Greater Macedonia Baptist Church  
33 Minor Street  
Natchez, MS 39120

## Burial

APR **27**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Natchez National Cemetery  
41 Cemetery Road  
Natchez, MS 39120

# Tribute Wall

DP

“ *To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. My condolences to Renay's family and friends.* ”

Debra Foster Greene, PhD - May 04 at 02:24 PM

RC

“ *Roslyn D Carter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans* ”



Roslyn D Carter - May 01 at 05:48 PM

AG

“ *Alease Gooseberry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans* ”



Alease Gooseberry - April 26 at 09:43 AM

AB

“ *Angela B. Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans* ”



Angela B. Brooks - April 24 at 08:54 PM

AB

“ *Angela B. Brooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans*



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**Angela B. Brooks** - April 24 at 08:52 PM

AB

*Rest well, Renay.* 🙏

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**Angela B. Brooks** - April 24 at 08:54 PM

RA

“ *I will never forget your smiling face. I enjoyed working with you for so many years.*



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**Rosetta Anderson** - April 24 at 03:34 PM

DB

“ *Dornedia Brown lit a candle in memory of of Renay.*



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**Dornedia Brown** - April 24 at 08:34 AM

GJ

“ Gwendolyn S. Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Gwendolyn S. Jackson - April 24 at 05:07 AM



“ Rondey Logan Sr. lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Rondey Logan Sr. - April 23 at 11:51 PM

DF

“ Denise Ford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Denise Ford - April 23 at 09:12 PM

SH

“ Condolences to Kristin and family. I love you and I'm always here for you. 🙏❤️🙏



Shelia Hickingbottom - April 23 at 08:35 PM

DS

“ *Diane Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Viola Renay Hogans*



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**Diane Smith** - April 23 at 04:38 PM

TB

“ Today, we honor and celebrate the life of a truly remarkable woman whose presence left an unforgettable mark on so many hearts.

*To Kristin and family, I offer my deepest and most heartfelt condolences during this time of loss. Your mother was an extraordinary woman whose love, wisdom, and grace touched countless lives—mine included.*

*She was not only my sorority sister, but also my sponsor, mentor, and friend. She played a vital role in shaping my journey within our sisterhood and in life. Through her guidance, encouragement, and unwavering support, she exemplified the true meaning of sisterhood, service, and love. Her wisdom uplifted me, her kindness embraced me, and her strength inspired me.*

*The bond we shared was one I will forever treasure. She welcomed me with open arms, led by example, and poured into my life in ways that words can scarcely express. Because of her, I am stronger, wiser, and forever grateful.*

*While our hearts are heavy with sorrow, we also rejoice in knowing that her legacy lives on—in the lives she influenced, the love she gave, and the example she set. She leaves behind a beautiful testimony of grace, dignity, and devotion that will continue to inspire all who knew her.*

*May we find comfort in the cherished memories we hold and peace in knowing that her life was a blessing to us all.*

*She will be deeply missed, lovingly remembered, and forever honored.*

*With love and sympathy,  
Mr. & Mrs. Al and Tangela Blanks*

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**Tangela Blanks** - April 23 at 05:19 AM



“ *Juanita G Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans*



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**Juanita G Jones** - April 22 at 10:31 AM



“ *Marilyn Alexander-Turner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans*



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**Marilyn Alexander-Turner** - April 22 at 07:57 AM



“ *Debbie Myles lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans*



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**Debbie Myles** - April 20 at 08:44 PM

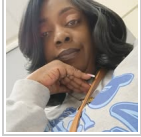


“ *Oliver Lynette Stewart lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans*



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**Oliver Lynette Stewart** - April 20 at 12:52 AM



“ *Sending our deepest condolences and sympathy to our cousin Kristin💕 We the "Sims" family love you and will be here for you always💕*



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**Kimberly Sims-Beckem** - April 19 at 09:15 PM



“ *My condolences to Kristin and the family. Renay you' ll be missed. I will forever cherish your memories.*



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**Johnell and Brenda Jarvis** - April 19 at 04:25 PM



“ *Rosie W Varnado lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans*



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**Rosie W Varnado** - April 18 at 05:50 PM



“ *Juanita G Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans*



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**Juanita G Jones** - April 18 at 12:12 PM

RS

“ Prayers and Condolences to the Families 🙏



Robert & Laura Smith - April 17 at 07:51 PM

ML

“ Maggie Lewis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Maggie Lewis - April 17 at 10:57 AM

GJ

“ Gwendolyn S. Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Gwendolyn S. Jackson - April 17 at 05:33 AM

LF

“ Soror Renay rest in paradise. Thanks for the special moments and laughs while working in NASD. Your knowledge and genuine concern for education meant so much. Sisterly Soror Lorraine 🙏❤️



Lorraine Fleming Franklin - April 16 at 10:52 PM

LF

“ Lorraine Fleming Franklin sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



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**Lorraine Fleming Franklin** - April 16 at 10:39 PM

DS

“ Dessie Stewart lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



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**Dessie Stewart** - April 16 at 09:04 PM

YB

“ Lit a candle in memory of Mrs Viola Renay Hogans



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**Yvonne Blanton** - April 16 at 06:48 PM

BS

“ B Gail Scott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



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**B Gail Scott** - April 16 at 02:25 PM

GG

“ Georgia Green lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Georgia Green - April 16 at 11:47 AM

PR

“ Penny Rachal lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Penny Rachal - April 16 at 05:04 AM

WS

“ Walidah Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Walidah Smith - April 15 at 10:22 PM

MK

“ Myra King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans



Myra King - April 15 at 10:02 PM

WH

“ *West Gate Funeral Home lit a candle in  
memory of Mrs. Viola Renay Hogans*



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**West Gate Funeral Home** - April 15 at 07:17 PM