

## **Ret. SMSGT**

# George Jones, Jr.

Sunrise December 14, 1950

Sunset August 19, 2015



Saturday, August 29, 2015 - 9:00 a.m.

### METROPOLITAN A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

597 Bergen Street • Jersey City, New Jersey Rev. Nathaniel B. Legay, Officiating



**Retired Senior Master Sergeant George Jones, Jr.** of Bonaire, Georgia peacefully ended his tour on earth in his home surrounded by his loving family on August 19, 2015.

George Jones, Jr. (aka: Junior, June, Peg, Jones and Peepopoe) was born December 14, 1950 in Pelham, GA to the late Mr. and Mrs. George and Annie L. Jones, Sr. He was the older of two children. He relocated to Jersey City, NJ with his parents at the age of five where he attended PS#37 and later PS#16. He graduated from James J. Ferris High School in 1969 and enrolled into St. Peter's College. As youth, George attended Metropolitan AME Zion Church (Rev. David Cecil Lynch) on Virginia Avenue in Jersey City.

George married his high school sweetheart, Barbara Ann Blunt, at the home of his parents in Jersey City on November 14, 1970. He enrolled in the United States Air Force in 1971 and decided to dedicate his life to protecting and serving his country. George graduated Chapman University in Moreno Valley, California. His military education included attending USAF Senior NCO Academy where he studied Supervisor Development. George served in the Air Force for 26 years and retired from service as a Senior Master Sergeant in 1997.

During Ret. SMSgt. Jones' career, he received several commendations, decorations, medals, badges, citations and campaign of ribbon awards. He was awarded the Defense Service Medal (1 device), Air Force Longevity Service Award (5 devices), NCO Professional Military Education Ribbon (1 device), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (Rifle), Air Force Outstanding Unit Award Expert Marksmanship, Good Conduct Medal (6 devices), Air Force Commendation Medal (1 device), Meritorious Service Medal (2 devices), Air Force Training Ribbons, Air Force Oversees Long Tour Ribbon (1 device), Honorable Character of Service and the National S.E.E. Award.

Over the course of **Ret. SMSgt. Jones'** military career, he traveled the world with his wife and 3 children, George Lamont, La-Kisha and Damien. The family made their home in Bonaire, GA after **George's** retirement from the military at Robins Air Force Base in Warner Robins, GA. He began a 2<sup>nd</sup> career as a licensed realtor and became employed by the U. S. Postal Service.

**George** loved his wife and all of his children, grandchildren and great grandchild. He treasured the good times they spent together. One of many memorable moments was his first visit with his great granddaughter, McKenzie.

"Jones" loved photography, listening to jazz and R&B music and playing tennis and golf. He also loved to watch late night television and traveling with his wife, Barbara "Peanut," was a joy. Another memorable moment was when he danced with the famous Patti LaBelle on his 41st birthday at the *Arsenio Hall Show*. He always enjoyed a cold can of Coca~ Cola. His favorite team was the NY Mets. He recommitted his life to Christ in 2014 while attending First Baptist Church (Pastor Josh B. Kirwin, Sr.) in Warner Robins, GA.

George leaves to cherish his memory; his loving wife Barbara Ann Jones; three children: George Lamont Jones of Union City, NJ, La-Kisha or "Bird" (Montrias) Jones-Davis of Ellicott City, MD and Damien Jones of Atlanta, GA; 5 grandchildren: Jazmin, Na'Ilah, Daishaun, Corey and Drew; 1 great-grandchild: McKenzie; His devoted sister: Sandra Jones of Hillside, NJ; His aunts: Geneva Adams of Jersey City, NJ and Cleatrice Thompson of Albany, NY, Christine Johnson of Bayonne, NJ; His closest friends: Hank, Phillip and Willie. He also leaves a host of other family and friends to cherish his memory.

## Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE	BRO. DOMINQUE BRADFORD
PROCESSIONAL	
INVOCATION	REV. VAJAAH PARKER
HYMN	"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"
	SIS. MARVINA BRADLEY 7BRO. AARON JOHNSON
PRAYER OF CONSOLATION	REV. JANICE ROBERTSON
SELECTION	"AMAZING GRACE"
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & RESOLUTIONS	SIS. DARCEL JACKSON
REFLECTIONS	(2 MINUTES EACH)
SELECTION"IT'S ALL GOOD	D. IT'S ALL GOD" - BRO. SINCLAIR JOHNSON
OBITUARY	
PRAISE DANCE	"I CAN ONLY IMAGINE" - SIS. KIM JOYNER
EULOGY	REV. NATHANIEL B. LEGAY
SELECTION"EVERY	THING MUST CHANGE" BRO. JOHN DUBOSE
FINAL VIEWING	
RECESSIONAL	

INTERMENT
Bayview Cemetery Jersey City, New Jersey

Repast will follow immediately after the service inside the fellowship hall.

# Miss Me, But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom filled room, Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little-but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared, Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know. Laugh at the things we use to do Miss me-but let me go.

-author unknown

## <u> Acknowledgement</u>

The family of **GEORGE JONES**, **JR**. gratefully appreciates all acts of kindness. We would like to THANK YOU ALL for your endless prayers and support during our time of bereavement. A special thanks to Nurse Lindsay, the South Care Health Services & the caring Hospice Service in Warner Robins, Georgia.

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