

Honorary Pallbearers

Mark Miller
Wendel Reed
Jaquan Jackson
Melvin Hairston, Jr.

Honorary Flower Bearers

Renee Miller-Smith
Judith Williams

Acknowledgement

We thank you so much for all the kindness you have shown. For friendship's healing touch, with gratitude our hearts are full, though words cannot convey the tender thoughts and thankfulness we hold for you today. Love, the family



Service Entrusted to:
Hodges and Edwards Funeral Home
Suitland, Maryland



*Celebrating the Life
of
Jacqueline Faye Hairston*

October 12, 1962 - October 21, 2020



Tuesday, November 3, 2020

**Family Hour: 10::00 a.m.
Service: 11:00 a.m.**

*Hodges and Edwards Funeral Home
3910 Silver Hill Road
Suitland, Maryland*

Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor

Obituary



Jacqueline "Jackie" Faye Hairston was born in Washington, D.C. She moved to Capitol Heights, Maryland, in 1975. She lived a life of worship, work, travel, and cheer.

While completing her junior and senior years at Central High School, Jackie worked part-time at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., as a work-study student. In 1980, after graduating high school, she was hired full-time and continued working at the Library for five more years. In 1985, she accepted a position as a distribution/registry cage clerk with the United States Postal Service where she remained for 35 years.

Jackie was a committed professional; however, she knew when and how to interject moments of levity. At work, she celebrated every holiday with festive décor, and she wore outfits that included holiday themed hats and other accessories for each occasion. Additionally, she was known for bringing candy or delectable pastries, and special occasion "spreads" featuring fare from the Dutch Village Farmers Market (Amish Market), and The Honey Baked Ham Company to her workplace every day.

Jackie loved traveling, eating a good burger or hotdog, and rooting for her favorite football team, The Washington Redskins. She was a fun-loving woman who, on a whim, took a day-trip to Lancaster, Pennsylvania; and in the following month joined an all-Korean tour group on a trip to the Grand Canyon. Although she couldn't speak a word of Korean, she made sure she had a good time! One of her favorite outings was a Redskins home game where she posed for a photo with former quarterback, Doug Williams.

Jackie loved the Lord Jesus Christ, and gave her life to Him as a child. In 2007, she rededicated her life, and joined From the Heart Church Ministries. Over the years, she anonymously gave out countless Bibles to people everywhere, especially children. She often said, "It's not important to know who gave the Bibles; it is Jesus Christ that they need to know."

Jackie will forever be remembered for her Christian spirit, warm generosity, infectious smile; and zeal for adventure. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Jackie leaves to cherish her memory her father, Melvin Hairston, Sr.; brother, Melvin Hairston, Jr.; several cousins; and a host of friends and coworkers.

"She is Gone" by David Harkins

You can shed tears that she is gone,
Or you can smile because she has lived.
You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back,
Or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left.
Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,
Or you can be full of the love that you shared.
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.
You can remember her and only that she is gone,
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back,
Or you can do what she would want
smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

Love, Dad and Melvin (Brother)

Order of Service

Invocation

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 23
New Testament: John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection FTH Psalmist

Acknowledgements

Ms. Hellen Beard
Mr. Timothy Hill

Obituary (Read Silently)

Song of Preparation FTH Psalmist

Message of Hope Minister Patricia Taylor

Call to Christ

Recessional

Interment
Cedar Hill Cemetery
Suitland, Maryland