



## Rev. Dr. Martha Edge Jones

February 15, 1930 - April 22, 2019

Her Motto: If I can help somebody as I pass along, then my living shall not be in vain.

Martha Jane Edge was born on February 15, 1930 in Rocky Mount, North Carolina in Edgecombe County to Robert and Mattie Edge. She was the youngest of nine children.

At the early of age three, she began speaking at the Hickview and Mt. Olive Baptist Churches, Edgecombe, North Carolina. At twelve she became a member of St. John's Baptist Church. One of her most memorable childhood events was when she and her mother accepted Christ and were baptized riverside together on that glorious Sunday. She was mentored as a teenager in the church and made those lessons learned her stepping stones in life.

In 1993, Martha was called by God to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. She gave her initial sermon "Jesus Cares For You" in June 1994 and was ordained in February 1998. It was her desire to stay ever so humble while working faithfully for the Lord.

Reverend Dr. Martha Edge Jones served as an Associate Minister and Director of the Visitation Ministry, Director of the Women's' Ministry and noon day Bible study teacher at the St. Mary's Baptist Church in Washington, DC.

She served under the tutelage of Reverend Dr. Darryle R. Crump.

After working in private industry for many years, Martha happily retired from IBM in 1987 and began her studies at the Strayer College of Washington, DC. She continued on to receive her Bachelor of Arts from the Washington Saturday College with additional studies at the Wesley Theology Seminary. Reverend Jones received an Honorary Doctorate Degree from Mutual Baptist Society Inc. Always on the battlefield for the Lord, Martha also produced two radio broadcasting programs “Martha’s Minutes” an inspirational radio talk program; WBGR/860AM of Baltimore Maryland and WYCB/1340 AM of Washington DC. Through these programs she also brought her inspirational word to the Worldwide Web. In her golden years, she also founded Martha’s Ministry, LLC and published an autobiography entitled “Make Obstacles Your Stepping Stones”.

Martha was married to her beloved Sam Jones for 63 years. They met at their home church, St. John’s Baptist Church in Red Oak, North Carolina. She first met Sam when she was six or seven years old. They became friends and remained friends forever. Married to a career military service man, she traveled extensively throughout the United States of America and Europe.

Martha leaves to cherish her wonderful memory, three sons, Anthony Jones, Samuel (Jean) Jones, Zachery (Diane) Jones, Esq.; three daughters, Sandra Jones Johnson, Reva (Maynard) Gambrell, Dr. Shavon (Myles) Coulter; eight grandchildren: Valarie (William) Dunn, Alfred Johnson II, Corey Jones, Samantha Jones, Kiev Gambrell, Anthony Jones Jr., Mykel Coulter, and Kyndal Coulter; two great grandchildren: Taylor Jacobs and Tamir Jacobs. Martha was predeceased by her husband, Sam Jones, her son-in-law Maynard Gambrell, and eight siblings: Perry, Robert, Joe, James, Arthur, Mattie, Nellie and Barsie.

As quoted from her book "I am a Soldier in the Army of the Lord. I go to Him for all my Help and I Love the Lord, I Love my Family, and .... "I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth. Psalm 34:1".

Martha slept peacefully away from this Earth into her Savior's arms. She will be missed dearly by all who knew and loved her. She will forever have a place in our hearts.

Rest in Heaven thy Good and Faithful Servant.

# Cemetery Details

## Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 3. 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Baptist Church  
8008 Eastern Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20012

## Service

MAY 3. 10:30 AM (ET)

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8008 Eastern Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20012

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Dr. Martha Edge Jones*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *Shavon, our prayers go out for you and your family at this time. We were so sorry to hear of your loss. May God bless you with peace and wonderful memories of your Mother.*

*Lovingly,  
Janice, Terry and Rainah Fleming*

Janice Fleming - May 03, 2019 at 07:37 AM



“ *Deborah S Malone purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rev. Dr. Martha Edge Jones.*



Deborah S Malone - May 02, 2019 at 03:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Martha Edge Jones.*



May 01, 2019 at 10:30 PM

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“ Dear Jones Family,

*Kendrick, Kaleb and I send our deepest sympathies to you in the loss of your dear mother. Martha Edge was one of a kind. I know you all understand what a wonderful mother and human being she was. We encourage you to take heart and remember that she lived her life for such a time as this. She was fully walking with the Lord and demonstrated that each day with her words and her walk. I am grateful for the wisdom she deposited in my life. I will never forget bringing Kendrick to her to get her blessing in the absence of my own mother who had departed. I will also remember the way she would plead with dad, "Sam, stop!" when he was playing too much during our New Year's Eve watches for the big ball to drop. She was a beautiful person inside and out. God rest her soul. We love you all and will continue to pray for you!*

*'Til we meet again dear friend,*

*Jackie, Kendrick, and Kaleb Anderson*

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**Jacqueline Anderson** - April 30, 2019 at 10:02 PM

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“ Your friends at the NCCC purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Rev. Dr. Martha Edge Jones.



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**Your friends at the NCCC** - April 30, 2019 at 04:33 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Martha Edge Jones.*



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April 30, 2019 at 02:56 PM



“ *My beautiful Aunt Martha  
I'll never forget her love - growing up she made me feel like one of her own. The sweet smell of Almond Jurgons lotion in the air always reminds me of Easter break, a beautiful dress she got me, millions of jelly beans and spending a week with my cousins !  
May God continue to bless and comfort everyone  
Love you all  
Stella*

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**stella lewis murray** - April 30, 2019 at 07:28 AM



“ *Lovingly, Gay and Joh purchased the Ringed by Love for the family of Rev. Dr. Martha Edge Jones.*



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**Lovingly, Gay and Joh** - April 29, 2019 at 02:43 PM

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“ *Mother Jones is what she is to me! Our family became their family and they became ours. Time and distance has put miles and years between us but love always remained in my heart. I'll see you again someday.*



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**Patricia Arbuckle-Gilmore** - April 29, 2019 at 10:35 AM



“ *We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

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**Marshall-March Funeral Homes** - April 24, 2019 at 01:30 PM