



Ms Florene Jones Gray

July 28, 1956 - April 15, 2022

A Time to Be Born and A Time to Die

Florene Jones-Gray (also known as Flo to family and friends) was born on July 28, 1956, in Smith County, Mississippi. She was the eighth daughter of the late Curtis and Lizzie Mae Jones. Florene transitioned peacefully, with her daughter and oldest granddaughter by her side, on April 15, 2022, at Hospice Ministries in Jackson, Mississippi.

A Time to Find

Florene accepted Christ and was baptized at an early age at New Hope Baptist Church in Forest, Mississippi. Later in life, Florene united in membership with Lone Pilgrim Baptist Church in Hillsboro, Mississippi.

A Time to Plant

As a parent, my mother instilled in me a spirit of courage and perseverance that has strengthened my resolve to face life's challenges head-on and her spirit will continue to shine as my beacon of hope, even as I move through this challenging season of my life.

As a grandparent, there is absolutely no doubt that "Granny" always rose to

the occasion of being our Rock of Gibraltar.

As an aunt, Florene was known to be the life of the party, determined, strong-willed and supportive.

As a sister, Florene shared with her siblings a spirit of togetherness and unity passed down through the generations and flourished by the disciplining and teachings of her mother.

As a friend, Florene is described as being a very good listener, an encourager and motivator.

A Time to Weep

Florene leaves her fondest memories with her beloved daughter, Basha Yancy (Jarvis) of Haslet, Texas; grandchildren: Samayah Lyles, DeVontae Lyles, Jordan Yancy of Haslet, Texas, Dillon McClendon of Lawrence, Mississippi, Nyzavion McClendon of Lake, Mississippi; Her memories will also be cherished by her sisters: Jessie Sue Jones-Harvey of Jackson, MS, Charity Robinson, Linnie Kay Lofton, Betty Jones, Mae Lizzie Jones, Lorene Jones, Annie Louise Jones of Forest, MS and Josephine Pettway of Mobile, AL; and brother: John Thomas Jones (Edna) of Cleveland, OH; special aunt: Alice Robertson of Meridian, MS and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Claudell Gray, sons: Scottie Jones and Michael McClendon, sisters: Lillie Pearl Beamon and Annie Mae Jones, brothers: Curtis Jones, Jr., John Calvin Jones and Judas Lee Jones.

Cemetery Details

Lovelady Cemetery

Forest, MS

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 22. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home
745 Highway 468
Brandon, MS 39042
(601) 825-3884
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Graveside Service

APR 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

Lovelady Cemetery
Forest, MS

Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms Florene Jones Gray*



Dean Memorial Funeral Home - April 22, 2022 at 01:51 PM

DH

R.I.P my friend vDee

Dee from of hers - April 22, 2022 at 07:32 PM

ZC

R.I.P love Zippy

Zippy cousin - April 22, 2022 at 07:33 PM

LT

“ *Sending prayers and comfort to our sister Basha. We will always and forever be here for you. We love you sis.*

Cuppie, Punkin, and Tysha ❤️



LaShetta, LaShirl, Tysha - April 23, 2022 at 08:34 AM

EJ

“ *My Heart and Spirit is Extended Towards You and Your Family During this Hour of Bereavement and Grief*



Elisa R. Johnson - April 22, 2022 at 12:35 PM

JD

“ *Jane DeGreef lit a candle in memory of Ms Florene Jones Gray*



Jane DeGreef - April 19, 2022 at 05:21 PM

JD

“ *Jane DeGreef lit a candle in memory of Ms Florene Jones Gray*



Jane DeGreef - April 19, 2022 at 05:16 PM

BG

“ *Billy & Becky Gray lit a candle in memory of Ms Florene Jones Gray*



Billy & Becky Gray - April 19, 2022 at 01:53 PM

SL

“ Samayah “Pooh” Lyles lit a candle in memory of Ms Florene Jones Gray



Samayah “Pooh” Lyles - April 19, 2022 at 10:01 AM

SL

“ My “Granny”. She was the most patient, caring, and loving grandmother I could ever know. She will truly be missed, but never forgotten. Rest on grandma, until we meet again. -Love your grandchildren.

Samayah “Pooh” Lyles - April 19, 2022 at 10:01 AM

CW

It is with Heartfelt Sympathy as we send our Condolences to my Family your in our Thoughts and prayers On The Behalf of The Smith & Wash & Mosley family of Forest Mississippi & St Louis Mo & Indianapolis Indiana

Christopher Wash - April 23, 2022 at 07:40 AM