# Fairmont Heights High School Alumni Association

# Memorial Service Saturday, December 04, 2021

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Remembering Alumni, Faculty, Family and Friends

#### The Legacy Continues

New Mt. Nebo Baptist Church

7501 Walker Mill Drive

Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743

#### Fairmont Heights High School Alumni Association 2019 Memorial Service

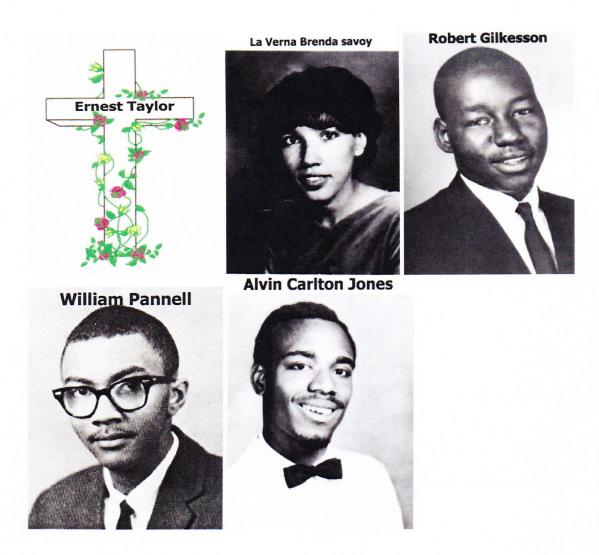
Presentation of The Colors	Fairmont Heights High School JROTC CMDR: Col. Samuel S. Licorish
Pledge of Allegiance	Everyone
Opening Hymn	Messengers of Zion Youth Choir New Mt. Nebo Baptist Church
Introduction of Worship Leader	Daphne Bell (81), President FHHSAA
Worship Leader	Dr. DeMarcus McMillian
Scriptures - Old Testament  New Testament	Darryl Davis (83) Darrell Robinson (90)
Prayer	Minister Rose Marie Longus
The Occasion	Daphne Bell (81), President FHHSAA
Introduction of Minister	Dr. DeMarcus McMillan
Selection	Messengers of Zion Youth Choir New Mt. Nebo Baptist Church
Message	Rev. Robert S. McConnell, Sr. (75)
Selection	Messengers of Zion New Mt. Nebo Baptist Church
Candlelight Ceremony	Faculty – From Audience Staff – Anna Crutchfield Alumni – Carolyn Scriber (66) Family & Friends- From Audience Veterans – James Staggs (66)
Selection	Messengers of Zion Youth Choir New Mt. Nebo Baptist Church
Remarks	Torrie Walker, Principal Fairmont Heights High School Rev. Robert R. Johnson, Sr. (57)
Closing Remarks	Daphne Bell (81), President FHHSAA
Benediction	Rev. Robert S. McConnell, Sr. (75)

Alma Mater (Original) Lead by Valary Morrison (69) & Group

# NAMES THAT WERE SUBMITTED FOR THE 2021 MEMORIAL SERVICE

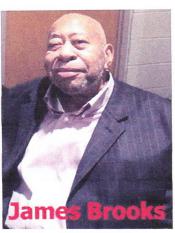
NAMES	CLASS	DATE
Dennis "Tudie" Jeter, Jr.	1965	November 28, 2020
Meredith Ford Hilton	1965	December 2020
Thelma Boyd Nash	Faculty	December 20, 2020
Joseph Parker, Sr.	1952	December 25, 2020
Denise Davis Bryant	1970	January 01, 2021
Sylvia Easton Kennedy	1975	January 03, 2021
Ralph C. Paden	Faculty	January 22, 2021
June Deal Jackson	1963	January 29, 2021
Cedric Key	1966	February 14, 2021
Robert A. Lancaster, Jr.	1963	February 19, 2021
Maurice Wooden	1964	February 20, 2021
Janice Hawkins Coleman	1955	February 2021
Barbara Jean Spencer	1953	February 2021
Maceo "Soup" Campbell		March 10, 2021
Richard Abernathy	1961	March 22, 2021
Donald "Donnie" Briscoe	Faculty	March 26, 2021
Legacy Banks	2020	March 28, 2021
Alphonso Hatcher	1970	March 31, 2021
Pia Michelle Robinson	1974	April 11, 2021
Wilbur David Drake	1965	April 19, 2021
Betty Carolina	1965	April 19, 2021
Elaine D. Hall McRae		April 20, 2021
James Brooks		April 22, 2021
Sylvia M. Washington	1970	May 07, 2021
Thomas G. Freeland, Jr.	1959	May 13, 2021
Jasper "Jay" Staton	1964	June 19, 2021
Michael "Mike" Shupe	1979	June 21, 2021
Gwendolyn "Gwennie" Williams	1973	July 03, 2021
Bishop Raymond A. Gerald	1966	August 07, 2021
James Jones, III	2013	August 13, 2021
Reginald "Reggie" Smith	1973	September 01, 2021
Matilda Sutton Davis	1963	September 14, 2021
Anthony George Carter "Spice"	1968	September 19, 2021
Clara Marie Thomas	1963	September 26, 2021
Debra Brown Bryant	1970	October 06, 2021
Elizabeth Glover	1961	October 07, 2021
Janice Carter Wilkins-Spriggs	1962	November 11, 2021
Arletha Harper Carter	1965	November 12, 2021
Larry Ivan Hale	1971	November 13, 2021
LaVerne Brenda Savoy	1969	November 15, 2021
Melvin Thomas Countee		November 19, 2021
Ernest Alfraizer Taylor		November 23, 2021
Robert Gilkesson	1968	December 2021
Prophet Alvin Carlton Jones	1969	December 04, 2021
William Pannell	1964	December 13, 2021

All other alumni who have "BUZZED AWAY" are included in this Memorial Service Program even though their names were not submitted. "HORNETS FOREVER!!!"

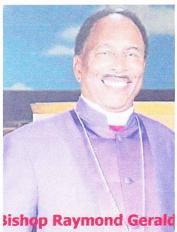






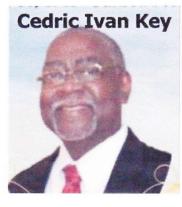








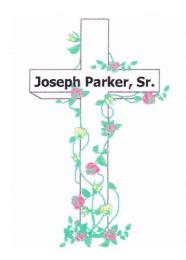


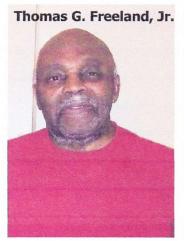




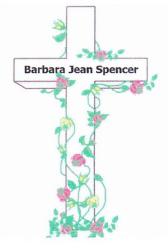


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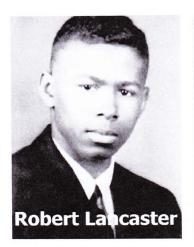




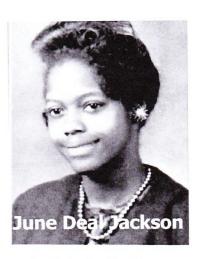


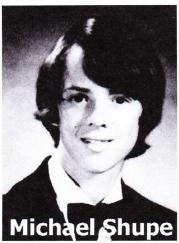








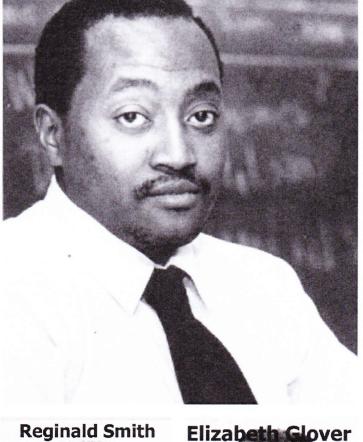




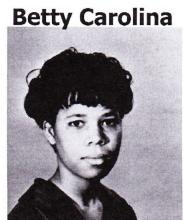


















DENISE O. DAVIS



Legacy Banks



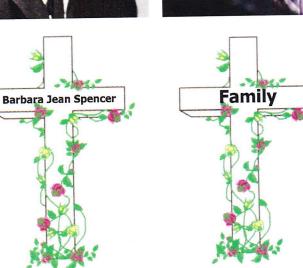
**Larry Ivan Hale** 

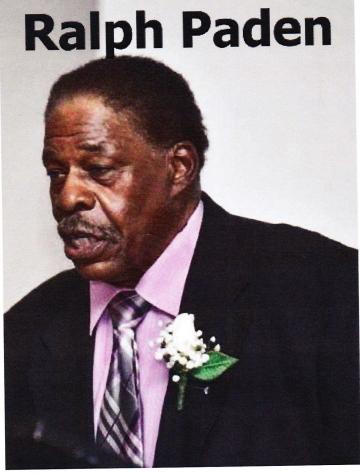


**James Jones** 

**Jasper Staton** 

















# Celebrating The Life Of Janice Wilkins Spriggs



Sunrise: April 10, 1944 Sunset: November 11, 2021

Monday, November 29, 2021 Viewing: 9:30 a.m. Service: 10:30 a.m.

J.B. JENKINS FUNERAL HOME
7474 Landover Road



Janice Carter Wilkins Spriggs

Thank you for all that you accomplished as President of the Fairmont Heights High School Alumni Association.

### Obituary

Janice Lenier Wilkins Spriggs (Carter) departed this life on Thursday, November 11th, 2021, on Veterans' Day at the Idlewild House in Bowie, Maryland where she was cared for, for only a short time. Janice passed due to complications of Parkinson's disease. Janice was born to the late, Inez Beatrice Craig Carter and Willard Earl Carter on April 10, 1944, at Columbia Hospital in Washington, D.C. She is predeceased in death by her sister Yvonne Goode, Brothers Leslie R. and Rodney E. Carter, Sr. and her grandson, Trey Kent.

Janice grew up in Prince George's County and was educated in the P.G. County Public School System. She later graduated Fairmont Heights High School then attended Strayer University where she received her Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. She was employed with the Federal Government at the Department of Education as a Financial Analyst for 30 years.

Once she retired, she became the Treasury for the Booker T. Homes Community Organization where she and other community members and friends hosted the Annual Booker T. Homes Cookout. This was an event she thoroughly enjoyed each year and looked forward to the next year. She most enjoyed the fellowship and comradery with the community where she once grew up. Also, she spent time with ex-coworkers she befriended while employed and they would go out to lunch on occasion and have a laugh or two just catching up with one another.

Janice and her husband Vincent loved to go over to Kent Island to go fishing and crabbing and once and a while they would swing over to Ocean City and spend a few days just enjoying each other's company while walking the boardwalk, eating good food and having some quiet time together.

She enjoyed family and special events and spent as much time as she could with her family. She and Vincent hosted several Easter events and other family functions at their home. Janice and Vincent also joined and attend the Righteous Church of God where they would come together with their church family in fellowship and prayer. A good Sunday Church Service was usually followed by a nice brunch out before returning home and perhaps taking in a good football game and praying the Redskins would pull off a win.

Janice spoke on the importance of a good education it was something she felt strongly about and always shared her excitement and enthusiasm when a family member would graduate from high school, college or whatever you did to make a better you. She encouraged a solid educational background and was so proud of anyone who took ownership and pride in their future. She will surely be missed but we are better for having her in our lives even though the time always seems so short. "It is the will of God that mortal bodies be laid aside when the soul is to enter into real life". You can rest in peace now.

Janice leaves to cherish her memories, her husband Vincent W. Spriggs, Sr., son, Preston Wilkins, brother, Reginald Carter, sisters, Deborah Moore (Olah) and Olivia Carter extended family, Vincent W. Spriggs, Jr. and LaShawnda Spriggs, sister In-Laws, Mary Spriggs, Shirley Taylor and Evelyn Spriggs, she is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.



Clara Marie Thomas, the youngest of nine children born to the late Mary Louise "Brown" Thomas and Vincent DePaul Thomas, quietly went home to be with the Lord on September 26, 2021.

Marie was born on January 21, 1945 and shared her birthday with her twin brother, the late William Maurice Thomas who peacefully passed on April 30, 2020. Marie's siblings each preceded her in death, the late Florence Dorothea Pinkney, Mary Lucille Wells, Agnes Bernice Spriggs, Charles Wilbert, Vincent Eugene, Raymond Nelson, and James Earl Thomas. What a reunion they must be having right now!

Marie received her formal education in Prince George's County Public Schools. She graduated from Fairmont Heights High School and was an active member of the Alumni committee. She stayed in contact with many of her classmates and cheerfully attended her 50th Class Reunion.

Marie was a devout Catholic and member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Mitchellville, Maryland. For many years she sang in the church choir. In recent years, she faithfully attended mass for the shut-in and received communion at home. She was an active member of the Ladies' Auxiliary No. 109, Knights of St. John International. Marie did not let her health define her lifestyle. When asked how she was feeling on any given day, her response was, "I am blessed and highly favored", gleaming her infectious smile. Affectionately known as "Ree-Ree", she was a friend, confidant, and faithful Christian until the end.

Marie's home décor is a testament to her love for angels and butterflies. She treasured and took special care of each trinket in her collection. She was very organized and meticulous with impeccable penmanship. Everything had its own special place in her home. She tuned in to Praise 104.1 daily to enjoy gospel music and on Saturdays she listened to Oldies but Goodies on WPFW.

Marie was the first person to call to express sincere birthday, anniversary, and holiday wishes. She also sent get well and thinking of you cards respectfully. Marie enjoyed family gatherings and traveled to attend a family reunion in Atlanta, Georgia. She enjoyed the scenic ride to Deep Creek, Maryland during her latest family trip.

Marie left to cherish her memories her nieces and nephews, cousins, god children and a host of other family members and friends.

#### **OBITUARY**

Elaine (Laine) Delores McRae departed this life on April 20, 2021 at Doctors Community Hospital, Lanham, Maryland.

Born Elaine Delores Hall on November 11, 1939, she was the oldest daughter of the late Thomas A. Hall, Sr. and Lucille I. Hall of Laurel, Maryland.

Elaine attended Fairmont Heights High School in Landover, MD. Shortly, after high school, she met the love of her life, Ralph McRae. They were married on March 29, 1958 and recently celebrated their sixty-third anniversary. From their union, they were blessed with five children (Valerie, Ralph, Mark, Tanja, and Michele).

Elaine retired from Peoples Drug Store (which later became CVS) after loyally working there for thirty years.

Elaine was well loved by all who knew her. She enjoyed having her family and friends over on the weekends for cookouts and would spend time with her parents, sisters, and brother at Sunday dinners. She also enjoyed trips to North Carolina for family reunions and taking cruises to different places.

Elaine was "the perfect Mother" to her children. Their fondest memories include her dancing and singing with them. She loved oldies but goodies and gospel music. Words can't express what a loving mother they had. There was never a time she was not there for her children. She was the best mother anyone could have ask for. She was the heart and strength of her family and she loved all of them endlessly.

Elaine was preceded in death by her daughter, Valerie "Denise" McRae and her brother, Thomas A. Hall Jr. Elaine leaves to mourn her husband, Ralph Sr.; two sons and one daughter-in-law, Ralph McRae, Jr. and Mark McRae (Shanna); two daughters and two sons-in-law, Tanja (Laroy) and Michele (David); four sisters; three brothers-in-law and four sisters-in-law, Mildred Weems, Mary Hall-Savoy, Gwendolyn Morgan, Beverly Teagel (Steve), Curtis McRae (Millie) and Kale McRae (Janie), Janet Hall and Gladys Little; ten grandchildren, Dwayne McRae (Tasha), Mark McRae Jr., Angel Nicholson, Jermaine Thompson (LaShaune), Londunn McRae, LaToya Towns, Larry Towns, Devyn Wilkins, Dashá Wilkins, and Danielle Wilkins; Eight great-grandchildren, Danasia McRae, India McRae, Asia McRae, Quran Nicholson, Ra'Mya Thomas, Arya Towns, Jaivon Holt and Kyree McRae; three long-time friends, Margaret "Sally" Ross, Burnell Ross, and Eveline Bush; and a host of other relatives and friends.



## Robert Aubrey Lancaster, Jr. November 08. 1946 - February 19. 2021

Robert Aubrey Lancaster, Jr, 74, of Richmond Kentucky passed away February 19th, 2021 at U.K. Bluegrass Hospice Care in Lexington Kentucky. Robert was born in Prince George's County, Maryland on November 8th 1946 to the late Robert Aubrey Lancaster, Sr and Cecilia Lancaster. A graduate of Howard University, Robert was a decorated veteran of the Air Force where he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, Meritorious Service Medal (One Bronze Oak Leaf), and the Air Force Commendation Medal (One Bronze Oak Leaf) among many, many other awards. Robert was a Command Pilot with 3400 flight hours in 25 different aircraft and piloted over 153 combat missions. After 20 years of distinguished service in the military, Robert retired with a rank of Colonel and continued his love of flying as a Pilot for United Airlines both domestic and international.

He is survived by his son Robert Aubrey Lancaster III (Theresa), daughter, Lori Lancaster Adams (Matthew), two grandchildren, Justin Lancaster and Alexandra Adams, sister Barbara Okon and Thelma Lancaster (deceased).

Visitation will be March 8th at 11:00 am at Betts and West Funeral Home, 404 N Main St, Nicholasville Kentucky 40356. Burial will follow at Camp Nelson. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research. www.bettsandwestfuneralhome.com



#### **Prophet Alvin Carlton Jones**

Prophet Alvin Carlton Jones was born October 29, 1949 and fell asleep suddenly on December 4, 2021. He was the first-born son of the late Elder Charles Franklin Jones, Founder of Solid Rock Assembly of Yahweh. and Mother Corine Booker Jones. He was known as Deac, Pop Pop, Dad, Daddy, Deacon. And Brother Deac. He was the life of the party and when he was around people, he would come alive, and he never met a stranger. He brought a smile to the face of everyone he met in all race's colors and creeds. Deac graduated from Fairmount Heights High School and received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Physical Education at Bowie State University in 1974. He was a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Delta Mu Chapter. It has been said that the organization grew after he pledged that fraternity. Deac was previously employed at Goddard Space Flight Center

as a data analyst. He worked at Walker Mill Junior High School as a Physical Education Teacher and later as a teacher in the Supervised discipline Center. He taught tennis for many years at various clubs in the Baltimore area and privately elsewhere. He was one of the best tennis instructors around. He played in multiple tournaments including the prequalifies for the professional circuit. He was a high-ranking player on the tennis team at Bowie State University. He was a former member of the United States Tennis Association (USTA). The ability to play tennis was one legacy he left for his family as he taught them to play the game. Deac was a great athlete. In addition, he was an avid reader of the bible. He played base violin, chess, checkers, cards, racquetball, basketball, and ping pong. He performed in modern dance. Deac was very competitive.

He leaves to celebrate his life his loving and dedicated wife Carolyn. She was the love of his life and he hers, his soulmate, best friend, companion. They were together for 50 years. He has 4 children, Carlton, Yakira, Nasya, and Chira, One son in law Waleed Sr. 15 grandchildren, Shane, Illiana, Ricky, Yahzarah, Naaman, Waleed Jr, Lanayah, Rayah, Raheem, Kareem, Amon, Dayah, Sadiyah, and Wallace. Yakim is no longer with us. Five siblings, Sharleen (fell asleep on 8-2-2021), Michael, Carolyn, Titus, and Charles who is also no longer with us. He has three brothers in law Linford, James Allen, and Marcus. Four sisters in law Loretta (Herman) Beatrice, Sharon (Hans) and Sandra. He has one niece, Takisha, three nephews, James Rashan, Marcus Jr and Franklin. one great niece., Alyssa, two great nephews Chase and Ethan, three aunts, Loretta, Claudette, Yvonne and one Uncle Muhammed. He has a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, great nieces, and nephews, biologically and by law, and one aunt in law. He has a host of brothers and sisters in Yahweh and a host of fraternity brothers and great friends.

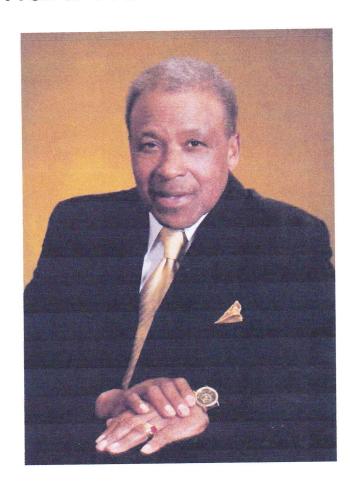
He loved to praise Yahweh and didn't care who was around. As a prophet is message was for everyone to give Yahweh the praise. He left his family the greatest legacy one could desire and that was the knowledge of Yahweh and Yahshua.

A memorial service is planned for Sunday December 19,2021 at 1:00 p.m. at Vaughn Greene funeral home located at 8728 Liberty Road Randallstown, Maryland 21133. In lieu of flowers please send monetary donations to Zelle 4437569589 or cash app \$NasyaTamar.

You can access the service via Livestream, the link is located on the Home Page of the Vaughn Greene website.

# In Loving Memory Of our Brother

# **Donald Hamilton Wilson**



Class of 1954

"Always a Gentleman"



Of our Sister

### Frances Cabrini Wilson

(Frankye)



Class of 1964

"One Worthy of Remembrance"

#### Alma Mater

It's Fairmont Heights High School
Our Alma Mater fair
In sunlight and star shine
We see thee in all thy glory.
The gray and maroon, thy colors so glorious,
Ever we praise and hold them
High to the breeze as the symbol
Of our unfailing allegiance.
This anthem, Fairmont Heights, our pledge
Of trust shall be
That thy sons and daughters shall keep faith
With thee forever.

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Acknowledgements (December 2019 program)

#### Memorial Service Committee

President, FHHSAA Daphne Bell (81)

Member William Allen Grimes (65)
Member Michael L. Marshall (63)

MemberFred N. Smith (63)MemberMary McKinney (63)MemberCarolyn Scriber (66)CatererClaudia Clark-Holland

The Memorial Service Committee would like to give special thanks to Rev. Robert R. Johnson Jr., Rev. Dr. Rev. Robert S. McConnell, Sr., Dr. DeMarcus McMillan, Choir Director: Norma Legette & the Messengers of Zion Youth Choir, FHHS JROTC, all of the family members, special guest, alumni and volunteers, who helped make this Memorial Service Program a success.

NOTE: Previous Memorial Service programs and photos are posted on the FHHSAA website - <a href="https://www.fhhsaa.com">www.fhhsaa.com</a> .



Old hornets never die!



They just buzz away.

