



## Willie Jones

November 17, 1940 - November 12, 2014

Willie Edgar Jones was born on November 17, 1940 in Robstown, Texas. He was the fourth child born to Jeanette Tipton Jones and Willie Henry Jones. Willie was preceded in death by his siblings, Lawrence, Lorena and David. He is survived by an older sister, Frances Oakes Wiley of Robstown, Texas. Willie graduated from Robstown High School in 1958. In 1961, he enlisted in the United States Air Force, where he served honorably in numerous positions throughout his twenty year career. He retired from the United States Air Force of Dover, Delaware in May, 1981, achieving the rank of Master Sergeant Superintendent Loadmaster. While still serving his country, Willie completed a Bachelor's Degree at Delaware State University in 1982. Two years later, he completed another Bachelor's Degree from DSU. He completed several courses in the doctoral program at Temple University (PA.) In January of 1985, Willie was employed as the Civil Rights Compliance Officer for the Department of Transportation (DeIDOT). He retired from DeIDOT in 2009 in the position of Training Administrator. Willie was active in his community, participating in various community programs and efforts that included candidate for the Capital School District Board of Education in 1999, mentoring children at-risk at Star Hill Elementary for four years, serving as a personal advisor to many who sought his professional guidance in the areas of civil rights compliance for minority businesses. Willie was a very generous man who never hesitated to support any cause in which he strongly believed. Willie was a dedicated Alpha Man since December 8, 1983. He served as the

president of Zeta Rho Lambda Chapter Dover, Delaware for consecutive two terms. He was an active member of Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church for more than twenty-three years, where he served on the Trustee Board more than twenty years.

Willie leaves to cherish his memory his adored and beloved wife of thirty nine years, Bobby; two sons, Tony (Maryann) of McComb, MI and Jeff (Alice) of Wilmington, NC; two daughters, Karen of Dallas, TX and Kelley (George) of Dover, DE; six grandchildren: Justin (Ashley) of Charlotte, NC.; Brad of Fort Benning, GA; Jessica of Atlanta, GA; Kristin of McComb, MI; Savannah and Vivian both of Dover, DE; one great-grandson, Emerson of Charlotte, NC; in-laws, Sharon and Jerry Haith of Dover, DE; niece, Julia Haith; nephew, Michael Haith of Dover, DE; special great-niece, Jalyn Haith; Many other nieces and nephews who called Willie "Uncle Bill;" adopted children and grandchildren, the Alfaro family of Dover, DE; god-children, Nicole Bell and Christopher Downes, both of Dover, DE and Sydney Hunter of Harrisburg, PA; Breakfast Club buddies, Ken, Roddie, and Tom.

Willie will also be lovingly remembered by the other in-laws: Milton and Charlotte Carney of Felton, DE; Warren and Charlotte Pinkeet of New Castle, DE and James and Joyce Bryan of Middletown, DE.

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# Tribute Wall

DB

“ Bobby and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss... You and your family will be in my prayers...”

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**Darlene Mosley Barnes** - November 19, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ We are very sorry to hear of Willie's passing. We pray that Willie is at peace after having a rich life, well lived, and that you and your family will be strengthened by God's never ending love and comfort as you move forward with warmth, dignity, grace and enduring, priceless memories of your loved one that will never die. As we recall you always saying, "This too, will pass." Luke 6:21 reads- Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Take Care and Be Blessed.

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**Andy & Teresa Haman, Bear, DE** - November 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ I am so sorry to hear of Willie's passing. I first met Willie when he worked with my grandmother at Sears many years ago. I later worked at Sears when Willie was still there. Then, later he began working at DeIDOT where I also worked. So, I worked with Willie for many years and fixed problems for him as his computer support person. I enjoyed working with Willie very much. He was a fun person and always had a smile on his face.

*My thoughts and prayers are with you all during your time of grief.*

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**Rhonda Ringer** - November 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *Kelley & Family,  
May you find comfort in God during your time of sorrow.*

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**Sherry Garrison** - November 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *May God be with you and your family during your loss. You are in my prayers.*

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**Loretta Brisbane** - November 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Warm thoughts and memories will soon bring you comfort.  
Frank & Joyce(class of '64)Chandler*

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**Joyce Chandler** - November 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *I am sorry to hear about the passing of your dear husband. My sincere condolences to you and your family. My God give you strength and peace during your time of bereavement. Peace be with you.*

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**Juanita Gillis Taylor** - November 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *Dear Bobby & family ... Colleen & I along with our children are deeply saddened at the news of Willie's passing. Please know we share in your grief and rejoice in knowing he is at rest with our Lord & Savior. May the memories of your life together bring you peace ... He has left a wonderful legacy to carry on ... Love, The Grady Family Chandler, AZ*

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**Raleigh Grady** - November 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ *Very sorry to hear of the passing of a very sincere and caring man who was a true Hornet fan and always was a joy to be around on our many Redskins trips with the football traveling group out of Dover and Sussex county. Family always remember the great times you shared as a family, although it is hard to except now, believe in GOD and this too shall pass. May God Bless all of you in this time of sorrow.*

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**Howard E. Smack** - November 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM