



Janette Davis

January 2, 1947 - September 2, 2020

On January 2, 1947, from the beautiful star-studded island of Jamaica, grazing the windy rocky roads of Grants Town District located in the parish of St. Mary, a tiny voice bellowed its first cry that signaled the birth of queen Janette Barriffe Davis, affectionately known as “Jenny”. She was the fifth of nine children born to Wesley and Mildred Barriffe.

Janette grew up in Grants Town District, Saint Mary, Jamaica where she attended Port Maria Primary School. At 11 years old, she accepted Christ and was confirmed at Port Maria Methodist Church. There, she was a member of the Methodist Girl’s League where she learned to crochet, knit and make patch work quilts. Janette also helped her mother, who was a seamstress, make school uniforms and baby clothes, along with any other type of clothing people needed.

At age 19, Janette left home for a job at Chamber of Commerce in Ocho Rios, Saint Ann. While living and working in Ocho Rios she met Almond Davis; they were joined in holy matrimony in April 1967.

Janette’s second Job was at Staniger where she continued working for many years until 1976 when she migrated to the US where she lived in New York for a short while. From there she went to Louisiana to join Almond, residing in Lafayette and Hammond before moving to Houston, Texas.

Janette loved cooking and gardening. She was a devoted Christian and a member of Disciples United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas where she was very involved. She was a mother to every child she encountered and even the mothers of those children would reap her kind rewards in whatever way she could. Janette lived up to the phrase, “it takes a village to grow a child”, as she was a village mother. She would go in the community on Saturdays to invite children to church. On Sunday mornings, she would leave home early picking up and taking the children to church. She was a very strict disciplinarian.

Janette took nursing courses in school. After working in a nursing home and Houston Methodist Hospital, she decided to work as a private duty nursing assistant which she did for over 27 years with the same family until her retirement. Janette was a dedicated worker and took her job very seriously.

After retirement, Janette worked part-time for a short time before she became ill and could no longer work and was home bound.

Janette was a giving and kindhearted person. She cared about her family and friends and could be described as the “queen” of her family. Her favorite time of the year was Thanksgiving when she would prepare her specialty dressing, pecan pie, roasted and smoked turkey that everyone craved.

Janette’s journey came to an end on Wednesday, September 2, 2020. She was preceded in death by her parent’s Wesley and Mildred Barriffe; a niece, seven aunts, and 2 uncles.

Janette leaves to cherish her precious memory, husband, Almond Davis; son, Seprian (Paula) Davis, Sugarland TX; adopted son, Richard (Tanya) Lawrence; two grandchildren, Chrysantha and Cyrano Davis, both of Sugarland TX; two brothers, Harry (Jennifer) Barriffe, Staten Island, NY; Donald “Boysie” Barriffe, Melbourne FL; six sisters, Vedol “Veda” Fraser, Toronto Canada; Effie (Ollie) Stepp, Hudsonville MI; Lucille Barriffe, Missouri City, TX; Annette (Courtney, Snr) Fraser, Humble TX; Verona “Rhona” Barriffe, Saint Mary, Jamaica; Claudette “Sunshine” Barriffe, Saint Catherine, Jamaica; a special Caregiver, Yvonne Edwards; special friends, Michael and Thelma London, and a host of relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to the youth scholarship fund at Disciples United Methodist Church in her honor. website address is www.disciplesumchou.org

May her soul rest in eternal peace.

For those not able to attend the service, you can join us online by clicking the link:
<http://webcast.funeralvue.com/events/viewer/37126>

Cemetery

Forest Park Lawndale

6900 Lawndale

Houston, TX,

Events

SEP **Visitation** 10:30AM - 11:00AM

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South Park Funeral Home

1310 North Main Street, Pearland, TX, US, 77581

SEP **Funeral Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Comments



“ I was blessed to have met you. As well your family who loves you so much. As I watched your service I could feel the love as well as the loss. You couldn't speak but when I would take your hand and you would squeeze so tight I felt your love. I miss the weekends with you. I am glad you are at peace. Blessings to your friends and family. Thanks for touching my life. Sandra

Sandra Miller - September 26, 2020 at 01:28 PM



“ An Angel went to rest in the arms of Jesus. Janette, you are gone but not forgotten. Your smile and warmth will live forever in our hearts. May your soul Rest In Him Uncle Almond, may God's Grace and Peace, rests, remains and abides with you and the rest of the family, to give you all comfort

Marion Ferguson - September 26, 2020 at 10:58 AM



“ Dear Uncle Almond and Seprian,
My heart goes out to you. This must have been a very sad for both of you. We are so sorry we could not be there to give you the kind of hugs that would normally be given in these circumstances. Please accept our love and deep sympathy at this time. Miss Jenny was a wonderful, decent lady who carried herself with such grace and dignity. We know that your days will be filled with a void that cannot be filled by any other human being; but I give you the JESUS of comfort who can fill the deepest void. Rest assured that Aunt Jenny sleeps now, but there will come that day, if we are faithful, we will join her in that great glorious day of His appearing. Let us be faithful.

Joan Davis-Scavella - September 27, 2020 at 12:48 AM



“ The relationship I had with my grandmother is something that I will always cherish deeply. From the time I was in elementary schools to her final days, I was fortunate to have someone like her in my corner. While I can't pinpoint my best memory I had with her, I will never forget her nurturing persona. She taught me the importance in serving others out of the goodness of your heart. Whether it was a stranger on the street, or caring for our Hercules, she treated all people with the same compassion as if she was caring for her own family.

Cyrano - September 26, 2020 at 09:50 AM



“ I can't begin to tell our stories about us.there is just too many My question sis when you get to see mama will you still tell her I'm still playing at the Park.our last days together was very painful for all of us but now you're at peace.Sleep well my sister in the Midst of it all.

LucilleBarriffe - September 26, 2020 at 09:23 AM



“ Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Janette Davis.



September 25, 2020 at 09:20 PM



“ Janet was a faithful client at the beauty shop for over 20 years she would remember my birthday my children's birthday she always shared with Christmas gifts her food she made the best spinach she always came bearing gifts for all occasions even on the early days of her illness she was always thoughtful she was one-of-a-kind I will never forget her and I will remember all the memoriesI am glad she's at peace all of the ladies at the beauty shop send their condolences we love you Janet always and forever

Valerie smith - September 25, 2020 at 11:52 AM



“ Mrs Janette I will always remember enjoying our Saturday soup day !! We would meet at the same time and enjoy our soup !! You will be missed !! I always enjoyed your company Ms. Janette !! Condolences to the Family !! Sleep well

Lady D - September 25, 2020 at 10:44 PM



“ We love and appreciate you, Mrs. Davis. You have impacted generations to come.

Jared Peters - September 26, 2020 at 01:31 PM



“ Valerie Smith lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Valerie smith - September 25, 2020 at 11:48 AM



“ My aunt, Janette Davis, the meanest of the eight (8) girls. Well at least that's what's we thought growing up. The memories I have are countless and I couldn't just choose one, but if I had to choose one, it would be the memories of her remembering my son (the newest/latest addition to the family) while she fought Alzheimer's.

Jason Simms - September 25, 2020 at 11:14 AM



“ Jeanette Davis, you've given me so much, Love from your heart and warmth of your touch.
Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure, you are loved beyond words and missed beyond measures.

Richard Lawrence - September 24, 2020 at 10:38 PM



“ My grandmother was someone whom I cared for dearly. From a young age, she was a key person in my life, and I will forever cherish the time we spent together. Many of my traits now, I learned from her as a child. One of my favorite memories with her will always be Thanksgiving. As a child, I would spend every Thanksgiving eve at my grandparents' house prepping for the big day ahead. From watching the Macy's Day parade to prepping the pies and playing with Nina. The holiday will forever hold a special place in my heart. I'm so blessed to have known someone as compassionate and forgiving as her. She taught me to live boldly and stay focused on the goals I want to achieve. As I continue to grow I hope I can still make her proud. You may not be here with us physically, but I know your presence will always be around. Rest in power, Queen. We miss you.

Chrysantha

chrysantha davis - September 24, 2020 at 09:43 PM



“ Auntie Janette took care of us growing up. She was my godmother and the matriarch of our community. Her good works in life have been a blessing to many, and we will remember her always.

Stephen Davis - September 24, 2020 at 09:41 PM



“ Janette you were one in a million. I remember my mom made your wedding dress and bridesmaid dresses, was a smashing wedding. May you rest in peace.

Heather Smith - September 25, 2020 at 10:41 AM



“ Jackie Davis lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Jackie Davis - September 24, 2020 at 11:12 AM



“ Janette, you were an angel on earth. You gave of yourself so freely. I will forever cherish your memory, and how you made my life easier, just by being you. When I think of you, which is often, the word virtuous always comes to mind. You were blessed with many spiritual gifts, and I am thankful that while you lived, we were able to call each other, friends.

Rest in peace and rise in glory.

Jackie Davis - September 24, 2020 at 11:25 AM



“ Lorna Brown lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Lorna Brown - September 23, 2020 at 04:11 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Janette Davis.



September 23, 2020 at 02:41 PM



“ Gloria Campbell lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Gloria Campbell - September 23, 2020 at 01:40 PM



“ Auntie Jenny was my godmother and my second mother. For over 20 years she and her husband raised, fed, disciplined, and included my brother Stephen and I in their family. While my mother, Jackie, worked nights at the Methodist Hospital to support my brother and I, we would stay with Jenny who would get us ready for school and made us lunch for the day. She went above and beyond to raise us and to keep us in line. She was a strict disciplinarian who made sure we knew the consequences of our actions but also so full of love and joy. At every large gathering, she was always in the kitchen making sure everyone was fed and no one went home without leftovers. I remember one year that I helped her make thanksgiving dinner, I dropped a bottle of dry jerk seasoning and the pepper went everywhere. Auntie and I were sneezing for what seemed like hours as we cleaned up the spice and had to open all the windows in the house. We had a great laugh out of it and still made an amazing thanksgiving day meal. I am so thankful that I had her in my life and while I might not be part of her family, having a last name of Davis made me feel like I was. She never treated me any differently than her own. Rest in Peace Auntie Jenny.

Love always,
Jordan Michael Melbourne Davis

Jordan Michael Melbourne Davis - September 21, 2020 at 08:02 PM



“ Aunty Jenny, the Angels beckon, upward you fly singing, nearer my God to thee. Though your days were weary. still, your song remain to be "nearer, my God thee".

Andre Scott - September 21, 2020 at 07:11 PM



“ Dwight McKenzie lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Dwight McKenzie - September 21, 2020 at 01:44 PM



“ The time it takes to heal from a great loss is different from each of us. God knows our hearts and always walks with us at the perfect pace of His comforting grace. I am so thankful for the many years I had with my beautiful godmother, Mrs. Janette Davis... She was such a loving, strong, phenomenal woman and helped to mold me into the woman I am today. When someone you love becomes a memory, their memory becomes treasure. My condolences to the entire family. Stay blessed and let us continue to cherish the beautiful memories of this wonderful woman.

Jillian Raffington - September 20, 2020 at 09:45 PM



“ Condolences to the family and our prayers goes out to you all from the Longmore family

Gail longmire chung - September 21, 2020 at 12:41 AM



“ Gone but not forgotten RIP My condolences to the family. From Paulette(Precious)Bedasse (cousin)

Paulette Bedasse - September 21, 2020 at 04:21 PM



“ Jillian Raffington lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Jillian Raffington - September 20, 2020 at 09:38 PM



“ In memory of a servant of God. Jeanette you served and fought a good fight. Now take your rest in God's heavenly kingdom. You will always be remembered.
Love Dr. Janice Gilbert

Dr. Janice Gilbert - September 20, 2020 at 07:27 PM



“ Connie lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Connie - September 20, 2020 at 07:23 PM



“ Tishana Raffington lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Tishana Raffington - September 20, 2020 at 04:53 PM



“ I will forever cherish fond memories of Mrs Janette Davis. Growing up, her house was one of the few houses I was allowed to stay overnight. She taught me so much from cooking skills, baking and icing cakes, and how to Black Friday shop. Everyone knows she was a great shopper because she always bought the best gifts. My mom, sister and I always looked forward to decorating her Christmas tree holiday time. Mrs Davis was truly a masterpiece of a woman, grandmother, mother, sister, aunt and a friend. She will be sincerely missed. I pray that the good Lord grants the family peace in knowing that she is in a better place. We love you Mrs Davis you will be truly missed...

Tishana Raffington - September 20, 2020 at 04:51 PM



“ To the Davis family Just want you to know that my deepest sympathy goes out to the entire family during this difficult time. May here soul RIH. One love!!!! Michelle Green

Michelle Green - September 20, 2020 at 08:24 PM



“ A quiet storm with an insatiable love for GOD and people you also shared as i dug into your delicious flavor of your beef soup & your baked chicken ::you are the reason for Gee-Wiz Entertainment::Waak Good Ms Jeannette until we meet again rest in eternal peace

Gloria Campbell - September 23, 2020 at 01:26 PM



“ Almond, our deepest condolences to you and your family during this sad time. May every good memory with Janette give you constant comfort. Love is eternal. The Angus Family.

Jane Angus - September 20, 2020 at 10:09 AM



“ Your arms were always open when I needed a hug, Your heart understood when I needed a friend, Your gentle eyes were stern when I needed a lesson, Your strength and love guide me and gave me the wings to help me soar....Thank You

Richard - September 19, 2020 at 01:43 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Janette Davis.



September 18, 2020 at 08:15 PM



“ Artencia "Sista" Raffington lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Artencia "Sista" Raffington - September 18, 2020 at 06:12 PM



“ The passing of time can never dim the love of a true friend.
We knew Janette as a devoted Christian woman whose selflessness, generosity & warmth were unrivalled. She had a zest for life and was a sweet, happy, fun-loving and friendly person who had a positive impact on all who knew her.
The emptiness we feel are the fond memories of a friend so dear, who has left the face of this earth to see the face of God.
Janette, heaven has gained another angel, you have left us your rich legacy, your accomplishments and good memories and even though we loved you, the Lord loves you more. Sleep in Eternal Peace beautiful lady, God has you in his keeping and we have you in our hearts.
Heartfelt condolences dear Almond, Seprian, Paula, Chrysantha & Cyrano, sisters Effie, Lucille, Veda, Sunshine, Rhona & Anette & the immediate family, you are surrounded by the love of God. We wish you peace to bring you comfort and courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold. Keeping you all in our prayers.

Artencia "Sista" Raffington - September 18, 2020 at 06:12 PM



“ My sincere condolences to you and family, stay safe

Bryan C Henry - September 18, 2020 at 08:26 PM



“ Harry Jennifer N Family lit a candle in memory of Janette Davis



Harry Jennifer n family - September 18, 2020 at 11:27 AM



“ Sadly missed by Harry your brother and Jennifer rest in peace and our condolence and sympathy goes out to the rest of the family

Jennifer barriffe n Harry barriffe - September 17, 2020 at 08:22 PM