



Mrs. Jacqueline Reed

November 16, 1953 - November 30, 2015

THE LIFE OF JACQUELINE (JACKIE) REED:

Jacqueline (Jackie) Reed was born November 16, 1953 in Detroit, Michigan to the union of Coleman Reed (D) and Maggie Lue Reed (D). She was number seven of ten children who was preceded in death: Juanita Reed. Jackie graduated from Pershing High School in 1971 and spent time studying nursing at Henry Ford Community College. She also spent time working at nursing homes taking care of the elderly.

Jackie was a part of a tight knit family of 10 that was taught at a young age to stick closely together by their mother and father. This was evident as they made it a tradition to have huge Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner together. As a teenager, she was one of the roughest girls in the neighborhood. Though small in height, she didn't take anything from anyone. She had an outgoing personality, did not hold her tongue for anyone and believed in doing things on her own terms.

Jackie determined early that independence for her was very important. This was evident when she graduated from high school; she crossed the stage at graduation and kept going. In 1973, Jackie had her first and only son Herbert whom she knew she had to raise as a single mom to be a man. After Herbert was born, Jackie took a job working in the factory and going to school part-time to study nursing. In 1979, as a single mom Jackie moved on Cherrylawn

Street where she continued to go to school part-time, work and take care of her son.

After moving on Cherrylawn, Jackie began to establish herself in the neighborhood with family and neighbors alike. Her outgoing personality and style was well known among family and friends. Jackie was well known for her blond hair, mini-skirts and high heel shoes. She was known for Memorial Day and 4th of July barbecues. She was known in the neighborhood as “barbecue Jackie.” She would invite her brothers Jesse, Anthony and Richard over along with her cousins Jerry, Lee, Sharon, Roz and Rollie. Also her friends Shaft, Penny and Mays would join along. They would sit on the porch for hours listening to music and having conversations about politics, sports, religion and current events. During the summer weekend nights, they would spend time sitting on her cousin Jerry's porch who lived two doors down listening to the Tigers play on the radio, watching the neighborhood children play and keeping a close eye on her son to make sure he stayed out of trouble.

Jackie was known for her tough love when it came to her son. She did not allow for him to bring “C” grades home from school. She allowed a maximum of two C’s and anything greater than that, television and outside privileges was taken away. She would always tell her son, “a hard head makes a soft booty.” She used her brothers as muscle to ensure that her son knew if there was a real problem that she had back-up. But Jackie didn’t need much back up as she was very skilled with her hands when it came to fighting.

In 1985 Jackie displayed her tough love to her son when he could not stay out of trouble in the neighborhood by placing him on punishment for the entire summer vacation. She did not allow him to watch any television, have any company or go outside to play with his friends. During that summer, Jackie made her son read her research paper and supporting articles that she had done for one of her college classes on AIDS. She spent time explaining

concepts and hypothesis to her son on the disease and make him learn about the AIDS in detail.

Jackie was also kind and compassionate to her neighbors. She would spend time taking care of elderly people that had no one to take care of them. Cathy who was an old elderly white lady that stayed three doors down from her had no one to attend to her daily needs relied on the kindness of Jackie to take care of her. She never took any money from Cathy, but she would spend hours in her home taking care of her because Cathy's son refused to come into a neighborhood full of blacks. After years of Jackie taking care of her, Cathy decided to move out of the neighborhood into a retirement home. As a show of her appreciation, Cathy gifted Jackie her house.

Jackie in 1992 started working in senior living and retirement homes to support her son Herbert in college. She worked hard to make sure that her son graduated from school and achieve his goals. After working over 10 years in senior living, Jackie had to retire because of chronic knee issues. Even after retiring, Jackie began to take care of her older sister when she became sick, her cousin, her mother and father. She also attended to the needs of other elderly friends and family as needed.

Jackie lived life to the fullest. She loved spending time with her mate Glenn taking trips to Tennessee in the mountains at the cabins. She would go there once a year in the mountains enjoying nature and relaxing. She was a huge sports fan as she cheered for the local home teams (Pistons, Tigers, Lions and Red Wings). Jackie also liked to go fishing when she had the opportunity.

Jackie in 2004 moved on Biltmore Street and once again she established herself in the neighborhood. She would barbecue for the neighbors, have Superbowl parties and give the neighborhood children candy. Jackie would

share her cakes and pies with everyone who wanted any. She even fed the birds and the squirrels. The neighborhood loved Jackie and she embraced them.

In July 2015 while on vacation with her mate Glenn, Jackie became sick and was diagnosed with stage four lung and brain cancer. For someone who has spent her entire life taking care of others, this was a huge blow to Jackie because now she had to depend on others to take care of her. At this time also, Jackie was determined to make peace with God. She began to pray daily and asking God for forgiveness. She spent precious moments with her brothers Tommie and Anthony praying and strengthening her faith in God.

On November 15, 2015, Jackie decided to move to Texas with her son to continue her fight with cancer. Even in her weak state, Jackie continued to be the boss as she made sure her son administered her medication at the proper time, checked her blood sugar, fed her and put her to bed. Jackie became weak and sick after a couple of days and was admitted into the hospital. During this time, she never gave up her faith in God. During one of her examinations, Jackie sat with her eyes closed listening as the doctor explained to her son about her chances of life and just like the fighter she was she sat straight up without any help and asked the doctor in a strong voice....."ARE YOU GOD? IF YOU ARE NOT GOD THEN YOU CANNOT TELL ME WHEN I AM GOING TO DIE!!! I BELIEVE IN GOD, I AM A PRAYING WOMAN AND I BELIEVE GOD WILL HEAL ME!! SO GET OUT OF MY ROOM WITH THAT NEGATIVE TALK!!!"

On Monday, November 30, 2015, Jackie began to experience heart failure and the doctors called her son to the hospital. Her son held her hand, kissed her and told her....."Mom you have done all you can do for me, I will be okay it is time for you to rest now, time to go home." JACQUELINE REED departed this life at 11:48 a.m. at Parkland Hospital in Dallas, Texas with her loving son

Herbert, daughter-in-law Nara and her son's college roommate Derek by her side.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens

17840 Middlebelt Road
Livonia, MI 48152

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Dec. **11**. 4:00 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

Saturday, Dec. **12**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Greater Love Tabernacle C.O.G.I.C.
17617 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Jacqueline Reed*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Good Morning Sis, My heart is Full I reflect on the things we shared. I remember bringing You back from a therapy Session here in SC. You asked "Can You take me to Your store" ? I Smile and tells her Sure and she knows how much I enjoy going too. That day "WE SHOPPED". Blue (although you said for me to stop calling you blue. I think about You and Glen (all the time) coming back down to see me and Mike, I know You would Always come see me. Missing You Sis. I remember how You would put people in their place, I still yearn for you to be by my side, But Blue I learned from the best how to put folks in their place that try coming short with me. and sometimes I say I wish I can call Jackie.... I Pray and give thanks to God for the time he gave Us with You. Rest Sis Love You Always. Little Sis Barbara...*



Barbara Reed Bolden - December 31, 2020 at 10:33 AM



“ *Barbara Reed Bolden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Jacqueline Reed*



Barbara Reed Bolden - December 31, 2020 at 10:04 AM

BB

“ *Missing You Jackie. I thank God for the life we shared. The Love, Memories, Fun, just having you for a sister. So many times I find my self saying I wish Jackie was here and Jackie would do this or Jackie would say this. Sis I learned a lot from you and You knew I would not let anyone do this or that to me. As you always use to say to me "We are Maggie and Coleman Children". Missing you Sis. Love You. Little Sis Barbara*

Barbara Reed Bolden - November 05, 2019 at 01:39 AM

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“ *Barbara Reed Bolden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Jacqueline Reed*



Barbara Reed Bolden - November 05, 2019 at 01:27 AM

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“ *Barbara Johnson Bolden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Jacqueline Reed*



barbara Johnson Bolden - September 03, 2018 at 07:48 PM

BJ

“ *Missing you sis, so much. It is such a feeling of longing to see you again and me seeing you for the last time on the day we buried daddy. You hugged me and thanked me for taking care of you. I held you a little longer and looked at you with tears in my eyes. we both knew it would be our last time. What remains with me is that mama and daddy instilled in us all that regardless of what we love each other and no one comes between our family. I look at some cards you wrote to me and I know they come from your heart. Rest in Peace Sis. Love you and miss you. Your little sister Barbara*



BARBARA JOHNSON - September 03, 2018 at 06:38 PM

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“Missing You my dear sister. So many childhood memories, Memories of the Sunday daddy's car broke down, Daddy gave Tommie money for all of us kids to get home. Tommie had us walk and spent money on soda pop, which was put in beer bottles. I know because I snuck down in our big basement on Sheridan. Jackie said "What" all that walking from E. Warren to Sheridan....The many parties, family dinners, our swimming pool in our backyard. Just so many memories shared on Sheridan We was a Big Family and Very close. Thank you Sis for coming down to my home in SC and sharing your last days and with me and Husband Michael (which you always said Mike is my favorite brother in law, Then, the both of you would laugh saying You are the Only brother in law). This meant soo much. not only did my sister just come down to be with me, Jackie asked for Forgiveness and Jackie shared with me her close relationship with God. We Hugged and Cried together. Myself and Michael (my husband) took my sister to her Doctor appointments daily We Shared our Love for one another and Our Family Values, The Love of God and Sealed our Closeness as SISTERS and AS FAMILY. These things that Mama and Daddy instilled in all 10 of us. God gave me and Jackie more Good Days than Bad Days. Most days after her Treatments, On our drive back home Jackie would say to me "Barbara can we stop at your store ?" A big smile not only covered my face it covered my heart. Miss you "Blue". Sister I keep you in my daily Prayers to God Thanking him for taking You, Mama, Daddy, Monique, Anthony, OUR LITTLE SISTER Juanita, Skonie and our other family members and Church Family and Friends and rest of the Saints INTO HIS KINGDOM TO THE SON, FATHER AND HOLY GHOST AMEN AMEN AMENLOVE YOU JACKIE YOU KNOW NOTHING THAT ANYONE SAY NOR DO WILL EVER TARNISH NOR COME BETWEEN OUR LOVE. REST JACKIE. LOVE YOU BARBARA YOUR LITTLE SISTER.

Barbara Reed Bolden - December 27, 2017 at 10:22 AM

CA

“ My dear friend 👠 I miss your calls and your laughter.



Herbert and family, and Jesse. Our Prayers are with you on this sad, sad day. Please find strength in God to comfort you in this time of need. Bless you all!

Catherine - December 11, 2015 at 09:32 AM

CA

“ Catherine sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Jacqueline Reed



Catherine - December 09, 2015 at 07:37 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Jacqueline Reed.



December 09, 2015 at 04:20 PM

JL

“ James Irwin, Irwin Steel LLC purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Jacqueline Reed.



James Irwin, Irwin Steel LLC - December 09, 2015 at 08:08 AM