



## DeLois Argentine Jones

August 1, 1931 - July 25, 2019

Bluefield, WV

DeLois A. Jones, 87, received her Angel Wings surrounded by her loved ones while at home on Thursday, July 25, 2019.

DeLois, known to many as “Boots”, was born on August 1, 1931 to the late Arline E. Jones, Sr. and Mary P. Jones in Bluefield, WV, where she lived most of her life. While she lived in several other places, including Temple Hills, MD, Charlotte, NC, and most recently in Salem, VA, Bluefield was always home.

She was an active member of her community and enjoyed working with and helping the young and old alike. In the 70’s she opened up a little place for the young people to go that was “right around the corner --- and just across the track” --- they called the “Psychedelic Shack”. In the 80’s she was a Brownie and Girl Scout troop leader and she worked as a Nursing Assistant while also caring for the sick and shut-in in the community.

She was an artist, who enjoyed painting, decorating, planting flowers or simply arranging them for the church pulpit.

Boots was a long-time faithful member of John Stewart United Methodist Church where she enjoyed being the president of, and singing with the choir,

being the president of several circles and a communion steward. As one of the leaders of the church, she was often a representative at the United Methodist Women Conference.

She loved to love on people, meeting no strangers, and always with a sweet smile. But it was her love for her family that is rivaled by no other. Our mother and grandmother instilled in us strong values and a love for God that will continue to serve us all well. She will be dearly missed and forever in our hearts.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Charles D. Thomas, brother Arline E. Jones, Jr., sister Phyllis Y. Jones, son Gerald A. Thomas and daughter Deborah J. Thomas.

In loving memory, she leaves her loving sister, Peggy Hunter of Pittsburgh, PA, her beloved children, Donald Thomas (Evelyn) of Calhoun, SC, Sylvia Yarrell of Cincinnati, OH, Charlotte Banks (Twyman) of Blue Ridge, VA, Charles Thomas of Charlotte, NC and Deloris Thomas (a.k.a. Dee Dee) of Richmond, VA as well as her dear cousin Jill Clark of Akron, OH. Additionally, she leaves her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and many friends.

The family will receive friends at Mercer Funeral Home on Wednesday, July 31, 2019 from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM.

Her Birthday and Homegoing Celebration will be held at John Stewart United Methodist Church in Bluefield, WV on Thursday, August 1st at 11:00 AM with Rev. James Reed officiating.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Restlawn Memorial Gardens

Bluefield, WV 24701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 31. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory  
1231 West Cumberland Road  
Bluefield, WV 24701  
(304) 327-6155  
mercerc@mercercfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.mercercfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

AUG 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

John Stewart United Methodist Church  
102 Jones Street  
Bluefield, WV 24701

# Tribute Wall



“ *DeLois Argentine Jones*

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October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Mrs. Jones had a smile that lit up the entire room!!@ She made me smile EVERY time I visited her. I enjoy being a part of taking care of her. She will be missed dearly by the staff of AMEDISYS HOSPICE STAFF. You all are a beautiful loving family.*

*Bernita Claxton LPN/ AMEDISYS HOSPICE*

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**Bernita Claxton** - September 27, 2019 at 07:48 PM



“ *To The Thomas Family:  
Having lived in the neighborhood and returned so many times over the years, we always had a friend in Ms. Boots. Whether at Park Central-Genoa Reunions or at our Harris family gatherings or funerals in later years, she never failed to recognize and have conversation. That's a real friend and neighbor. She will always be remembered for that winning smile and charming personality. May God continue His Blessings upon you all as you greive your loss, knowing that your Mom and loved ones gone forward, are forever with you.*

*Helen Harris and Kathy Harris, Covington, VA*

*Laura Harris Waddy, Roanoke, VA*

*Warren Harris, Jr., Greenville, NC*

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**Laura Harris Waddy** - August 06, 2019 at 07:24 PM

CS

“ *Cheri Stierer lit a candle in memory of DeLois Argentine Jones*



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**Cheri Stierer** - August 02, 2019 at 02:08 PM

JP

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Miss Boots passing. My heart goes out to the family, my sincerest condolences, praying for you all.*



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**Joyce Penn** - August 02, 2019 at 11:56 AM

SL

“ *I'm sharing the pain and sorrow you are feeling today, and praying that as time passes, the emptiness you feel will subside as the Lord comforts you and gives you peace. With deepest sympathy on the loss of your beloved mother.*

*The family is in my prayers during this difficult time.*

*Sabrina Leath-Morrison*

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**Sabrina Leath-Morrison** - August 01, 2019 at 09:17 AM

TS

“ *I have never met a more gracious, loving woman. She embraced people with the kindest disposition. I can truly say that she fit the description of a proverb 31 woman.*

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**Toni Sanchious-Richardson** - August 01, 2019 at 07:10 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of DeLois Argentine Jones.*



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August 01, 2019 at 12:42 AM



“ *Frances Hanley Mahan lit a candle in memory of DeLois Argentine Jones*



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**Frances Hanley Mahan** - July 31, 2019 at 09:44 PM



“ *To The Thomas Family:*

*Please accept our deepest sympathy in the loss of your mother and our neighborhood and John Stewart Church friend. Boots was soooo kind and gentle and always wore a smile on her beautiful face. She will be missed by many.*

*May GOD bless all of you during this difficult time. Please know you are in our prayers.*

*Harriet Sue Campbell Wray  
Mr. And Mrs. J. Franklin Long  
Traci Morris  
Christopher Campbell Wray*

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**Sue Campbell Wray** - July 31, 2019 at 06:28 PM

AK

“ *Ms. Boots was such a warm and friendly person. My first memory was her coming to kindergarten. She was always a helping hand and an encourager at John Stewart. My sincere condolences to all the family as you remember and celebrate the life of Ms. Boots.*  
*Audrey Wisdom Keys*

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**Audrey Wisdom Keys** - July 31, 2019 at 04:16 PM

LS

“ *Donald, Sylvia, Charlotte, Charles, & Dee Dee,*

*There are no words to express our sorrow. Growing up in the same neighborhood, we shared many moments with Ms Boots. Always a loving smile, kind word and a hug. Your mother was and integral part of our "village" which made us all better people. We join you in celebrating the amazing life of Ms Boots and wishing you all comfort and peace.*

*Our deepest condolences to the entire family. God Bless you all.*

*The Willis Family,  
Amanda Sawyers, Butch, Edna & Chester*

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**Lethia A Sawyers** - July 30, 2019 at 11:28 PM

AL

“ Mrs. Boots welcomed me in her home so very long ago. I will always remember her kindness and warm heart. DeeDee, my dear old Friend, I'm here for you...

God Bless you & the Family.

Love,  
Lexi



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Alexia - July 30, 2019 at 06:46 PM

AW

“ Alexia Wilson-Hatley purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of DeLois Argentine Jones.



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Alexia Wilson-Hatley - July 30, 2019 at 06:14 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of DeLois Argentine Jones.



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July 30, 2019 at 06:06 PM

LF

“ Love, Alfie Tulus and Banks Family purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of DeLois Argentine Jones.



Love, Alfie Tulus and Banks Family - July 30, 2019 at 04:26 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of DeLois Argentine Jones.



July 30, 2019 at 03:12 PM

JC

“ To The Thomas Family. So sorry to hear the loss of your Mother. Miss Booths was a lovely person, she had a beautiful smile whenever you saw her. She will be missed. My deepest condolences to your family.  
Jeannette Jefferies Chapman  
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

Jeannette Chapman - July 30, 2019 at 12:57 AM

GH

“ I will always remember Boots from John Stewart Church. She was such a sweet and fun-loving person. My condolences to the family.



Geraldine Haislip-Bell - July 29, 2019 at 06:12 PM

WS

“ To the family,

*My deepest sympathy for your loss. RIP Mrs.  
Delois.*



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**Wanda Swain** - July 29, 2019 at 05:14 PM

JB

“ Charlotte and Twyman,  
Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. You have been a  
Blessing in our lives.  
We honor your Friendship.

*Jerry Bowen*

*From all your friends at Hideaway Self Storage  
Blue Ridge, Va  
York, S.C.  
Fort Myers, Fl  
Cape Coral, Fl*

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**Jerry Bowen** - July 29, 2019 at 05:00 PM

CG

“ Mts. Boots was a loving lady always kind and gracious she always  
made you feel welcomed and she will be missed by many she may  
never know she touched. My prayers 4 the family is that her Legacy  
of love will continue and you all find peace in knowing she is home  
waiting for you love each of you Evangelist Cornelia Garrett

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**cornelia Garrett** - July 29, 2019 at 03:58 PM

KS

“ Kudzu Staffing purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of DeLois Argentine Jones.



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**Kudzu Staffing** - July 29, 2019 at 12:20 PM

KE

“ Dee Dee,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Rest in the Lord. He will give you strength.  
Kevin

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**Kevin** - July 29, 2019 at 08:27 AM

DD

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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**Dee Dee** - July 28, 2019 at 09:49 PM

DF

“ So very sorry for such a great loss. You are in our prayers. Deloris French and family

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**Deloris French** - July 28, 2019 at 07:19 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of DeLois Argentine Jones.* ”



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July 28, 2019 at 06:20 PM