



## Mrs. Blanche Ione Jones

February 19, 1931 - June 11, 2014

Celebrating The Life Of Blanche I. Jones:

Blanche Ione was born in Jackson, Michigan on February 19, 1931, to the union of William Lufkin Millben and Pirtie Mary (McConnell) Millben. To this union was born two daughters, Blanche Ione and Leona Ann.

She graduated from Jackson High School in 1949 continuing her educational coursework at Jackson Junior College and ultimately receiving an associate degree from Mercy College in Detroit, MI. A bright young woman, at the age of nineteen she worked as a dental hygienist in the practice of her cousin Dr. Archie Millben, Sr., the only black dentist in the city of Jackson, MI at the time.

In the spring of 1958, she was introduced by best friends Henry and Marion Durrell to George W. Jones, Jr. whom she fell in love with and married on August 2, 1958 which lasted 34 years until his passing. With this union brought their beloved children Michael W. (Jones), Michael J. (Millben) and jointly Charisse, Duvon and CharMaine. She admired and was especially proud that her cousin, Dr. Ethelene Jones-Crockett, obstetrician/gynecologist from Jackson, MI who delivered each of the latter of her three (3) children in Detroit.

Raised in the church, she accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at the first established congregation of the Church of Christ on Adams Street in

Jackson, MI. After marrying and moving to Detroit, she continued her faithful work in the Lord throughout her life serving at the Conant Gardens, Ford Avenue and a charter member of the Wyoming Avenue Church of Christ in 1966. She also considered the West Side congregation as a second home where her son, Duvon, serves as assistant minister.

An active and well known servant throughout the church serving faithfully in several ministries to include teaching bible class, a member of the United Sister's Bible Class and head of the Benevolent Committee for many years. She remained in faithful service under the current leadership of Bro. Dallas Walker until her transition.

She was a stay at home mother until the early 1970's later retiring from the Detroit Public Schools as a paraprofessional after twenty-one years of service. Among her many pastimes include caring for her grandchildren, avid learner and biblical scholar, watcher of Detroit City Council Broadcasts and chairwoman of the BNN (Blanche News Network).

Blanche transitioned this life on June 11, 2014.

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

19975 Woodward Ave.  
Detroit, MI 48203

# Previous Events

## Visitation

Monday, Jun. **16**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home  
17600 Plymouth Road  
Detroit, MI 48227  
(313) 838-9770  
info@pyefuneralhome.com

## Family Hour

Tuesday, Jun. **17**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Wyoming Avenue Church of Christ  
20131 Wyoming  
Detroit, MI 48221

## Funeral Service

Tuesday, Jun. **17**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Blanche lone Jones*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss. We will keep you in our prayers.*

*Horace McConnell Family*



**Kathryn McConnell** - June 16, 2014 at 10:32 AM



“ *Hello Charisse Jones and Family you all are in my prayers and thoughts. Stay strong and stay together. Love ya and Smooches, Cheryl D. Breech (Shay) & Family*



**Cheryl D. Breech (Shay)** - June 15, 2014 at 11:48 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. May the God of all comfort be with you. Deepest sympathy. Revelation 21:4*

**Laverne** - June 13, 2014 at 09:01 AM



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*May God bring you comfort as you mourn the loss of someone who was very special to so many of us. Love in Christ, Bobbie Bostic & Family*

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**Bobbie Bostic** - June 17, 2014 at 07:34 AM