

*In Loving Memory of*



*Annabelle Jones*

*"Annie"*

*Sunrise*  
*June 5, 1936*

*Sunset*  
*April 1, 2020*

*Service*

*Tuesday, April 14, 2020 • 10:00 a.m.*

**CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME**  
256 Rosa Parks Blvd., Paterson, New Jersey  
*Rev. Randall Lassiter, Officiating*

# Reflections of Life

Annabelle Jones, was born Annie Belle Martin on June 5, 1936. She was the daughter of Hazel and Willie Martin in Phenix City, Alabama. She was the youngest of three siblings. In 1957 she migrated to Paterson, NJ with her husband Paris Jones and their young daughter, Sharon. Three more children came from their union, Garry, Jeffery and Paris, Jr.

Annabelle worked several jobs before deciding to return to school. While working at Calvary Baptist Church Preschool, she completed her Associates degree at Passaic County Community College. Soon after, she became employed as a social worker with the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS). She was a dedicated worker for many years until her retirement.

Annabelle was a devoted member of the Calvary Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ for over 50 years. She loved and accepted the Lord she proudly committed herself to his work and his people. She was involved in many of the church's ministries including Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Couples Club, Flower Club, Women's Day Committee, Roberta Johnson Guild, Shepherding Ministry as well as Evangelism and Revival Committees. She also served on various committees of The Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc. (PNBC) attending many of their conferences nationally as a representative of Calvary. She faithfully attended Tuesday's Noon Day Prayer Service and Wednesday night's Prayer Service. Lastly, she served on the Deaconess Board as its President for many years. She proudly committed to visiting the sick, serving family repasts, preparing baptisms and communion, supporting her Pastor and assisting female church members.

Her commitment to serve extended beyond the walls of the church resulting in numerous awards and recognition from the entire Paterson city community: Afro-American & Passaic County Community Service Award 1984; Paterson Task Force Community Service Award 2000; Paterson Pastors Workshop Family of the Year 2008; Board of Chosen Freeholder "Unsung Hero Award 2012"; City of Paterson Office of the Mayor's Award: Municipal Council, Mother of the Year Award 2010.

She found time to fellowship within her community. She was an active member of the Golden Keys and AARP. Also, she attended the New Jersey Black Issues Convention events. She was involved and concerned with her fellow seniors who lived in her building. She would share food, clothing and magazines and would provide transportation when able. She and her senior friends of the building would come together daily in the evenings to exchange the day's activities and laughter while playing a game of dominos.

Annabelle enjoyed shopping, cooking and traveling. She was most proud of being a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Annabelle was called home to rest on Wednesday, April 1, 2020. She was predeceased by her parents, Willie and Hazel Martin; husband, Paris Jones, Sr.; brother, Curtis Martin; sister, Doris Horsey; and grandson, Khalil Jones.

Left to cherish precious memories are her children, Sharon Jones Rudolph, Garry Jones (Rhonda Mills), Jeffery Jones (Marcia Tyrell) and Paris Jones, Jr.; grandchildren, Ayanna Facy, Sha'Rell Peele (William Peele, Jr), Raven Rudolph, Brandon Milner, Jerel Jones, Isaiah Jones, Brianna Jones and Brittany Jones; great-grandchildren, Rylee and Ryan Harrington, Madison and Makayla Peele, and Sydney Wallace; sister-in-law, Minnie Martin; and a beloved host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

*Her life's message: Can I come? Where are you going? What road are you taking? Is it a road I can travel, or should I not go? Sometimes we need to hear the word over and over again before we travel a road. Pay attention to the roads and know they will lead you.*

# *Order of Service*

Selection

Scripture Readings (family)

Prayer of Comfort (family)

Selection

Words of Comfort  
Rev. Dr. Randall M. Lassiter  
Calvary Baptist Church

## **Interment**

Fairlawn Cemetery  
22 -21 Maple Ave.  
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

## *The Master Called*

I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear.  
But you see, the master called me,  
his voice was very clear!  
I had made my reservation  
A heaven bound ticket for one,  
And I knew that He would call me  
When he felt my work was done.  
I know that your hearts are heavy  
Because I have gone away,  
But when the Master called me,  
I knew I could not stay.  
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear,  
But you see, the master called me and,  
now I'm resting here.  
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory  
And to you all I say  
Just stay in the hands of Jesus  
And we'll meet again someday.

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late **Annanbelle Jones** wishes to  
acknowledge with deep appreciation the many  
expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to our  
family during this our time of bereavement.  
May God Bless and Keep you!

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