



Obituary

Born: Friday, May 26, 1961

Died: Wednesday, December 20, 2017

Diana Louise Jones went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, December 20, 2017. Diana was born on May 26, 1961 in Mount Vernon, NY, the daughter of Joan Elizabeth (Hutner) Jones and James Henry Jones. She was predeceased by her mother, Joan Elizabeth (Hutner) Jones in October, 2004 and her father, James Henry Jones in August, 1988.

Diana was educated in the Wappinger's Central School District, where she graduated Roy C. Ketcham High School in June of 1979. Diana was an avid sports enthusiast and an excellent basketball player, and she played basketball on the Roy C. Ketcham girl's basketball team. She then attended Dutchess Community College, where she was recruited and received a basketball scholarship to play at Marist College, in Poughkeepsie, NY, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications.

Diana was a woman of faith, and after completing her degree at Marist College, she was chosen to play semi-professional basketball in Europe, this was before the days of the WNBA and she was a coach for a woman's basketball team in Ireland.

Diana had various successful careers and was employed at Verizon Wireless as a Business Sales Coordinator. She was an excellent employee and won numerous awards for selling the most accessories and was recognized many times as employee of the month.

Diana is survived by her best friend, of over 25 years Jacqueline Reilly, the daughters she raised Tiffany Lawrence and Clavia Jourdan. Her four sisters, Carolyn Jones, Joanne Jones, Laura Virginia Lee Jones, and Naomi Jones, nieces Alexa Griffin and Elizabeth Nelson and her godson Andrew Parker.

On Thursday, December 28, 2017, the viewing will be held at 10 a.m. followed by the funeral service at 11 a.m. at Ebenezer Baptist Church, 15 Smith Street, Poughkeepsie, NY. The

Service Summary

Visitation

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Thu Dec 28, 2017

Ebenezer Baptist Church

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Going Home Service

11:00 AM Thu Dec 28, 2017

Ebenezer Baptist Church

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Interment follows immediately after at Union Cemetery, 1076 Violet Avenue, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Arrangements are entrusted with Joseph J. Darrow Sr. Funeral Home Inc. 39 So Hamilton St Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 845-452-1840. To send an online condolence, please visit www.darrowfuneralhome.org