

*Celebrating The Life
Of*

WILLIE NELL JENKINS

Heaven Sent: December 10, 1947

Heaven Bound: April 2, 2016



- Services -

Saturday, April 9, 2016

10:00 A.M. Visitation

11:00 A.M. Service

Serenity Baptist Church

132 N. First Street

Paterson, New Jersey

Reverend Adolphus C. Ross, Pastor/Officiating

Reverend Robert Howell, Eulogy

Safely Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones.

Oh, so happy and so bright!

There is a perfect joy and beauty,

In the everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,

Every restless tossing past;

I am now at peace forever,

Safely home in heaven at last.

There is work still waiting for you,

So you must not idly stand,

Do it now, while life remaineth...

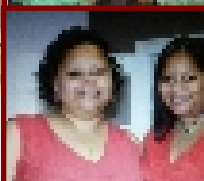
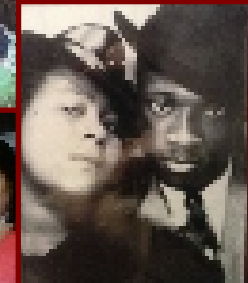
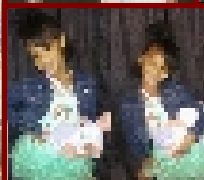
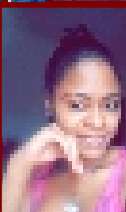
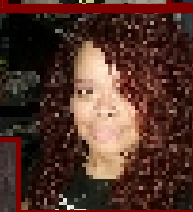
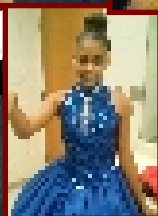
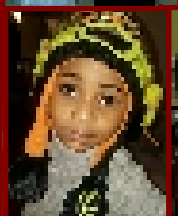
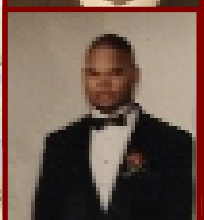
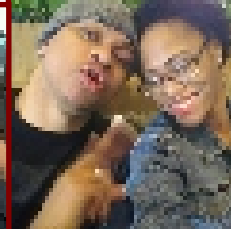
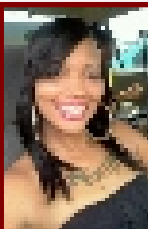
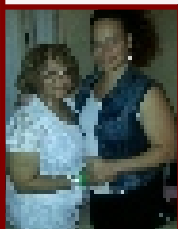
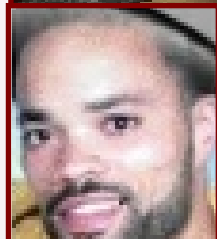
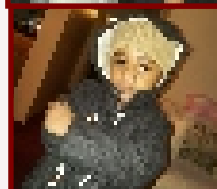
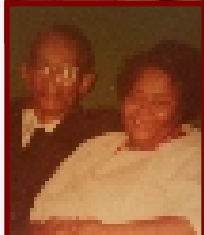
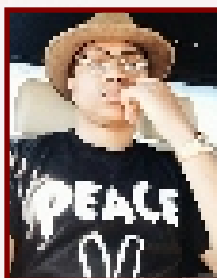
You shall rest in god's own land.

When that work is all completed,

He will gently call you home,

Oh, the rapture of that meeting

Oh, the joy to see you come!



Reflections of Life

WILLIE NELL JENKINS

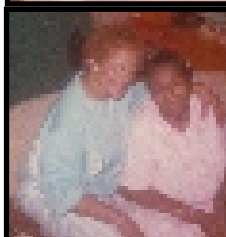
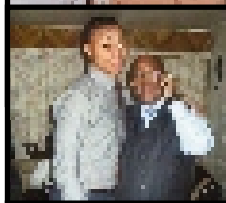
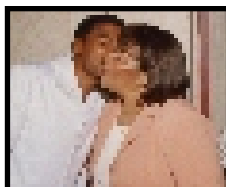


WILLIE NELL was the fourth child of six, was born December 10, 1947 to the late Deacon William Wallace Jenkins, Sr., and Sister Lee Ella Jenkins of Bagdad, Florida. On Saturday, April 2, 2016, God called his daughter from the toils of this mortal life and gave her rest. She was brought up in a Christian home all of her life where she served the Lord at Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church. She held the following duties and offices as she grew up in the church; secretary of the Sunday School, usher board president, lead singer and president of the junior choir. She attended and graduated from T. R. Jackson High School in Milton, Florida, in 1965 where she was an honor student and very active in various activities such as band, chorus, cheerleading, play acting and oratorical contest throughout high school.

After moving to Paterson, New Jersey in June, 1965, she was known as **WILLIE**. She joined Gilmore Memorial Tabernacle Look and Live Ministry under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Allene Gilmore and became an active member until she joined Serenity Baptist Church and served until her death. She was Vice President of the Busy Bees Ministry, her favorite ministry.

She attended Passaic County Community College and later William Paterson College earning a degree in Nursing. She was also, a student leader and active in many organizations during her tenure there.

She decided to follow her dream of becoming a nurse, which she accomplished. She became one of the **most well known** nurses at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center for over 42 years. **Willie**, as she is affectionately known to her friends and colleagues was a “very hard worker” giving of herself unselfishly to ALL of her patients, working along side many doctors and nurses who became her life-long friends and co-workers. **Willie** worked in the



departments of ER, Cardiac Care, Seton 5 and Reagan 4 North for years. **Willie** became “Employee Of the Month” numerous times throughout her career. She was known for her dedication, quick wit, eager to learn and to teach other nurses and doctors her techniques that saved many lives and made many patients love her even more. **Willie** retired from St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in 2008 due to a personal illness that lead her to leave the profession that she loved so much. She continued to nurse, assist, direct and encourage her family, friends, and loved ones for the rest of her life because that was her gift from God Almighty.

Willie will be missed by many people. She was a very hard community worker in the school systems in Paterson, New Jersey where she was elected to serve as the PTO President at Dale Avenue Elementary School, Alexander Hamilton Middle School, and J. F. Kennedy High School where her children and grandchildren attended. She was instrumental in developing and bringing about positive change to each school while raising awareness to help improve the educational environment to achieve student success and improve student test scores.

Willie was preceded in death by her **sons**, Cedric Warren Jenkins and Leon H. “A. L.” Irving, Jr.. She leaves to mourn her **daughter**, Shanell Latrise Irving; **grandson**, Joseph V. Moore Jr. and **great-grandson**, Christian Emory Lester; **granddaughter**, Emonie L. Brown (All of Paterson, NJ); **granddaughter**, Shaquanda Irving-Jones and **great-granddaughters**, (De’Yahna, De’Yari and Dallas) of West Palm Beach, FL. **Five siblings**: John D. Jenkins, Sr., Lakeland, FL; Julia Nell Jenkins Brown, Milton, FL; Wilbert Jenkins, Paterson, NJ; William Wallace Jenkins, Jr., Milton, FL; and a **loving-devoted sister**, Sarah Ella Jenkins Yates, Chicago, IL, and her **life-long friend**, Rev. Warren Gilmore (Milton, FL) and a devoted-caring neighbor, **Lela McRae**. Also, a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends from New Jersey, Florida, New York, North Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, and Canada.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection.....Choir

Moderator.....Rev. Adolphus Ross, Pastor

Scripture

Old Testament

New Testament

PrayerSis. Lottie Bethune

Solo.....Jonathan Jennings

Reflections On Willie's Life.....(Two Minute Each)

Resolutions & Acknowledgements.....Lisa Earle

Favorite Song“Stand”

Obituary(Read Silently)

Solo.....Saundra Johnson

Eulogy.....Rev. Robert Howell

Recessional

Repast - Serenity Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

John 17:4

***“I have glorified thee on the earth:
I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.”***



**FAMILY HOUR
TRAHAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL
Milton, Florida**

Officiator.....	Rev. James. R. Manning
Old Testament Scripture.....	Dea. Bobby Green
New Testament Scripture	Rev. Murray Hamilton
Prayer.....	Dea. Herman James
Recording Music.....	Favorite Song
Reflections.....	“Class of 1965”
	Dea. Bobby Green
	Sis. Ervilene Witherspoon
Resolutions.....	Sis. Ervilene Witherspoon
Solo.....	Rev. Murray Hamilton
Eulogy.....	Rev. Warren P. Gilmore

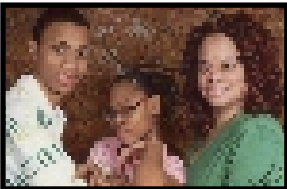
Pallbearers/Flowers bearers:

Active:

T. R. Jackson High School
Class of 1965
President, Alfred D. Brewton

Honorary

Quenton B. Brown
Philephi T. Brown
Osric J. Brown



Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Willie Nell Jenkins** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You! **The family would like to give a special thank you to Lelah McRea.**

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