



Thelma Lee Walker
JONES

JULY 10
1932

AUGUST 16
2025

Remembering Our Matriarch

Peaceful Rest Missionary Baptist Church

8200 Saint Vincent Avenue - Shreveport, LA 71106

Saturday, August 23, 2025

11:00AM



Remembering Our Matriarch

Reverend Patrick L. Dennis, Officiating

Processional

Music

Peaceful Rest Baptist Church Choir

Reading of the Holy Writ

The Prophets—Isaiah 40:27-31

The Psalter—Psalm 23

The Gospels—John 14:1-6

The Epistles—2 Timothy 4:6-8

Dr. Donald W. Edward

Reverend Alejandro R. Smith

Reverend Melvin Smith

Reverend Aljay Wiggins, Sr.

Prayer

Reverend Claude L. White, Jr.

**Our Mother's Favorite Song
"The Lord Is My Light"**

Reflections

The Children

The Grandchildren (Poem)

Peaceful Rest Baptist Church

The Cedar Grove Community

Marcus D. Jones

Dawson Casey Jones

Inell T. Prealow

Commissioner Ronald L. Cothran

Acknowledgments

Dr. Susan Willis Capers

Music

Peaceful Rest Baptist Church Choir

Eulogy

Dr. R. Timothy Jones

**"It Is Well"
Aphten Jones Benns, Soloist**

The Journey of Life

THELMA LEE WALKER JONES

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

*He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.*

*Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

~Psalm 23

Thelma Lee Walker Jones was born on July 10, 1932 in Shreveport, Louisiana to the late Thelma Lee Mason (Walker) Collins and the late Joshua Walker. She lived briefly in Silver City, Mississippi before returning to Louisiana. She was baptized at an early age at the Bright Star Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend Kelly Key. Mrs. Jones later joined the Peaceful Rest Missionary Baptist Church where she served faithfully until her transition.

She was educated in the Caddo Parish School System and found great joy as a childcare provider for more than twenty years. She was first married to the late B.J. Johns (Jones) and later married Ennis Joe Jones, Jr.

A pillar in Cedar Grove, many people in the community, both children and adults alike, found love in her home. She once served as secretary for the South Shreveport Voters League, whose goal was to educate and empower voters in the area. It was her aim to bless everyone that she came in contact with. Fondly called MeMe or Momma Jones, she served in numerous church ministries throughout her life.

Mrs. Jones's greatest joy was her children. She impressed upon all of her offspring as well as neighbors the importance of trusting in God, being in church, and treating everyone the way you wanted to be treated. She transitioned to glory on August 16, 2025.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three sons: Rickey G. Jones, Anthony D. "Tony" Jones, and Silas Wayne Jones; two brothers: Andrew Walker and Robert Booker; and one sister: Mary Ethel Collins.

Our Matriach is survived by her loving husband, Mr. Ennis Joe Jones, Jr.; Eight sons: Michael F. Johns, Kenneth Dale Jones Dorsey, Garland B. Jones, Sr., Gerald Andre Jones, Darwin L. Jones (Ree), R. Timothy Jones (Sherbrina), Marcus D. Jones (Tiranisha), and Stacy E. Jones; two daughters: Marilyn J. Williams, and Cynthia J. Morgan (O.C.); one bonus daughter: Deborah Alexander; two brothers: Joseph Walker and Willie Judge Collins (Rita); one sister: Mary Ann Collins Goodman (Albert); four additional sisters-in-law: Mary Farmer, Josephine J. Gipson, Catherine J. Miller (Danny), and Shirley Jones; one additional brother-in-law: Ronnie Jones (Jackie).

Her legacy continues through her forty-three grandchildren, sixty-nine great-grandchildren, thirty great-great-grandchildren, and a host of godchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, neighbors, friends, those to whom she was a mother figure, and The Family of Faith.

"It Is Well"



*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed,
and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;
Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled,
though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.*

~Psalm 46:1-3

Forever In My Heart





*As we look back over time
We find ourselves wondering
Did we remember to thank you enough
For all you have done for us?
For all the times you were by our sides
To help and support us
To celebrate our successes
To understand our problems
And accept our defeats?
Or for teaching us by your example,
The value of hard work, good judgement,
Courage and integrity?
We wonder if we ever thanked you
For the sacrifices you made.
To let us have the very best?
And for the simple things
Like laughter, smiles and times we shared?
If we have forgotten to show our
Gratitude enough for all the things you did,
We're thanking you now.
And we are hoping you knew all along,
How much you meant to us.*

Active Pallbearers

HER LIVING LEGACY

SONS, GRANDSONS & GREAT-GRANDSONS, GREAT-GREAT-GRANDSONS

Honorary Pallbearers

THE DEACONS OF THE PEACEFUL REST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Gratitude

The family of Mrs. Thelma Lee Walker Jones gives thanks for the many ways you have joined us in celebrating her remarkable life. Your presence, prayers, and kind gestures have reminded us of the love she shared so freely and the joy she brought to so many. Each word of comfort, every hug, and every shared memory has been a beautiful tribute to the woman we were blessed to call our Matriarch.

May the same love and peace she carried in her heart be returned to each of you in abundance. We would like to extend a special expression of gratitude to the Peaceful Rest Missionary Baptist Church family. Your steadfast prayers, outpouring of love, and countless acts of kindness have lifted our spirits and carried us through this time of sorrow. From the church leadership to every member, your support has been a living reflection of Christ's love and a reminder of the strong spiritual family our mother cherished so deeply.

For every prayer spoken, every hand extended, and every act of service given, we are truly grateful.

With deepest gratitude,
The Family

Interment

Centuries Memorial Park Cemetery
8801 Mansfield Rd, Shreveport, LA 71108

Repast

Peaceful Rest Missionary Baptist Church
Multi-Purpose Center
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