



Bernadette Joynes

July 27, 1962 - April 11, 2019

Obituary

Minister Bernadette Joynes, the beloved daughter of the late Geneva Justice Godwin, was born on July 27, 1962 in Northampton County, Virginia. She departed this life on Thursday, April 11, 2019. Bernadette was preceded in death by her mother, her father Percy Joynes and two brothers.

Minister Bernadette Joynes received her education in the public schools of Accomack County, VA. At an early age, she confessed her belief in Christ and joined Friendship United Methodist Church in Wattsville, VA, until relocating to Portsmouth, VA. She truly loved the Lord.

She served as a student support monitor, substitute teacher, Virginia Defense Force, over thirty (30) years in the medical field, a security guard at Tyson's Foods, and a laborer at Perdue in Accomac, Virginia. She received the Best Performance Award in 1986 from L Company 3D Battalion 2D Brigade from the VA Defense Force. Upon relocating to Portsmouth, VA, she later joined the New Testament Church in Portsmouth, VA where she was an acute member.

In her leisure, she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, helping people in the community, reading her Bible, and providing counseling to those who needed it. She loved to go to thrift stores and yard sales. Most of all she

adored and loved her family, loved cooking and imitating others. She was also an artist and a poet who did not like negativity and would put a positive spin on any situation.

She leaves to cherish her fond memories: her sons, Terrance (Shawnda) Joynes of Portsmouth, VA; Marcus Joynes of Chesapeake VA and Michael Joynes (Jaria) of Painter, VA; six (6) grandchildren; a stepfather, Edward Godwin of New Church, VA; 3 sisters, Antoinette Joynes of New Church, VA, Cordelia Wilcox of Goldsboro, NC and Kimberly Joynes of Pocomoke, MD; one brother, Tramayne Joynes (LaToya) of Melfa, VA; two uncles, Arthur (Darlene) Dickerson of Accomac, VA and Jerry Justice (Cynthia) of Temperanceville, VA; aunts, Mae Holden Johnson of Bridgeton, New Jersey and Joyce Dickerson of Pocomoke, MD and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other loving relatives and friends. She was a faithful servant and will be truly missed by all.

Lovingly Submitted ~ The Family

Tribute Wall

MD

“ Hey my friend I am deeply saddened to hear of your passing a good leader and instructor you will be truly missed . GOD BLESS YOUR FAMILY

Melynda M Dennis - April 30, 2019 at 02:51 PM

HF

“ My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief, by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible, you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces.

H. Fields - April 21, 2019 at 08:36 AM

KW

“ So sorry to hear. But God has called his own to rest. To the family I send heartfelt condolences. To Antoinette I know the feeling but I can tell you days will make it better. Praying for you all.

Karen White - April 20, 2019 at 12:28 PM

CM

“ May the peace and love of God strengthen you and your family during this time of sadness. With deepest and heartfelt sympathy, Love & Blessings Carmela Milbourne & Family

Carmela Milbourne - April 19, 2019 at 05:06 PM

PC

“ Praying for your comfort during this difficult time. Your Mom, Sister, Aunt, Friend is gone from our sight, but never from our hearts. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. The Crosby Family (Bertha, Prestine, Ticara, Regis, Ralph and Rakhia)

Prestine Crosby - April 18, 2019 at 02:15 PM

FC

“ Master Sergeant Joynes, it is with great sadness today I hear of your passing. While we were not particularly close, your joyful smile always brightened my heart. Thank you for all you did and for all those you touched. Thank you for standing the watch.

Freddy Calvert - April 18, 2019 at 12:42 PM

SC

“ Our hearts goes out to the family you'll are in our prayers she will be greatly missed

Sheila Duke and Cheryl Clifton (Cee Cee) - April 18, 2019 at 11:29 AM

SC

“ Master Sergeant Joynes, you were and still are an inspiration for your troops and all others around you. YOU WILL BE MISSED by all Lafayette veterans, especially in the 21st Battalion. Taken away from us much too soon you still had a lot to look forward to. CSM Love and I were looking forward to working with you again in our new unit. A star has fallen and God has plucked a beautiful flower.

Stephen Pettway, CSM(VA) - April 18, 2019 at 08:49 AM

AR

“ *I express my heartfelt condolences for the loss of your dear love one. May the God of tender mercies and comfort strengthen you during this time of sorrow - 2 Corinthians 1:3,4, it is his promise that you will see your love one again, John 5:28, 29.*

Artina - April 17, 2019 at 11:47 AM