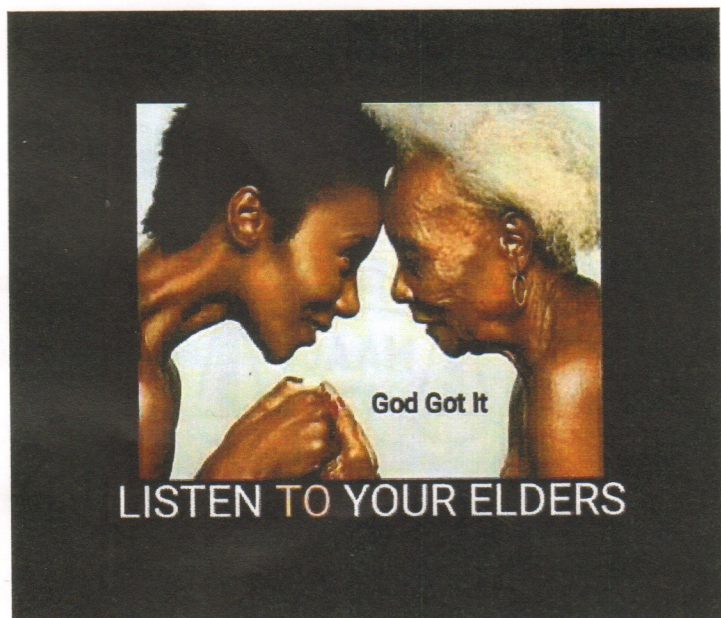


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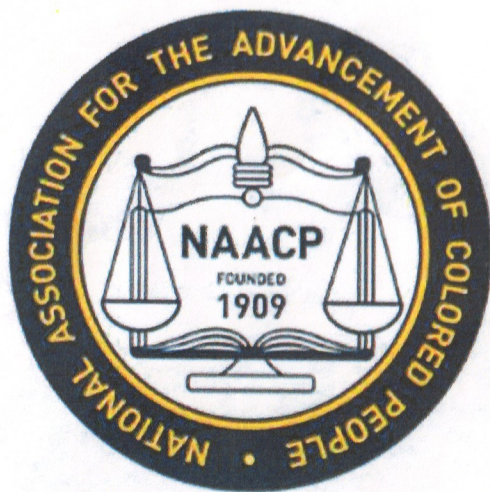
Holiday Inn

Johnstown, PA

Sunday, August 25, 2019

3:00 pm

Rev Webster Blades Israel, Speaker



Program

Mistress of Ceremonies..... Darlene Weatherly
Selection..... Wings of Faith
Welcome Carmella Jenean Walker
Invocation/Blessing..... Minister Jackie LaRue

Bon Appetit

Selection..... Wings of Faith
Introduction of Guest Speaker Pamela Nash
Guest Speaker Rev. Webster Blades Israel
Presentation of Honorees Darlene Weatherly
Solo..... Kimberly Fantauzzo
Special Presentation
Remarks Alan Cashaw
Benediction/Closing Prayer Rev. Maurice T. Williams



Minnie Broom

Minnie Lee Broom was born December 7, 1933 she was married to Robert Lee Broom, deceased. She migrated to the Johnstown area on July 1, 1936 and lived in the Conemaugh area. She's the mother of 4 children Theresa, Leslie Johnson, Robert and Ruben Broom. She has 8 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Her work history includes being a Nurse's Aide, Housework in Westmont and Skokie Valley Laundry & Dry Cleaners.

Most Memorable Moments

Family – Playing ball and hide and go seek

Community – Helping when the house caught on fire

Church – She is member of the Mt. Sinai Institutional Baptist Church they always give to her and ask how she is doing

Favorite Scripture: Psalm 23

Favorite Song: Precious Lord Take My Hand

What Advice would you give to young people today?

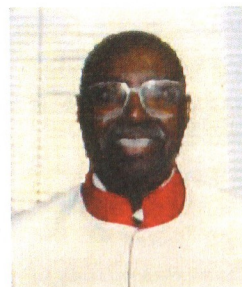
Stay in School, Honor Thy Mother and Father that you days may be longer.

Ms. Minnie is a registered voter, she votes for the local and state elections. She was pleased with President Obama, he did well with the Health Care.

Something that brought you great joy

Celebrating her birthday when all her children can come home.

Ms. Minnie is content in her life and is most grateful for her relationship with God.



Rev. Andrew Tilley

Rev. Andrew W. Tilly was born on July 20, 1928 in Plaquemine Parish Louisiana. Rev. Tilly was married in Philadelphia, PA in 1962 to Former First Lady Margaret Ruffin Tilly. they were the parents of one son, Jonathan Tilly born, July 1964 and one granddaughter Jackie Tilly, she resides in New Jersey. Rev. Tilly was Pastor of Vine Memorial in Philadelphia, before they relocated to Johnstown in 1965 when he was called to Pastor Pleasant Hill Baptist Church on October 2, 1965, he pastored for 47 years.

While Serving in the United States Army

Open a blood bank and personally collected blood, attended Benedict College in 1952, he preached sermon "Continuity of Service" and wrote several books, "Feed My Lambs" and "the Black Church Man". While at Fort Jackson he got permission from his commanding officer to collect money on pay day from the orderly room and hospital room. He gave all the (uncounted) money to the President of Benedict College for students and scholarships.

University of Pittsburgh

Pastor Tilly enrolled hundreds of students in college, there is a Minority Scholarship in honor of Rev. Tilly at UPJ to help give seniors an opportunity to attend college and high school students funding to pay for tuition and supplies. He organized the UPJ "Black Action Society" and established the "Education 101" Program to tutor high school students that need assistance. As a member of the faculty and administrative staff, Pastor Tilly and Dr. Dupont raised \$125,000 for St. Francis University to accept on a 1st time basis 25 minority student/books, supplies and tuition paid in full.

With the aid of people in the community, Mrs. Edna Timmons, Dr. Dupont, Bethlehem Steel Corp GM and Penelec. Pastor Tilly raised \$53,000 for the United Negro College Fund, they held a banquet for him and stated he was the largest private donation other than the donation from entertainer Lou Rawls, he Felt Honored.

He received the National Baptist Convention USA Inc Service Award, he has ordained countless ministers and deacons and formed the Pleasant Hill Baptist Youth Fellowship "BYF". He is known as "Johnstown's Shepard."

Rev. Tilly currently resides at Bala Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Philadelphia, PA



Claudia Jones

Claudia Beatrice Jones born May 28, 1933 to the proud parents of Elbert Otto Jones and Lillie Mae (Duncan) Jones. Claudia has never had any children of her own. ^{she is} Aunt to 5 nephews, 7 nieces including 1 deceased. At a young age, ^{she is} and she became the mother to her siblings. Sister of Attorney Ralph O. Jones and 4 deceased siblings, James, Annie, Daniel and Lt. Commander

Frederick E. ~~Claudia~~. After childbirth, her mother struggled with Postpartum Depression and she had to be moved to a Medical Facility because ^{she was} ~~you were~~ not allowed to stay at home with ^{her} ~~your~~ family. At the age of 14, Claudia had to take on the responsibility of taking on household duties, cleaning and cooking and making sure her siblings were taken care. Her parents were very serious about getting a good education and working hard. Ms. Claudia's Work History includes 14 yrs. at Joseph Johns Jr. High School where she taught 9th and 10th grade students, ^a variety of subjects but her major responsibilities were teaching Earth Science and Biology. Professor Jones ^{also} extended her career at the University of Pittsburgh in Johnstown with 25 years of Service. Her Major responsibilities were teaching, ⁱⁿ ~~lecture~~ and laboratory for General Biology, Anatomy and Physiology.

^{Ms. Claudia has many} Most Memorable Moments ^{with Family, Community + Church}

^{with} ~~Family~~ - At Christmas time every year she would receive a new book to read, because she was not allowed to play with toys or dolls. Her parents were no- nonsense and to this day she still has the original dictionaries ~~received~~ as a gift, even though she thought she was going to receive the newest Barbie doll that year.

^{with} ~~Community~~ - She was always excited about preparing information to Host the Annual Homecoming in East Conemaugh every year.

^{with} ~~Church~~ - She is Member of Mt. Sinai Institutional Baptist Church where she continues to share her love for history, she has played a major role in planning events for Black History Month and she was also the first to begin having the annual Ethnic Dinner to honor our ancestors during the Black History Celebration.

^{She does not have} Favorite Scripture and Favorite Song:

She enjoys the scriptures and enjoys all types of music

^{all}

If asked,

What Advice would you give to young people today?

Get an education, you never know what doors it will open for you.

Claudia is a registered voter and she voted in the last election. She was Proud when President Obama was elected and wished she could have him again.

^{When asked, name}

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

Being invited to the Birthday party when they lived in Franklin. She was not popular and had few friends because she had work to do at home and was not allowed to play. But she was one of the few chosen to attend Freddie Bennett's Birthday party in Franklin Boro, it still makes her laugh today how excited she was to dress up and attend.

^{Ms. Claudia}

Most grateful for:

Her mother ^{who} always wanted to own her own home, so she could invite her friends ^{over} to socialize. When Claudia built her home in Woodvale Heights she was able to bring her mother to her home and her mother was able to invite friends over to socialize. It gives Ms. Claudia great joy to be able to share that moment with her mother before she passed.



Frances Mary Stephens

Frances was born on February 10, 1934 in East Conemaugh, 25 Mellon Court. Her parents were from Camdon, South Carolina. She is the proud mother of twelve, Reginald, Lance, Carl, Donald, Rhonda, Deatrice, Marie, Pamela, Dorothea, Jerry, Stephanie and Randy. Frances never worked she was caretaker for the family house. She enjoys going to Bingo, attending service at the Mt. Sinai

Institutional Baptist Church and her Family.

Most Memorable Moments

Family Reunions every two years,

Birthday Parties monthly for everyone.

Thanksgiving was always a Big Dinner, some of the family favorites include cabbage and noodles and stuffing

Winter games with family were

Triple-Pokino/Texas Hold-em

Favorite Song: AMEN

The one event that has brought her the greatest joy

Visiting her son in Lansing, Virginia, there was always a Big Family Gathering while she was there.

Lots of laughter, lots of fun, lots of LOVE.

Frances feels content in her life and is most grateful that she is still living.

Mary Neese Jackson

Mary Neese was born on August 6, 1934 in Dawson, Georgia, Terrell County. She was married to Earl Jackson, Sr. She is the mother of 6 children, Earl Jackson, Jr., Louise Andrews, Diane Bing, Darnell Veney, Terry Jackson and Sheila Jackson. Mary migrated to the Greater Johnstown area due to the job opportunities for her father. She lived in the East Conemaugh and Hornerstown areas.

She was a house wife, who was very loyal to her family, kids and grand kids. She never worked, never had a job.

Mary attending church at Mt. Sinai Institutional Baptist church and St James Missionary Baptist Church

Most Memorable Moments

Family – She was a good neighbor, always there for someone else in need. She enjoyed cooking some of her favorite dishes are banana pudding and sweet potato pie

Church – Always donated to church and made her favorite dishes for Rev. Surrent.

What Advice would you give to young people today?

Do the right thing and right will follow.

Mary is a registered voter. She voted the last national election. She was pleased when President Obama became President, he did well getting Healthcare for everyone, but she did not agree when he made same sex marriages legal. She would vote for President Obama again. No comment on the current president.

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

Enjoyed her family when they got together, there was much laughter.

Mary is content in her life and is most grateful for her children and family.

Mildred Amelia (Davis) Jackson

Mildred was born May 29, 1933 in Johnstown, PA, divorced and mother of 3 children, Diane, Susan and Michael, 5 Grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Mildred was born on Bedford street, lived in Conemaugh Borough, and currently resides in Hornerstown at 338 Oak Street.

Mildred worked as a Nurse's Aid and a Domestic Engineer. Diane went to Nursing School, Susan's in Customer service. Mildred's Mother worked at Penn Traffic cleaning and in the bakery. Her Dad wore a suit everyday even to work. When Dad got sick we went to buy him long johns and corduroys, but he wouldn't wear them.

Most Memorable Moments

Family – When the bird fell out of the tree.

Dianne wanted to heal it. Susan wanted to buy it.

Community – 1936 and 1977 Flood

When she was 36 she lost her shoe going to her dad's shop in in a trailer located in Westmont.

Church – Member of St. James Missionary Baptist Church, remembers when Rev. Surrent was installed as Pastor.

Favorite Scripture: Psalm 23, Psalm 150

Favorite Song: Grace and Mercy

What Advice would you give to young people today?

You need to go to college

Mildred is a registered voter, she votes in the local elections. She voted in the last election. She was Proud when President Obama was elected and wished she could have him run a third time.

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

Goo Goo, Betty Veney – Carl Veney, Skinny Betty, No Hair Betty

Mildred is content, the kids are grown so she doesn't have to worry about them anymore

Most grateful for:

To Be Alive and In Good Health

Curt Sanders

Curtis was born on February 25, 1932 in Rosedale, Pennsylvania to Lillie Borders Sanders from Clayton, Alabama and John W. Sanders from South Carolina. Curtis migrated to the Prospect area in 1947 and relocated in 2018 to live with his daughter in Denver, Colorado.

His siblings are John I, Earnest, Calvin, Melvin and Marva (deceased) Kenneth, Rose (Reed) and Lillie (Ellis). He married his wife, Sarah (Simmons) on February 25, 1955, they were happily married until her death July 5, 1990. Curtis is the proud father of Curtis, Jr. Claudia, Carol and Sonya. Curtis was a Greater Johnstown High School student that graduated in 1949, as the youngest in his class, he turned 17 in February of his graduating year. He was a very good athlete who taught (on the court) many of the outstanding basketball players of the 50's and early 60s and played softball on many fast pitch teams. Curtis served in the Air Force for 4 years, working in Administration and he is a Retired Men's Club Officer who loves to play in the pool.

Most Memorable Moments

Family – son was born on his wife's birthday and his first grand child was born on their wedding anniversary

Life's Impressive Things – A man on the moon; President Obama and the 1977 Flood

Church – Member of Shiloh Baptist Church and as a youth he was a fireman at church.

What Advice would you give to young people today?

Treat people the way that you want to be treated

**Johnstown Branch NAACP Heritage Leaders Program
(Past Honorees)
2002-2012**

Fannie Andrews	Nehemiah Henry Leftwich
Genevieve Anthony	Carrie E. Lightfoot
Evelyn Banks	James S. Lightfoot
Frances E. Banks	Viola Mae Mayes
Eloise Barnett	Annie Jo McCray
Shirley R. Bennett	Bishop Joseph McGualey, Sr.
Guy J. Brock, Jr.	Robina (Ellis) Meadows
Geraldine Carr	Charles Mickens
Catherine Cashaw	Bobbie Lou (Neal) Miller
George Cashaw	Lula M. Mims
Violet (Simms) Clayton	Constance (McSwain) Moore
Ethel J. Cook	Emma Jane Parker
Mary L. (Holifield) Cox	Dorothy Agnes Perry
Anna M. Davis	Ida C. Pridgen
Ruth Davis	Jacqueline Pridgen
Kenneth Dempsey	Synesta Pruitt
Elizabeth (Johnson) Dorsey	Cicero M. Richardson
Lorene Edwards	Josephine (Pope) Richardson
Leah (Pridgen) Floyd	Mattie Roberts
Irene Glover	Isabel Robinson
Ann Gordon	Ethel Mae (McNair) Sabir
Edith (Speight) Gordon	Maggie (Grant) Segars
Pauline H. L. Gordon	Wilmer J. Segars
Esther Gray	Rachel Simms
Beulah (White) Green	Thomas Simms
Elder Cordy Gunby, Sr.	Charles Simon

**Johnstown Branch NAACP Heritage Leaders Program
(Past Honorees)
2002-2012 (alphabetical order)**

Fronnie Allen Gunby	Viola (Williams) Smith
Elizabeth (Richardson) Hardison	Kathleen (Brown) Stewart
Martha Agnes (Berry) Harris	Alice Dorothy Taylor
Leroy Hemphill, Sr.	Edgar Thomas
Rayford Hemphill	Mary E. Thomas
Jesse (Johnson) Hilton	Gersilee Thompson
Albertine (Carruthers) Hoffman	Mary Elizabeth Troutman
O'Neil (Joy) Holmes	Elizabeth Tullis
Blanche Hopper	John Tullis, Sr.
Ruth Jackson	Annie Bell (Farrior) Twyman
Willie Mayberry Jackson	Albert W. Vaughn
Louise Jefferson	Joe Walls
Melvin Jefferson	Ruth (Walton) Whitehead
Frances M. Johnson	Earl Williams
Norman Jones	Elizabeth Williams
Roy B. Jones	Rose (Gethers) Williams
Sara Joy	Charlene Wilson
Callie B. King	Alvena Wright
	Melda Yates



Eula Morris

Eula was born August 23, 1934 in Ellenboro, North Carolina. She migrated to Johnstown at age 4 with family members. Husband, Samuel Morris and four children, Ronald Donald Samuel, Jr., Marsha Morris Tissinger and Stepson, Christopher Vuckovich. She has 15 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren and 19 great-great grandchildren. She worked for the Flood Redevelopment Authority.

Most Memorable Moments

Family – Being honored as a Phenomenal Woman

Community – When the Shiloh Baptist Church and the New Bethel Baptist joined together. Rev. Pollard was the Pastor.

Church – Member of Christ Centered Community Church

Favorite Scripture: All scripture and loves the Serenity Prayer

Favorite Song: The Little Boy Jesus and Break Every Chain

What Advice would you give to young people today?

Stay with the Lord because the streets have nothing but trouble. Take the time to study the bible and see how good Jesus is

Eula is a registered voter, she votes in the local elections and voted in the last election. She was proud of President Obama because he passed laws to help the poor. He did not do well with Foreign Policy but would vote for President Obama again. No comment on the current president.

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

When my son Donnie came home for a visit and a skunk was walking around his car. He could not get out of the car, so he called me to come out and get the skunk.

Eula is content at this stage in life.

Most grateful for:

That God allowed her to live long enough to see five (5) generations twice with her Dad.

Herb Sitton (*husband, deceased*)

Herbert Sitton was born on July 14, 1932 in Greenville, South Carolina. He graduated from Johnstown High School and he played the trombone. Herb migrated to the Johnstown area with his Aunt and Uncle Roosevelt and Maria Sitton. Herbert was baptized at St. James Missionary Baptist church, many, many, many years ago. He worked as an Electrician for 20 years, worked for Bethlehem Steel for some time and He was very active in the Elks (Flood City Lodge)

Herb was a great father, and had a special relationship with his sons, they were like best friends, especially after he retired.

Norma Sitton

Norma is the mother of four children, Herbert Jr., Valerie, Dwayne and Norman and 33 grands. She migrated to Franklin Boro to attend Franklin School and fell in love in the 11th Grade and married the late, Herbert Sitton, Sr.

Norma is a member at Cambria AME Zion church

Family is important to her and to this day, all Holidays are celebrated at her house, however family provides dinner.

Her favorite scripture: The Lord is My Shepard

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

When Grace and I would get together and argue about their ages.

Norma is content in her life. She is moderately active and has only had one surgery for a pace maker.

The one event that has brought her the greatest joy and she is most Grateful for:

Her Family and her 33 Grands/Great-Grands



Elizabeth Vernice (Williams) Jones

Betty Jones was born on May 21, 1932 in Johnstown, PA Cambria County. She married to Willie Jerimi Jones on June 25, 1955, she thinks *(but she married Willie twice to be on the safe side)*. She is the proud mother of 2 adopted children, Erika and Dana Jones and she raised a step daughter, Larutte. She graduated in 1952 from Franklin, they lived on South Street in the Kernville section of Johnstown. They left for New York in 1961 when her husband was laid off from the Wire Mill. Willie went to New York first to work construction. She followed later and found work at a place that only allowed her to work for

6 weeks. When she was laid off she started watching children in the home. Her mother-in-law became ill while in New York, but they decided to move back to Johnstown because they didn't want to grow old in the city. When they returned to Johnstown, Genevieve Anthony enticed Betty to do hair because she liked people and loved to do hair. When Dana was one year old, she opened her beauty shop and had it for 43 years.

Most Memorable Moments

Family – Her wedding was the first wedding at Mt. Sinai, her reception was at home on Spruce Street. Life in Johnstown was good, there were many family gatherings, their house was known as the party house at one time. She was also excited when she adopted her two children.

Community – She would take Erica downtown and walk down Fifth Ave and stop traffic, she became obsessed with Erica. No one has ever seen Betty with curlers in her hair or in a bath robe. She said Rev. Washington from New York said to his congregation, he told his wife to look good for your husband and then husbands wouldn't go somewhere else.

School – She was a majorette in school and her grades were average. Hardest subject was vocabulary.

Church – When she was courting she didn't go to church, but she always got dressed to go out later. Her mother told her because she didn't attend church, she couldn't go out. That really hurt her. After that she was at church every Sunday and has been a faithful member of Mt. Sinai Institutional Baptist Church ever since.

Elizabeth Vernice (Williams) Jones

Favorite Secular Song:

She likes all the songs

What Advice would you give to young people today?

Make sure you have God in your life. If you have God in your life He will see you through. Without God you can do nothing.

Ms. Betty is a registered voter. She was pleased with President Obama became President, he made her proud. No comment on the current President.

Ms. Betty is content in her life, she reached contentment in any situation.

Most grateful for:

She is grateful for so much, health is good, children and grandchildren



Maxine Massey

Maxine was born August 31, 1934 in Dawson, GA. She was married to Booker T. Massey, deceased at age 69. They are the parents of one child, Joanna Pate and 2 grandchildren. She migrated to Johnstown in the summertime in the Late 40's due to segregation in the South., at that time, going to school meant picking cotton. She grew up in the row house in Conemaugh and has fond memories of going outside to play with the other children. Her work history includes

Babysitting during the summer and a Teacher's Aide with special needs children. She retired in the late 1950's. She currently, enjoys going out weekly to meet at the bowling alley, for parties and special events.

Most Memorable Moments

Family – Birth of her first grandchild – Age 21 now, Timothy Pate

Community – Family outing once a year in Conemaugh and extended/other family includes her in all they do.

Church – She is a Member of Duke Memorial now St. James Missionary Baptist church since 1955. At one time she was a Sunday School Teach which she found very fulfilling.

Favorite Scripture: Psalm 23

Favorite Song: Past Me Not

What Advice would you give to young people today?

Follow your dreams. You can do it. Try and give it a shot, You can Do It.

Maxine is a registered voter, she votes in the local elections and voted in the last election. She was so happy when President Obama was elected. He did well during his tenure to create Obama Care. He did not do well with creating more jobs for minorities, she would vote for President Obama again. No comment on the current president.

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

Prayer and Bowling

Maxine is content in her life and is most grateful for her Daughter.

Rose Reed

Rose was born on March 3, 1930 in Johnstown, PA, Cambria County. She married twice, first to Joseph Samels, Sr and currently to Walter Reed. She is the mother of six, Joseph from Atlanta, Robert from D.C., Teresa, Maureen, Michael and Debra, 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Her work history includes being an Elevator Operator and Cashier in the shoe department of Glosser Brothers. She also played piano at Shiloh and Jefferson Memorial. She graduated in 1948 and meets monthly in Johnstown to have lunch and socialize.

Most Memorable Moments

Family – Traveling around the world internationally, South Africa, Europe, Brazil and many states. Her favorite memory was in 2016 in Israel a minister from Kansas helped her to the river and she was baptized in the Jordan River. They all broke out singing her favorite song, by Victoria Falls, "how Great Thou Art" – not knowing that was her favorite song.

Community – Played piano at all memorial services, and for Senior Senators from the Community and worked the voting poles. She served on Board at Senior Activity Center. Rose played the piano for 40 years, she starting taking lessons in grade school, she could read music and play spontaneously then she played for enjoyment.

Church – She attended service at Shiloh Baptist Church and Jefferson Memorial.

Favorite Scripture: 23rd Psalm

Favorite Song: How Great Thou Art

What Advice would you give to young people today?

Follow the 23rd Psalm and obey your parents.

Rose is a registered voter, she did not vote in the local election but she did vote in the last election. When President Obama was elected, she absolutely never thought she would see that in her lifetime. In her opinion, he did well during his tenure to preserve Medicare and the Affordable Care Act. She would vote for him again, no comment on the current president.

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

Steve Harvey on Family Feud

Rose is content in her life and is most grateful for Long Life, fruitful life, enjoying people and places along the way. She always had God in the center of her Life.



Bernice Calhoun

Bernice (Jenkins) Calhoun was Born on August 25, 1934 in Columbia, SC, the daughter of Florence and John Jenkins. Formerly married to Ben Calhoun of Florida, but they've been separated for 10-15 years. She currently resides at 747 Somerset St. and is the proud mother of 7 children, Terrance and Gregory in Florida, Tracy (married to Bruce Chase) of Texas, twins, David and Dawn of Johnstown and 2 deceased children, Derek and Troy. Bernice lived in Woodvale of Brooklyn NY for a short time, also lived in Florida and the Kernville area of Johnstown. Her Mom and Dad migrated to Johnstown when she was 3 years old for job related reasons. Sister Iris (15 years older) married James Davis from Franklin. She is a member of St. James Missionary Baptist Church. Her work history includes being a Foster Grandparent for fifteen years. Twenty years of waiting on others at Chi Chi's, Red Lobster, and Eat & Park. She was an Elevator Operator at Glosser's for five (5) years and worked at Fort Stanwix Hotel on weekends and after school.

Most Memorable Moments

Family – We act like you're in the military – no nonsense – as long as I'm working and you're in my house – you do as I say

Community – Worked but my friends decreased or moved to Pittsburgh

Church – Always helped in church when needed.

Favorite Scripture: Psalm 23

What Advice would you give to young people today?

Stay in school. Watch who you associate with. Do the best you can and look forward to having a good life, as long as you do what's right.

Bernice is a registered voter, she was pleased when President Obama was elected as the first Black President. She would absolutely vote for him again and was proud he had no scandals during his tenure. No comment on the current President.

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

When daughter, Tracy, tells her about her 3 year old granddaughter who talks very intelligent for her age. McKinley's parents own a daycare, she talks with babies and it gives her great joy.

Bernice would feel more content, if she felt better, but if she gets depressed, she will pick up a book and start reading.

Most grateful for:

My health is starting to go down, but she's thankful she can get on her knees at night and pray and wake up each morning.



Edith Bush

Edith M. Bush, born on April 11, 1934 was married to Donald Roebuck. She is the proud mother of ten (10) children, Edith Darlene, Rita Collins, Joseph, Bush, Kevin Bush, Yvonne Bush, Howard Bush, James Bush and Veronica Tullis. Ms. Eddie also has 21 Grandchildren, 24 Great-Grandchildren, and 11 Great-Great Grandchildren. She is a member of St.

James Missionary Baptist Church formerly known as Duke Memorial. She was a Caregiver to the Blind and Elderly for the Community Action.

Most Memorable Moments

Her Son Bobby's Birthday

Old Conemaugh Borough Reunion

President of Registered Nurse Union at Church

Favorite Scripture: Philippians 4:13

Favorite Secular Song: Music by Sam Cook and Nat King Cole

What Advice would you give to young people today?

It's nice to have companionship and be around people

Ms. Eddie is a registered voter, although she does not vote in the local elections. She was pleased with President Obama, overall, he did good and was very encouraging. No comment on the current president.

Something that made you laugh uncontrollably

Great-great grands dancing

Edith is content and happy in life.

Most grateful for:

My family and all the people I have known.

2019 85 Plus Honorees

Edith Bush

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Betty Jones

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Mary Louise Jackson

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Eula Morris

Maxine Massey

Rose Reed

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Herb Sitton (deceased)

Norma Sitton

Rev. Andrew Tilley

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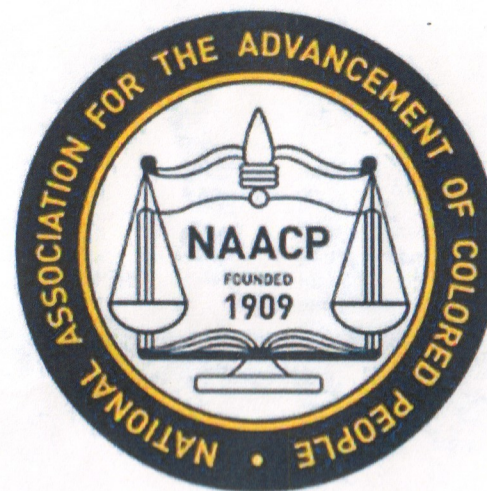
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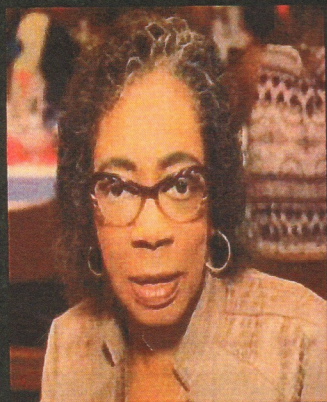
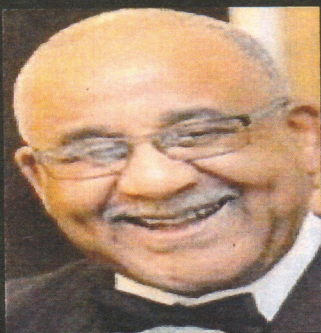
Pamelia Nash



The members of WIN (Women In NAACP) sincerely appreciate you supporting the 2019 African American 85+ Heritage Banquet. It has been our honor and pleasure to host this event and recognize all the honorees that met this milestone in this lifetime. Your presence has truly been a wonderful blessing and greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Alan Cashaw, Bruce Haselrig, Claudia Jones, Jackie Gunby, the Wings of Faith, Kimberly Fantauzzo, and all others who helped to make this program a success.

Original Founders of the 85 Plus Heritage Celebration

You have all done so much and accomplished so many things to encourage the community and the people of Johnstown. We honor you on this day for your persistence and determination to uphold the History of our people in this City. May the path you've set be an example to others to press on to encourage and uplift each other.



May the Works I've Done, Speak for Me