



Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones

May 27, 1960 - May 19, 2022

JONES, Ms. Frances Diane "Pookie" – age 61, passed away Thursday, May 19, 2022 at McLaren Hospital Oakland. Family hour 10:00AM Saturday, May 28, 2022 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 North Perry Street with funeral commencing immediately at 11:00AM. Minister Jimmy Crump, Officiating. Friends and Pallbearers will gather 10:00 AM Saturday at the funeral home. Ms. Jones will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 8:00AM until the time of the service Saturday.

Frances Diane Jones was affectionately known as "Pookie". She was born May 27, 1960 to William and Willean Jones in Picayune, Mississippi. On May 19th she departed her life and entered in eternal rest. Frances confessed Christ at an early age at Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Picayune. The Jones family relocated to Pontiac, Michigan, when Frances was 7 years old. Frances was educated in the Pontiac School District. She was self-employed for many years.

Frances was generously expressive with words and subtle approaches were not her way. As the eldest, she took on the matriarch role to her siblings, nieces and nephews. Frances was very protective of her family and knew she was the boss.

Frances was reliable and committed to things nobody else had the energy or knowledge to do. She was a long-term caregiver to our father, along with our mother. Frances helped prolong his life by challenging herself and becoming self-taught on medical procedures and terminology. The doctors were impressed and offered her jobs, but she refused them in order to take care of our father.

Frances's hobbies were gardening, fishing, building things and working on cars and would proudly say, "My daddy taught me how to work on cars, didn't yours!" Frances was an avid reader with infinite wisdom on a variety of topics and life experiences. Frances was passionate about her beliefs and she expressed them often. Entertaining others was her specialty. Frances enjoyed baking, cooking and listening to her music. The aroma of her BBQ and fish frying welcomed everyone to eat, sit, talk and have debates out in the yard.

Most notably, Frances spent many of her days giving to others. Her community service projects included: delivering prepared food items to those in need, making sure people voted and doing carpentry work at Galilean Baptist Church, with her special friend, Jim Burch, Sr. and many "do-it-yourself" projects. Although giving can be exhausting, Frances sacrificially poured into others.

Frances leaves behind her beloved mother, Willean Jones; five siblings and three brothers-in-law, Wanda (Jimmy) Crump, Shelia (Travis) Moore, Debra (Ismael) Gonzales, William Jones and Belinda (Eric) Ivory; three nieces Aiesha, Amber and Caley; two nephews, Travon and Caleb; two great-nieces, Khalani and Kharis; and a special great-nephew, Ashton. She leaves behind her cherished friends, Jim Burch, Sr., Veron and JoAnne Antwine and Jessie Jackson; and a special cousin, Minnie Heidelberg.

Frances was preceded in death by her father William Jones; nephew Travis D.

Moore II; paternal grandparents, Acie and Eunice Jones; and maternal grandparents, Helen Jefferson and Ambus Hawthorn.

Cemetery Details

Perry Mount Park Cemetery

878 N. Perry St.
Pontiac, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 28. 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Pontiac
268 North Perry Street
Pontiac, MI 48342
(248) 758-1913

Family Hour

MAY 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAY 28. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - May 28, 2022 at 09:50 AM

AW

“ Ann Wren lit a candle in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones



Ann Wren - May 28, 2022 at 05:13 PM

BR

“ Berdis Robinson lit a candle in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones



Berdis Robinson - May 27, 2022 at 06:31 PM

LB

“ Frances was a person who had a quick come back, smart and sassy. like it or not. ..Rip 🎈 🎈

Lillie Bowie - May 27, 2022 at 10:06 AM

SH

Thank you for all your hard work with the Jones home going. Now my condolences to you and the entire Crump family

Sheila - June 03, 2022 at 08:31 PM

FT

“ *Flo T. lit a candle in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones*



Flo T. - May 27, 2022 at 08:51 AM

FT

My prayers and condolences go out to the entire family. God Bless

Flo T. - May 27, 2022 at 08:52 AM

JB

“ *Our deepest condolences and sincere sympathy to the Jones family on the loss of your Beloved One. May God continue to wrap his arms around you all with his strength, during your time of bereavementR.I. Paradise "Pookie "*
We will dearly miss you cousin 🥺🙏🥺🙏
Tj & Betty Burkett children & grandchildren



Janice Burkett - May 27, 2022 at 02:16 AM

SH

Thank you so much for reaching out in this very difficult time

Sheila - June 03, 2022 at 08:20 PM

HB

“ *Helen M Butler sent a virtual gift in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones*



Helen m Butler - May 26, 2022 at 11:35 PM

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“ *Helen M Butler sent a virtual gift in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones*



Helen m Butler - May 26, 2022 at 11:34 PM

SG

“ *Sharon Matthews- Graves lit a candle in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones*



Sharon Matthews- Graves - May 25, 2022 at 02:32 PM

SG

She was a very nice and friendly person that I grew up with as a Child always at each other's house. May you rest in peace, and Prayers for the Family.

Sharon Matthews- Graves - May 25, 2022 at 02:38 PM

CB

“ Constance Blakey-Mccallister lit a candle in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones



Constance Blakey-Mccallister - May 24, 2022 at 09:46 PM

ER

“ Essie Ratliff lit a candle in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones



Essie Ratliff - May 24, 2022 at 09:16 PM

ER

“ Essie Ratliff lit a candle in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones



Essie Ratliff - May 24, 2022 at 09:15 PM

ER

My condolences to the family

Essie Ratliff - May 24, 2022 at 09:18 PM

SH

Thank you for your support during this difficult time. I would like to also thank you for those delicious sweet potato pies!!

Sheila - June 03, 2022 at 08:24 PM

DJ

“ Our deepest condolences to the Jones family that I've known most of my life growing up in Herrington Hills where everybody knew just about everybody and summers were a lot of fun back in the day. Praying for you all, GOD Bless

Darrell & Phyllis Johnson - May 24, 2022 at 02:27 PM

SH

Thank you for taking the time to share your condolences for our family in this sudden loss and yes summers in the Herrington Hills community were always the best!!

Sheila - May 25, 2022 at 09:17 PM



“ Condolences to the family. You were a childhood friend I will always remember. Rest in peace. Patricia Matthews Vaughn

Patricia Vaughn - May 24, 2022 at 08:10 AM

SH

Thank you Patricia Ann.lol I can still hear your mom say your name.

Sheila - May 25, 2022 at 09:11 PM

LA

“ LISA ALEXANDER lit a candle in memory of Frances Diane "Pookie" Jones



LISA ALEXANDER - May 23, 2022 at 06:17 PM

CB

*Rest in Peace cuz Really going to miss you.
Dwayne, DaJuan, Share, Jayden and Corine Burkett* 💖

Corine Burkett - May 24, 2022 at 05:02 PM