



## Mrs. Josephine Short McKinnie

February 28, 1945 - December 5, 2015

Josephine Denise Short McKinnie was born on February 28, 1945 in Como, Mississippi, to the late Maude and Bessie Mae Short.

She was reared with her beloved parents in Jackson, Tennessee, where she received her public education. She accepted Christ at an early age at the Macedonia Baptist Church.

She graduated from Merry High School and later went on to attend Lane College. It was during her Lane matriculation that she met her college and lifetime sweetheart Lafayette McKinnie, Sr. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in May of 1968.

Soon after graduating she became an Elementary School Educator and started her teaching career in Caruthersville, Mo.

Lafayette and Josephine were united in holy matrimony on February 2, 1968 and to this union four children were born.

She and Lafayette returned back to Jackson, Tennessee and continued her teaching career.

She was very well liked and well respected teacher. She taught and impacted the lives of hundreds of students over the years at various schools.

She was a faithful member at the Macedonia Baptist Church, where she served as an Sunday School teacher, Vacation Bible School teacher and Co-Director of the Church Day Care for a number of years. The children loved being in her classes, she was determined to help every child learn about and love Jesus. She also served as a faithful member of the Nannie Burroughs Circle.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 47 years, Lafayette McKinnie Sr., two sisters: Annie Ruth Owens and Alma Faye Hicks.

She leaves to cherish her beautiful memory four children: Denise McKinnie of Nashville, Tennessee, Candace (Weylin) Brown of Antioch, Tennessee, Lafayette McKinnie, Jr., of Jackson, Tennessee and DeAngela McKinnie of Nashville, Tennessee; two wonderful grandchildren: Christian McKinnie of Jackson, Tennessee and Keaira Brown of Antioch, Tennessee, they affectionately called her "Big Mommy"; one brother in law: Oscar (Myra) McKinnie of Nashville, Tennessee; two close cousins: Dorothy (William) Randolph and Jerome (Annie Ruth) Jones.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery

321 E. Forest Ave  
Jackson, TN 38301

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 18. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stephenson-Shaw Funeral Home, Inc.  
807 N. Hays Avenue  
Jackson, TN 38301  
(731) 427-7411  
info@stephenson-shaw.com  
<https://www.stephenson-shaw.com>

## Service

DEC 19. 12:00 PM (CT)

Macedonia Baptist Church  
106 Glass St.  
Jackson, TN 38301

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Josephine Short McKinnie*

January 28, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ *I recently heard about the passing of your dear and sweet mother. I believe she was also your father's soul mate and they are R.I.P. together. My prayers are with you McKinnie family, asking God to give you strength, understanding of His will, peace, and comfort that only God can give you at this time. Your parents always treated me so nice as one of your father's employee. Things will never be the same, but I know God will make a way for you all.*



*Bettina Webb*

**Bettina Webb** - December 28, 2015 at 03:31 PM



“ *Lavender Dreams was purchased for the family of Mrs. Josephine Short McKinnie .*



December 16, 2015 at 03:26 PM

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“ Quintin L Cole of behalf of Integrity Rehab Group. purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mrs. Josephine Short McKinnie .



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**Quintin L Cole of behalf of Integrity Rehab Group. -**  
December 15, 2015 at 04:12 PM

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“ My thought and prayers are with the Mckinnie family doing this time. May it be a comfort to the family to the family to know that someone else shares with you in you lost.



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**Velma Holt -** December 08, 2015 at 09:25 AM