



*Celebrating the Life of*

*Gene Romane Jones*

*Sunrise:*  
*February 26, 1958*



*Sunset:*  
*January 20, 2025*

***Thursday, February 6, 2025***

*Viewing: 10:00 a.m. | Service: 11:00 a.m.*

**From the Heart Church Ministries®**  
5055 Allentown Road | Suitland, Maryland 20746  
Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor



## *Obituary*

*"I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race. I have kept the faith."  
II Timothy 4:7*

### **Life Reflections**

**Gene Romane Jones** was born on February 26, 1958, in Lottsburg, Virginia, to Raymond Leon Jones, Sr. and the late Erma Gene Jones.

She graduated from Northumberland High School in 1976 and furthered her education at Virginia Commonwealth University where she received an undergraduate degree in 1980.

In April 2021, she retired from the United States Postal Service after 35 years of dedicated service.

Gene was married to Emanuel Sweeney, Jr., for 14 years before divorcing in 2003. In May of 2005, she proudly wed James Weldon Jones and became mother to Jamil and Jomari whom she referred to as "my boys." The blessed couple lovingly remained together until her death.

Gene was a dedicated and loving wife, daughter, mother, sister, sister-in-law, aunt, cousin, friend and mentor. More importantly, she was a woman of God. In 1997, she joined From the Heart Church Ministries in Maryland. She was a longtime faithful member who for 15 years served in the Parking and Grounds, Multimedia, Health and Recovery, and Wedding Coordinating Ministries. She was very active in the church before her health began to fail and even then, she still put her best foot forward. Gene genuinely loved the Lord and her church family. And she happily looked forward to weekly fellowship with the saints.

Gene loved her family, friends, and everyone she encountered. She would often say, "I don't understand why some people find it difficult to love; it doesn't cost anything." If you came in contact with Gene, you had no choice but to love her. She always had a smile on her face and would try her best to bring one to others' faces. She was simply a bubbly person.

Gene's family labeled her the "energizer bunny" because it seemed as though she kept going, and going, and going. In fact, she made you tired watching her move from place to place. Travel was one of her favorite things to do, and travel she did. Occasionally, her father would say that "Heaven is the only place left for her to go." Well now, that mission has been accomplished. She took her final flight; absent from the body, she's now present with the Lord.

Everyone is going to miss Gene, especially her Winding Trail Court neighbors and friends, who loved her dearly; and it was certainly reciprocated. She absolutely loved her neighborhood and cherished each neighbor.

Gene was called into eternal rest on Monday, January 20, 2025. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Gene leaves to cherish her memories, her loving and devoted husband, James; children, Jamil Jones (Crystal) of Upper Marlboro, MD, and Jomari Jones (Stephanie) of Manassas, VA; grandchildren: A'Zari, Hailey, Logan, Jaden and Alaiya Jones; father, Raymond Leon Jones, Sr.; siblings: Joshua Jones (Phyllis) of Lottsburg, VA, Raymond Leon Jones, Jr. of Accokeek, MD, Marion Curry (John) of Oxon Hill, MD, Lottie Tyler (Paul) of Fort Washington, MD, and Crystal Tilghman of White Plains, MD; brothers-in-law, Alfred Jones of MD, and Melvin Jones of Alexandria, VA; sisters-in-law, Veronica Jones of Kinston, NC, Edna Miller of NC, and Theresa Jones of Heathsville, VA; aunt, Elsie Carter of Baltimore, MD; uncles: Glasko Jones (Hazel) of MD, and Robert James and Rayfield Jones of VA; Godson, Jerome Smith, Jr., very dear and special friends, Liz Sims, John Curl, and Tammy Sparkman; and many other family members and friends.

Gene was preceded in death by her youngest brother, John Milton Jones.

*"Yes, we are fully confident, and we would rather be away from these earthly bodies, for then we will be at home with the Lord." (II Corinthians 5:8 NLT)*

# Order of Service

**Invocation**

**Congregational Hymn** ..... "O How I Love Jesus"

**Scripture Reading**

*Old Testament: Psalm 34:1-8*  
*New Testament: II Corinthians 5:1-8*

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Selection** ..... *Mr. Jomari Jones and Mr. Jamil Jones*

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

*Ms. Liz Sims, Special Friend*  
*Ms. Anita Smith, High School Classmate '76*  
*Mr. Bruce Bynum, Cousin*  
*Ms. Marion Curry, Sister*

**Obituary (Read Silently)**

**Song of Preparation** ..... *Sister Linda Gray*

**Message of Hope** ..... *Minister Janet D. Briscoe*

**Call to Christ**

**Recessional**

**Interment**  
*Fort Lincoln Cemetery*  
*3401 Bladensburg Road | Brentwood, Maryland 20722*





# *Family Sentiments*

## *Afterglow*

*by Helen Lowrie Marshall*

*I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.*

*I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.*

*I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,  
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.*

*I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;*

*Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.*







# Congregational Hymn

## **O How I Love Jesus**

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
It sounds like music in my ear, The sweetest Name on earth.

### *Refrain*

*O, how I love Jesus, O, how I love Jesus,  
O, how I love Jesus, Because He first loved me!*

It tells me of a Savior's love, Who died to set me free;  
It tells me of His precious blood, The sinner's perfect plea.

### *Refrain*

It tells me what my Father hath, In store for every day,  
And though I tread a darksome path,  
Yields sunshine all the way.

### *Refrain*

It tells of One whose loving heart,  
Can feel my deepest woe,  
Who in each sorrow bears a part,  
That none can bear below.

### *Refrain*

## Acknowledgement

*The Jones family sincerely thanks all of you for your prayers, comfort, love and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!*

## Pallbearers

*Kyle Curry, Rondel Curry, Sean Curry, John Curl,  
Durrell Tyler, Mike Turpin*

## Flower Bearers

*Class of '76/Friends of the Family*

## Services Entrusted to:

*Wiseman Funeral Home  
4591 Allentown Road | Suitland, MD 20746*

