

WE DON'T NEED A SPECIAL DAY

*We don't need a special day
To bring you to our mind,
The days we don't think of you,
Are very hard to find.*

*Each morning when we awake,
We know that you are gone.
And no one knows the heartache
As we try to carry on.*

*Our heart still aches with sadness,
And secret tears still flow,
What it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know.*

*Our thoughts are always with you,
Your place no one can fill...
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still.*

Creola, Bobbie, Ida Mae, & Brenda

Order of Service

FIT FOR A QUEEN

Processional..... Clergy, Lady of Honor, and Family
Selection..... McChapel AME Church Male Chorus
Invocation..... Reverend Richard Peterson, Pastor
Holy Neck Missionary Baptist Church
Scriptures of Comfort:
Old Testament Reverend Arlester McCalister, Sr.
New Testament Minister Reginald McCalister
Hymn Minister Rudolph Dickens
Words of Comfort Bishop Jeffery Hatcher
Bible Believing Baptist Church, Detroit, MI
Duet Minister Gwendolyn Roulhac
Sister Constance Capehart
Tribute Sister Ida Mae Keys
Resolutions/Acknowledgements..... Peoples' Staff
Selection..... McChapel AME Church Male Chorus
Eulogy Superintendent David Woods
Yes Lord COGIC, Chipley, FL
Recessional

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

The Late Keys Brothers

Alonzo Keys, Sr.
Jimmie Lee Keys
Earnest Keys

Lamar Keys
Tom "LC" Keys, Sr.
Reverend James Keys

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Alonzo Keys, Jr.
Anthony M. Keys, Sr.
Lonnie Keys, Sr.

Kevin Scott
Reggie Toombs, Jr.
Anthony Keys

FLOWER BEARERS

Nieces and Friends

INTERMENT

Holy Neck/St. Phillip Cemetery
Cemetery Lane
Marianna, Florida

REPAST

The Keys Family Home
3475 Highway 2
Campbellton, Florida

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*The family of Sister Emma Jean Keys Jones would like to
thank everyone for their kind expressions. Your phone calls,
visits, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have all helped greatly
during our time of bereavement.*

May God continue to bless each of you, is our prayer.

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"We Are Not Satisfied Until You Are"

A LIFE WORTH CELEBRATING



SISTER

Emma Jean KEYS JONES

SUNRISE
August 27, 1948

SUNSET
February 20, 2026

Saturday, March 7, 2026
11:00 AM

HOLY NECK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
3395 Cemetery Lane
Marianna, Florida 32446

*Reverend Richard Peterson, Pastor, Presiding
Superintendent David Woods, Eulogist*

Precious



Obituary

SISTER EMMA JEAN KEYS JONES was the eighth child born to the late Tom Keys and Leona Keys in Marianna, Florida, on August 27, 1948. She was a bundle of joy and was truly a blessing from the Lord.

Emma was raised along with her other siblings and family to love the Lord and family regardless of what came between them. Above all the saying was, "blood is thicker than water".

Emma was taught about the need for a relationship with God, she attended the Holy Neck Missionary Baptist Church and at a very early age she confessed Christ as her Lord and Saviour. She was baptized and joined Holy Neck under the leadership of Reverend Winfield.

Emma loved Holy Neck and was very faithful and active at church. One of her greatest joys was working for the Lord singing in the Young Adult Choir, where she served diligently as the president and took her responsibilities very seriously. One song Emma lead in the spirit of the Lord was "He Said".

Emma was educated in the Jackson County school system, where she also was gainfully employed for more than 36 years as a bus driver. Emma was an expert at this job. She excelled in professionalism, being punctual, and making a lasting impression on all the students she was privileged to transport to school. She loved all of the children and treated them as she was their mother, giving them praise, encouragement, and correction when needed. Her students never forgot her and would never fail to tell her what a difference she made in their lives when they would see her. She was known as the beloved driver of Bus 49.

A woman of grace, strength, and beauty, Emma touched the lives of all who knew her; her warm smile, infectious laugh, and unforgettable personality will live on in the lives of her family, friends, and acquaintances.

In addition to her parents, Emma was also preceded in death by her six brothers, Jimmie Lee, Alonzo Sr., Tom "LC" Jr., Earnest, Pastor James Sr., and Lamar; two sisters, Gussie Faye and Juanita; and also several nieces and nephews.

Emma leaves a lifetime of cherished memories to her sisters, Creola, Bobbie, Ida Mae, Brenda, and Dorothy Butler; one stepdaughter, Winifred Robinson; three sisters-in-law, Dorothy Keys and Mitzi Briggs, both of Pontiac, MI, and Darlene Johnson of Morganfield, KY; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, students, and friends.

Memories

