

Order of Service  
for  
Jeffie Mae Slones

Officiating  
Bishop Erroll G. Thompson, Sr.

Prelude

Processional / Final Glimpse

Officiants and Family / "Soon and Very Soon"

Invocation – Minister

Scriptures of Comfort

Old Testament .....Kevin Epps

New Testament .....Reginald Pride

Solo .....Tarisa Henry

Reflections (limit your remarks to 2 minutes each, please)

Rod Hollingsworth [Nephew]

Jessie Brown [Neighbor]

Dr. Paula Lake [Goddaughter]

Special Tribute..... Shanice Keith [Granddaughter]

Visual Memories Slideshow ..... CREATED BY Kayla Redmond

Resolutions & Acknowledgements.....Hospitality Staff

Reading of the Legacy (silently to soft music)

Special Music – "Praise Him" .....Tarisa Henry

Words of Comfort .....Bishop Erroll G. Thompson, Sr. – Pastor

Recessional – "Goin' Up Yonder"

Interment

Washington Park Cemetery

2700 Bruton Blvd., Orlando, FL 32811

Repast

Immediately following the interment,  
the Family invites you to a Repast  
here at New Hope Fellowship MBC.

Yet we have this assurance: Those  
who belong to God will live;  
their bodies will rise again!  
Those who sleep in the earth  
will rise up and sing for joy!

– Isaiah 26:19 NLT

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;  
and there will be no more death, neither sorrow,  
nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain;  
for the former things are passed away."

– Revelation 21:4

Pall Bearers

Nephews and Cousins

Flower Attendants

Deaconess of New Life Fellowship MBC

Friends of the Family

"He Only Takes The Best"

God saw she was getting tired  
and a cure was not to be,  
So He put his arms around her,  
and whispered, "Come with Me."

With tear-filled eyes we watched her  
suffer and fade away.  
Although we loved her deeply,  
we could not make her stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,  
hard hands put to rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us –  
He only take the best.

Words of Appreciation

The Family of Jeffie Mae Slones wishes  
to express their deepest appreciation and  
sincere gratitude to those who have  
offered their prayers, support, and well  
wishes during our time of bereavement.  
May God continue to bless you all!

We take comfort in 1 Corinthians 2:9...

"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor  
have entered into the heart of man,  
the things which God has prepared  
for those who love Him."

– The Family



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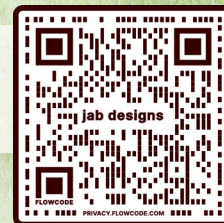
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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

FOR

Jeffie Mae Slones



SUNRISE

May 20, 1942

SUNSET

September 23, 2025

Saturday, October 11, 2025

11:00 A.M.

New Life Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church

3919 West New Hampshire, Orlando, Florida 32805

Officiating – Bishop Errol G. Thompson, Sr.

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# A Legacy™

a heritage: character qualities, memoirs . . .

*"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die, a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted...a time to weep, and a time to laugh: a time to mourn, and a time to dance..."*

— Ecclesiastes 3:1, 2, 4

## Jeffie Mae Slones

**Jeffie Mae Slones** was born on May 20, 1942, in Troy, Alabama, to Willie Lou Thompson and James Alex Batie. Raised on her grandparents' family farm, she learned early the values of faith, hard work, and caring for others. Her grandmother taught her how to cook, sowing the seeds of a gift that would one day bless countless family and friends.

At seventeen, Jeffie Mae moved to Orlando, FL, with her sister after her mother remarried. Young, but determined, she quickly went to work at Aramark Uniform Services for 30+ years, embodying the same diligence she had learned on the farm. She was joined in holy matrimony on September 2, 1960 to the love of her life, James "Joe" Slones.

Together, they united with Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Institutional Church in Orlando, where she served faithfully for many years. She sang in the choir, served as a Deaconess, and was well known for her warm hospitality and the breakfasts she lovingly prepared after early service. Later, she joined New Life Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Errol Thompson, Sr., remaining steadfast in her faith and devotion to God.

After the passing of her beloved husband, she grieved deeply but never gave up. Even as her health began to fail, she held tightly to her faith, her family, and her joy. Her favorite song, *"Order My Steps,"* echoed the rhythm of her life—a steady, prayerful walk of purpose and grace. When parting ways, she often said, *"I won't complain,"* and even now, Heaven echoes those same words back to us.

She was preceded in death by her **husband**, James "Joe" Slones; **parents**, Willie Lou Thompson and James Alex Batie; and **brothers**, Willie Louis Batie, Willie Robinson, Jr., James C. Batie, and William B. Thompson.

She leaves to cherish her memory: one **daughter** – Brenda Slones of Orlando, FL; one **son** – James Slones (Amanda) of Orlando, FL; 3 **grandchildren** – James A. Slones II, Shanice Keith, and Tristan Lindo-Slones; 3 **brothers** – Joe Batie from Mobile, AL, Howard Batie of Atlanta, GA, and GERALD Batie (AL); 4 **sisters** – Fannie Gerideau of Orlando, FL, Lillie Thompson of Orlando, FL, Bertha Batie of Troy, AL, and Willie Mae Neal of Troy, AL; 2 **sisters-in-law** – Savannah Rick from Orlando, FL, and Sandra Ann Tetter from Pine Level, AL; along with a host of **nieces**, **nephews**, other relatives, and many sorrowing friends.

Her life was a testimony of faith, strength, and enduring love—one that will continue to inspire generations to come.

