

Acknowledgements

We wish to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy. The love and support you have shown us have given us comfort through this difficult time. It is deeply appreciated and will be remembered by the family of
Eddie F. Jones, Sr.

We pray for God's continued blessings upon each of you.

Honorary Floral Bearers

Members of Order of the Eastern Star
Jones High School Class of 1961

Honorary Pall Bearers

Members of Mizpah Temple #66
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Celebrating the Life of Eddie Franklin Jones, Sr.

Command Sergeant Major, US Army, Retired

March 11, 1943 - June 6, 2022



Saturday, June 11, 2022

1:00 PM

King's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church

127 Haiti Street | Trenton, North Carolina

Reverend Gordon Marshall, Officiating

Carrons Funeral Home, Directing

To Those I Love and To
Those Who Loved Me"

When I am gone, release me, and let me go....

I have so many things to see and do.

You must not tie yourself to me with tears.

Be thankful for our many beautiful years.

I have given to you my love.

*You can only guess how much you gave to me in
happiness.*

I thank you for the love you each have shown

But now it's time I traveled alone.

So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must.

Then let your grief be comforted by trust.

It's only for a time that we must part,

So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on.

So if you need me, call and I will come

though you can't see or touch me.

I'll be near and if you listen with your heart,

You'll hear all my love around you soft and clear,

And then when you come this way alone,

I'll greet you with a smile and say:

"Welcome Home"



The Obituary

Jackie Robinson said, "A life is not important except in the impact it has on others."

Until the day he peacefully transitioned to his heavenly home on June 6, 2022, Eddie Franklin Jones, Sr., lived his life in such a way that positively impacted others. A father to many and a friend to his community, Eddie's greatest joy was to see someone experience success and betterment.

Born on March 11, 1943 in Trenton, NC, Eddie was the third of five sons of the late John Jones, Jr., and Blanche Whitfield Jones. His brothers, Isaac and Leslie preceded him in death. He and his family exhibited excellence, hard work, care and concern for others, and love and commitment to one another. At an early age, Eddie was baptized at Hills Chapel Missionary Baptist Church.

Eddie was educated in the Jones County Public Schools and upon graduation attended Elizabeth City State Teachers College. In 1963, his education at Elizabeth City State was interrupted when two life-altering events occurred. First, he married his high school sweetheart, Zesta "Skeet" Boone. They remained married for 42 years until her death. This loving union was blessed with three children: Renee, Eddie, Jr., and Zesta, who as an infant also preceded him in death. Second, he enlisted in the United States Army where he served for 26 years. His military career was marked by numerous accolades, and he retired at the rank of Command Sergeant Major.

Upon his discharge, Eddie and Skeet returned to North Carolina, settling in Goldsboro where Eddie worked as a Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) instructor at Goldsboro High School, opened his own realty company, and was employed with the Army & Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES), retiring after many years as a civil servant at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base.

Eddie's love for his hometown of Trenton was apparent to all who knew him. He was a faithful servant in his home church, Hills Chapel where he worked tirelessly as a Trustee. He was a community activist, serving as President of the Jones County Coming Together in Unity organization until his death. Eddie maintained membership in several fraternal organizations holding various positions and offices. He was a member of the Standard Lodge #134, Prince Hall Masons in Trenton, NC and a Grand Inspector General (33°) of the Milton L. Fitch Consistory #43 in Wilson, NC. He was a Past Potentate of the Mizpah Temple #66 in Goldsboro, NC and a member of several other houses. His later years were full and gratifying with his devoted wife, Doretha Kent Jones. They especially enjoyed volunteering, traveling, and attending conventions together.

Eddie will be remembered most as a man of principle, a man with an outstretched hand to pull others up, and a man who had strong and unwavering love for his family. In addition to his wife, Doretha Kent Jones of Wilson, NC; his daughter, Renee Taylor (Stan) of LaGrange, NC; and his son, Eddie Jones, Jr. (Releata) of Knightdale, NC, left to cherish his precious memories are his brothers, Donald Jones (Betty Jean) of Washington, DC, and John Jones, III (Loyce) of Raleigh, NC; brother-in-law, Melvin Boone of Pollocksville, NC; sisters-in-law, Barbara Alston of Queens, NY, Teresa Holt of Pollocksville, NC, Ronda White (David) of New Orleans, LA, Deborah Boone of Columbia, SC, and Naomi Cotton of Wilson, NC; grandchildren, Schereeya Reid (Anton), Scherita Taylor, Zachary Jones, and Cameron Waters; two great-grandchildren, and many beloved nieces, nephews, and cousins, and a community of friends.





The Order of Service

Reverend Wayne Woodard, Presider

Prelude

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Musical Selection

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Rev. Charles Dunn

Senior Pastor, Christian Faith Assembly

New Testament.....Apostle Isa Nichols

JIREH Shalom Ministries

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Wayne Woodard

Musical Selection

Church Resolution.....Hills Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

Obituary.....Please read silently.

Musical Selection

Eulogy.....Rev. Gordon Marshall

Funeral Director's Brief

Recessional



Interment with Military Honors

Haiti Cemetery
2nd Avenue | Trenton, North Carolina

