



Marvis Jones

February 16, 1930 - February 5, 2025

When your father is the sheriff of a rural Georgia county and you live on the first floor of the jail and part of your responsibility is cooking for the prisoners, life probably could not throw many curveballs! Marvis Gladney Jones was born February 16, 1930, in Heard County, Georgia. She was the middle of six children born to the late James Ezra and Lydia Louisa Nutt Gladney. All her siblings preceded her in death. Her Gladney roots can be traced back in Heard County to the mid-19th century.

It was a warm, sunny afternoon when Walter Jones spotted Marvis Gladney riding her bicycle on the court square in Franklin. Walter had just finished his stint in the Navy. His curiosity led him to follow her home (even though she lived at the jail). He casually knocked on the door and asked her if she would go out with him. She could not think of a reason to say no, so the die was cast, as they say. They were married on November 27, 1947.

Walter would spend his working days at Southern Bell. Marvis found raising her boys and being mom to be a full-time job, but she squeezed some working hours in as a cashier at the old Colonial Stores. In the sixties, she and Walter settled in the Glenmar neighborhood of Newnan. She instantly assumed the honorary role as mom and grandmother to all the children in the neighborhood.

Marvis, thankfully, was a truly kind and loving person. It was her nature to never speak ill of anyone. She was always the person who would patiently listen to anyone who had a concern with which they were indecisive. Her

wisdom was in encouraging people to make their own decisions, in the full knowledge that they would be solely liable for their decisions should they be wrong. Speaking ill of others was not her nature. She was a willing participant in the programs of her beloved Unity Baptist Church, and she was fully involved in its activities as long as her health permitted. Relationships formed there would be maintained for the rest of her life.

Marvis' legacy of love and nurturing is evident in the three sons who survive her, John W. Jones, James Ronald Jones (and his wife Pat), and Joseph Stanley Jones. She was a treasured grandmother by her eight grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren.

The life of Marvis Gladney Jones will be remembered with great admiration and affection at a service to be held on February 10, 2025, at 2:00 PM in the McKoon funeral Home Chapel to be led by her long-time pastor and friend Pastor Danny Wilson. The family will receive friends at the funeral home at 38 Jackson Street in Newnan beginning at 1:00 PM. Following the chapel service, she will be interred beside her husband at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. Online condolences may be expressed at mckoon.com. McKoon funeral Home and Crematory 770-253-4580.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memorial Park

656 Roscoe Road
Newnan, GA 30263

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **10**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Funeral Service

FEB **10**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home Chapel
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Marvis Jones*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - February 10, 2025 at 12:38 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marvis Jones.*



February 07, 2025 at 12:52 PM



“ *I along with my parents, George and Elizabeth Harrington lived next door to Marvis, Walter and the boys on Bailey Drive. Marvin and Walter were fine Christian people. They loved their church, Unity. She was a very nice lady and a good friend to my parents long after they moved off of Bailey Drive. She will be missed and my condolences to the boys and the entire family. She will be missed.*

Carolyn Harrington DeFilippo

Carolyn Harrington Defilippo - February 07, 2025 at 10:14 AM

AR

Marvin was a beautiful example of a southern lady. Always beautifully presented but loved to have fun. We were members of the ladies group at Unity Baptist for many years. It was always sweet to see how much Walter adored her. Her sons were greatly loved and appreciated. Very fond memories!

Annette Reason - February 07, 2025 at 10:29 AM

MS

Marvis was s very kind and loving person. She was a great cook. Always looked and dressed like a beautiful Southern Lady. I once told her she reminded me so much of my mother who had gone on to be with her Lord and she promptly said well then I will be your substitute mother. So many wonderful memories with her since I also worked with her husband at Southern Bell for many years. She will always be missed and remembered in such a loving way!!

MARY SHOEMAKE - February 09, 2025 at 08:33 PM

CH

Thoughts and prayers in the loss of Miss Marvis. Truly a remarkable Christian lady with all her grace. How she loved her family and church. My mom Elizabeth Harrington were good friends. Prayers at this time for your family.

Cheryl Harrington Henson

Cheryl Henson - February 09, 2025 at 08:34 PM


Diann
Alford

She was such a sweetheart. She and I went through grief counseling after Mr Walter's passing and the death of my daughter. She was always so kind and compassionate. Really just a jewel! I am sorry for this loss for her family.

Diann Alford - February 10, 2025 at 01:54 PM

LC

“ *Such a lovely lady. I knew her for many years as my friend. Marvis lived a true Christain life. Anyone around her were blessed to be there. I send my love to her children , grandchildren and great grandchildren.*

Lanell Chapman

lanell chapman - February 07, 2025 at 09:31 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Marvis Jones.*



February 07, 2025 at 09:23 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marvis Jones.*



February 06, 2025 at 09:49 PM

TB

“ *Terry & Claire Brimer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marvis Jones.*

Terry & Claire Brimer - February 06, 2025 at 06:02 PM

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“ Terry & Claire Brimer purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marvis Jones.



Terry & Claire Brimer - February 06, 2025 at 06:02 PM