



## Viola Virginia Jones

August 30, 1937 - February 13, 2023

### Obituary

Viola Virginia Bivens Jones, 85, of Eden, Maryland went home to be with the Lord on Monday, February 13, 2023, at her residence. “Viola”, “Mike”, “Vi”, or “Vokey”, as she was affectionately known by family and friends, was born on August 30, 1937 to the late Orlando “Lan” Bivens and the late Margaret Armwood Cannon Bivens.

Viola was educated in the public school system of Somerset County, Maryland and attended classes at Wor-Wic Tech Community College. Viola attended St. Mary’s Missionary Baptist Church in Princess Anne, MD, until she joined New Psalmist Non-Denominational Church in Westover, MD. Viola served as an Usher, Missionary, and a member of the Women’s fellowship, and participated in other committees as she was able to do so.

Viola loved talking to her special group of ladies from the hair salon and her special circle, watching her favorite television shows – Andy Griffith, Gomer Pyle, Meet The

Browns, Perry

Mason, Court TV, and listening to music and humming along to many tunes.

Her favorite

songs included “Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross by the Mississippi Mass Choir”, “The Other

Shore by Luther Barnes and the Red Budd Gospel Choir”, “Jesus Promised Me A Home Over

There” by Jennifer Hudson, and “I Came To Tell You What Jesus Said by the Trinity

Inspirational Choir”.

Viola began her career working at Ms. Neits Hair Salon, and after a few years, she began

working at Campbell Soup Company, in Salisbury, MD, where she retired after 31 years of

service. After retirement, Viola spent time working for S & S and S & J Cleaning Services,

doing private duty sitting, and private tutoring to school age children.

Viola leaves to cherish her memory, her children; Delores Spence of Eden, MD; Glenda

Sinclair (Nathaniel) of Salisbury, MD; Cherry Doane, Margaret Jones, Marian Dennis (Leroy),

Glendon Jones Jr., and Gertrude Hairston (Darryl) all of Princess Anne, MD; one daughter-

in-law, Annette Jones, Eden, MD; one sister-in-law, Joan Cannon of Oaksville, MD; fourteen

grandchildren, thirty-one great grandchildren, and eleven great-great grandchildren, and a

host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Viola was preceded in death by her husband Archie Glendon Jones, one son, Richard Jones, Sr., and her father and mother. Viola was the youngest of twelve children and was preceded in death by her eleven siblings - Lucinda Cannon Horsey, Glenmore Cannon, Gertrude Cannon Warbington, Mary-Frances Cannon Doane, Leroy Cannon, Herman Cannon, Sr., Isabelle Cannon McGibboney, Letha Cannon Christopher, Glenmore Bivens, Orlando Bivens, Jr., and Betty Bivens Whittington.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **24.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

New Psalmist Nondenominational Church (Westover)  
8925 Old Princess Anne Road  
Westover, MD 21871

## Funeral Mass

FEB **25.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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8925 Old Princess Anne Road  
Westover, MD 21871

## Live Stream Broadcast on Facebook

FEB **25.** 11:00 AM.

Bennie Smith Funeral Home MD / VA

# Tribute Wall

TJ

“ Thomas Hairston Jr. lit a candle in memory of Viola Virginia Jones



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**Thomas Hairston Jr.** - February 27, 2023 at 07:14 AM

LW

“ Pastor Jones and family,

*Very saddened to hear of the passing of your mother. My prayers and condolences are with you in this time of grief.*

*Gain strength from your faith in God and the many precious memories and traditions shared.*

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**Lloyd Ward** - February 24, 2023 at 06:40 AM

YJ

“ Yvonne Jones lit a candle in memory of Viola Virginia Jones



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**Yvonne Jones** - February 23, 2023 at 09:22 PM

TB

“ Our Prayers and Condolences go out to the family,praying that God strength is your strength,even when we walk through the valley of the shadow of death will have know fear because thy rod and staff will protect and guide us ,so The Lord is your shepherd and you shall not want.You could not had a more beautiful Mom in your life.Our Deepest Sympathy,Therman&Barbara Brown



Therman and Barbara Brown - February 23, 2023 at 06:23 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Viola Virginia Jones.



February 23, 2023 at 05:59 PM

KG

“ My condolences to the children, grandchildren and extended family. Viola and I were cousins, classmates, friends and coworkers. I already miss our daily, lengthy conversations. She was a special part of my day and my greatest memories will be the daily laughter we shared. Miss ya Vi.



Kathy Grant - February 23, 2023 at 02:25 PM

KG

*This post is from Margaret Grant*

Kathy Grant - February 23, 2023 at 02:33 PM

FF

“ *Frances Fitchett lit a candle in memory of Viola Virginia Jones*



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**Frances Fitchett** - February 23, 2023 at 01:44 PM

KG

“ *Kathy Grant lit a candle in memory of Viola Virginia Jones*



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**Kathy Grant** - February 23, 2023 at 08:35 AM

NB

“ *Condolences to my family on the lost of cousin Viola. My heart goes out to all of you. Always will remember her in my heart ❤️.*

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**Norma Lee Boston** - February 22, 2023 at 06:40 PM