



## Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones

September 11, 1928 - September 19, 2025

On Tuesday, September 11, 1928, a beautiful girl was born to A.J. and Melzena Davis. She gained her heavenly crown on a Friday, September 19, 2025.

She was affectionately known as "Queen Iola" and "Norma Jean."

Queen Iola joined New Bethel M.B. Church during her younger years and later joined Pleasant Hill U.M. Church, where she remained faithful until her health began to fail. She was a member of the senior choir and often enjoyed singing hymns and caring for children from all over.

Queen Iola worked at Maben Elementary School until she became a caretaker. She maintained her kindness, grace, compassion, appreciation of beauty, love of family and friends, and expressed gratitude for her long life, full of wonderful and varied experiences.

Queen Iola always knew she wanted to someday raise a family of her own. When she was introduced to Willie Lee (Will) by a family friend, she knew she had met the person with whom she would build a family. She and her "Willee" were married June 23, 1955; they maintained a loving and supportive marriage of almost 50 years until his passing on June 23, 2001. Together, they raised 5 children: James Easter, John, Melvin, Danny, and Rose.

Queen lola went to Starkville Manor in 2008 for therapy and decided to stay and remained there until she departed her life. She served on the council and was Ms. Starkville Manor numerous times. She enjoyed singing and taking care of other residents. She was the doorkeeper at Starkville Manor, and \*465 became her main number to let people out the door.

Her beautiful life will be forever cherished in the lives of her family and friends: her loving daughter, Rose (Robert); grandchildren: Ralecia (Ray), Franco (Michelle), Kelvin (Lisa), Jameka (Willie), Danielle, James (Tasha), Eric (Martha), Aleah (Laclarence), Alana (Stevenson), Dynesha (Quez), Akeah (Timothy), Markell, Tina, Robin, Mae, and Angie(Chris); 42 great-grandchildren; and 23 great-great-grandchildren. Her presence will be truly missed by her sisters: Rebber Townsend of Chicago, IL, and Fannie Burchfield of Mantee, MS, and sister-in-law Bertha Davis of Drew, MS; and a host of family and friends.

She is preceded in death by her loving husband, Willie Lee; parents: A.J. and Melzena Davis; sons: James Easter, John Willie, Melvin Louis, and Danny Ray; siblings: John Davis, W.A. Davis, Earnest Davis, Hezzie Mays, and Earlie Mays.

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Pheba Community Center

8760 MS-50 W.

Pheba, MS 39755

Active Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Interment

Pleasant Hill Cemetery

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Hill Cemetery

Pheba, MS 39755

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **26**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Hairston & Hairston Funeral Homes - Starkville  
112 Earnest H Jones Jr Dr  
Starkville, MS 39759  
(662) 323-5854

## Funeral Service

SEP **27**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Beth'el M.B. Church  
1766 Hwy 182  
Starkville, MS 39759

*Rev. Kendall Fisher, officiating*

# Tribute Wall



“ Lorene Osby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones



**Lorene Osby** - September 27, 2025 at 08:40 PM

JE

“ Jacqueline Ellis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones



**Jacqueline Ellis** - September 27, 2025 at 03:34 PM

DF

“ Doris C Garmon & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones



**Doris C Garmon & family** - September 26, 2025 at 06:07 AM

AF

“ Angela Johnson And Sherman Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones



**Angela Johnson and Sherman family** - September 25, 2025 at 04:13 PM

RJ

“ *Rita Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



Rita Jones - September 25, 2025 at 07:54 AM

GW

*We will always love you Mrs. IOLA you will now join Mr. WILL and the boy's.*

Gwe B. Ware - September 26, 2025 at 12:05 PM

MM

“ *Marguerite Moore sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



Marguerite Moore - September 24, 2025 at 11:50 PM



“ *Willie Thomas Sr. lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



Willie Thomas Sr. - September 24, 2025 at 09:12 PM



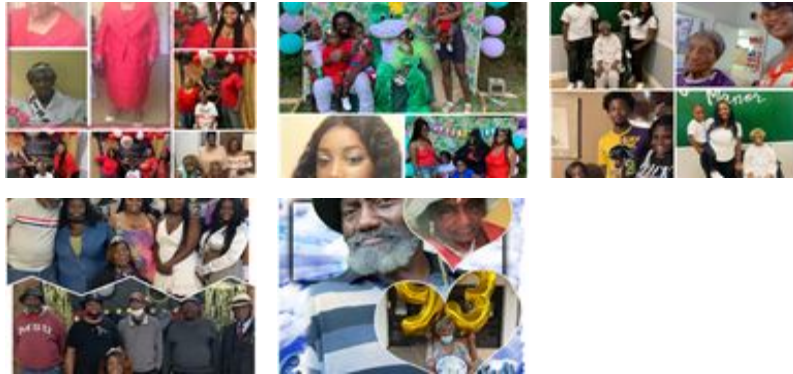
“ *Willie Thomas Sr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



Willie Thomas Sr. - September 24, 2025 at 09:11 PM



“ *33 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Hairston & Hairston Funeral Homes - September 24, 2025 at 09:01 PM



“ *Regina Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



Regina Wilson - September 24, 2025 at 02:37 PM

ST

“ *Santina Tate lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



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**Santina Tate** - September 24, 2025 at 02:36 PM

PJ

“ *Pastor Mobley, Charles & Juanita lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



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**Pastor Mobley, Charles & Juanita** - September 24, 2025 at 02:33 PM

PM

“ *Pastor Charles L. Mobley, Juanita A. Mob sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



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**Pastor Charles L. Mobley, Juanita A. Mob** - September 24, 2025 at 02:30 PM

CC

“ *Charlene Cook lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



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**Charlene Cook** - September 24, 2025 at 12:43 PM

DW

“ *Diana Robinson Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



**Diana Robinson Williams** - September 24, 2025 at 10:40 AM

RQ

“ *Rowena Quinn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



**Rowena Quinn** - September 24, 2025 at 09:32 AM

RM

“ *Rodney & Towanda Miles lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



**Rodney & Towanda Miles** - September 24, 2025 at 09:11 AM

CR

“ *Cynthia Robinson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



**Cynthia Robinson** - September 24, 2025 at 01:55 AM

RC

“ *Rose Coffey lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Queen Iola "Norma Jean" Jones*



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**Rose Coffey** - September 24, 2025 at 01:34 AM