



Jannie Rosetta Duckett Washington

August 18, 2025

Jannie Rosetta Duckett was the first of eight born to Horace and Clarsey Parks Duckett Sr. on June 19, 1925, in Chackbay, Louisiana. As a young child, Jannie grew up working in the sugar cane fields and later developed the skill of sewing, which proved useful when making clothes for her family. The family lived on Laurel Valley and Greenwood Plantations prior to settling in Marrero, Louisiana in 1938. As Jannie grew in age, she also began to grow in the knowledge of her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In the summer of 1938, at the age of 13, she was baptized in Baratavia Bay by the late Rev. G.W. Williams of St. John Baptist Church in Crown Point, Louisiana.

Jannie attended Rosenwald Elementary School and continued her education at the elite Gilbert Academy in New Orleans. She later transferred to L.B. Landry High School in Algiers, Louisiana. At L.B. Landry, she was involved in extracurricular activities such as tenor saxophonist in the band and singer in the choral trio. She also played short stop on the diamond and point guard on the court. None of these activities would hinder her from being named valedictorian of L.B. Landry's graduation Class of 1946.

After graduation, Jannie relocated to Buffalo, New York, where she mastered the art of sewing and machine operation as she was employed by Main Street Hatters in Manhattan, New York. She returned to Marrero to pursue entrepreneurial endeavors which included Butler Grocery and The Cook Shop Restaurant. She also established herself in the insurance industry as the top saleswoman at Rhodes Funeral Home for over twenty years. Jannie began

investing in multiple rental properties which would serve as passive income for several decades of her life while pursuing other ventures such as attending Thibodeaux Vocational School. She would graduate with a Certificate of Nursing Diploma in 1981 to utilize in home health services for patients in Thibodeaux and New Orleans.

Formerly, she was a longtime member of Morning Star Baptist Church in Marrero under the pastoral ship of the late Rev. Joseph Walker. Jannie moved her membership to St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Wilbert Tross Jr. She faithfully served as a member of the Missionary Choir, Mission Ministry, Sunday School, Senior Citizens, and Beautification Ministry.

On August 18, 2025, Jannie exchanged her cross for a crown. She leaves to cherish her incomparable legacy 2 daughters: Joyce Ann (Benjamin) Jeffery, Jannie Suzette (Stanton) Capers, 1 daughter in law: Victoria Butler; 1 brother: Horace (Ethel) Duckett Jr.; 2 sisters: Dorothy (the late Timothy Sr.) Jones and LouAudrey (the late George) Freeman; 14 grandchildren: Warren Jeffery, Davon (Krystal) Hayes, Bryant (Carolyn) Jeffery, Verinese (Daryl Sr.) Doris, Natalie Butler, Nathius (Charise) Butler, Nathan (Mya) Butler, Desiree Young, Nichelle (Sean) Porter, Shannon (Jerjuan) Thompson, Anitra Raymond, Ashley (Pacino) Lindsay, Justin Hawkins and Clarsey Hawkins; 29 great grandchildren; 13 great-great grandchildren as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents: Horace and Clarsey Parks Duckett Sr.; 2 Spouses: Robert Washington and Robert Butler; 3 sons: Nathaniel Butler, Kenneth Butler, and Rodney (Juilenne) Butler; 1 grandson: Melvin Owens; 2 great grandchildren: Malik Raymond and Sydney Weber; 4 siblings Raymond Duckett, Gustavia Duckett, Augustine (Henry) McCallon and Donald Duckett.

For 100 years, by the grace of God, this phenomenal woman exhibited her faith, wisdom, strength, and courage. To God be the glory for the things He has done in the life of Jannie Rosetta Duckett Washington.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend her Funeral Service at

St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church, 6223 6th Avenue, Marrero, LA on Saturday, August 30, 2025 at 10:00 am. Visitation will begin at 9:00 am. Interment: Providence Memorial Park Cemetery. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Avenue. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the guestbook and share condolences with the family.

Cemetery Details

Providence Park Cemetery

8200 Airline Dr.
Metairie, LA 70003

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 30. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church
6223 6th Avenue
Marrero, LA 70072

Funeral Service

AUG 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ To the family of Ms. Jannie, you have my deepest condolences. I remember Ms. Jannie as a wonderful spirited person who loved to talk, had a great sense of humor and was loved by her family and friends. Rest in Peace, Ms. Jannie, you had a wonderful full life!
Rose Mary Benjamin- Walker

Rosemary Benjamin Walker - August 30, 2025 at 08:09 AM

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“ To: The Family of Ms Jannie Washington;
May The GOD of all Comfort be with you now and forever more. Just know that GOD loves you and GOD always does what is Best. Be encouraged in the LORD 🙏🙏❤️❤️❤️



Norita Coleman - August 29, 2025 at 06:38 PM

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“ Condolences to Joyce and Suzette and all the family. Cherish the memories your Mother and her long beautiful life May her Soul Rest In Peace

Jackie Green - August 28, 2025 at 10:55 AM

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“ Jacqueline Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of Jannie Duckett Washington



Jacqueline Walker - August 27, 2025 at 07:48 PM

JG

“ To the daughters of Ms Janine you must remember your Mother had a wonderful and beautiful life so cherish all the memories you have of her May her Soul Rest In Peace

Jackie Green - August 27, 2025 at 06:05 PM

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“ Sending Love & Heartfelt Condolences to The Family. Praying that God will grant you Love, Comfort & Strength 🙏🙏 ☐☐ The Hollman Family Birmingham. Alabama

Carolyn Hollman - August 26, 2025 at 08:25 PM

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“ Grandma Jannie, I will miss those "happy eyes" of yours & your witty, jazzy spark. Thanks for all of the memories throughout my life. I know your boys & all the family gone before us met you with open arms on the other side. 100 full years lived: a huge blessing! Rest well, grandma...

Love, Ashley Butler Lindsay

Ashley Butler Lindsay - August 26, 2025 at 03:06 PM

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“ My Grandmother was blessed with 100 beautiful years of life. She was a pillar of strength, wisdom, and love for our entire family and leaves behind a legacy that will forever live in our hearts. Her century of life reminds us of the power of faith, and family. We are grateful and thankful for the countless memories and life lessons she gifted us. Get your rest now, Grandma. Your light will continue to shine through all of us. Love you always, Shannon (Butler) Thompson

Shannon Thompson - August 26, 2025 at 02:59 PM