



JUANITA F. SANDS

May 16, 1950 - January 11, 2015

Juanita F. Sands, 64, passed away Sunday, January 11, 2015 surrounded by her family.

She was a member of St. Stephen Baptist Church, the Workforce Development Director for the Louisville Urban League, member of the NAACP Louisville Chapter, and Dress for Success.

Juanita is survived by her husband, Emmett "Gene" Sands; children, Emmett Sands, Jr., John Sands, and Stacey Williams (Marlowe); siblings, Johnetta Frierson Hayes (Henry) and June Frierson Demus (Galen); 6 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild; and a host of extended family and friends.

The family will receive visitors, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Thursday, January 15, 2015 at her church, 1018 S. 15th St.. Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m., Friday, January 16, 2015 at the church with burial in Louisville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in Juanita's memory to the NAACP – Louisville Chapter or Dress for Success – Louisville.

A. D. Porter & Sons, 1300 W. Chestnut St. entrusted with arrangements.

Tribute Wall

MB

“ I really miss her. She was really trying to get me back into the workforce. If she were still with I know I would have a Job.My Very Deepest Sympathy

Martha Bryant - April 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

OM

“ She is a beautiful Woman. She will always Live in the Light. God Bless her Family.

Olive Marshall - March 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ My Beloved Sissie, "Some Sweet Day We Will Be Together Again".

June Frierson Demus - January 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To the Sands/ Frierson Families:God is our merciful father and the sourceof all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so we can comfort others.May you remember the good days Juanita shared with others. From Norma J. Lewis-Preston.Smoketown

A friendJan - January 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ June I am deeply sorry for the lost of your sister Juanita. I worked with her through Urban League Mature workers program. She always such a professional, kind and extremely helpful. You and the rest of her family are in my pprayers. May God be your comfort during this time.

Sheree Briscoe - January 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ My heart goes out to you all at this difficult time. Ms. Juanita and I had reconnected in the last few years as she would often see me at work. She always had a smile and kind words for me. Nothing can make this time any easier for you but please know that you are loved and many are praying for you, including me.

Stephanie Mayfield - January 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ I am so sorry to hear of Juanita's passing. I will keep her loved ones in prayer.

Keith & LaTauya Fisher

LaTauya Fisher - January 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Mrs . Sands, I am so thankful to the Lord, for you, In my life as your client, you never gave up on me, For this I say, Thank You. To the Sands/ Fierson Family My prayers and sympathy to you and your family God Bless You

Portia Middleton - January 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ My prayers and thoughts are with you. Stephanie Mack (St Stephen)

Stephanie Mack - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Gene and family: We are so very sorry to hear that our neighbor Juanita passed away. She was a good friend. Your family are wonderful neighbors and she will be truly missed. George, Glenda & Brian Wallace

A friendJan - January 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Mighty women of God you will be truly missed, praying for the family, May god bless and keep the family in this time.(Michelle McGee)

Dawn Frye - January 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To the Sands Family,A true woman of faith is gone on to glory. She will be forever missed.From Beatrice Symonette and Family

A friendJan - January 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ZA

“ Lord please give the family strength and peace to handle their loss.

zelda Anderson - January 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ It's with deepest sympathy to the Family of Juanita that I pray that's she is in a better place with our heavenly father.

Gwen Smith - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ I was so sad to hear of Juanita's passing. I worked with Juanita at Capital Holding. She had the most beautiful smile and had a keen sense of class and style. You couldn't help but smile when you were around Juanita.

Debbie Briggs - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Juanita, I will miss you more than words can express. You have been my example of pure elegance and grace. Thank you for being my friend. I will miss you deeply. LOVE YOU. To the family, thanks for sharing her. GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!!

Carol - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

YG

“ God bless the life and legacy of Juanita Sands. Her life really made a difference in this world.

Yolanda and Alphaeus Green - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

YP

“ To the Family: Those we love don't go away,they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near, so loved, so missed, so very dear. Love to all!

Yolanda and Mosezell Peterson - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VJ

“ I was in total shock when I learned of Juanita's passing. My heart is breaking for her family and the many in the community that she loved and served! We will miss you Juanita!

Vetta Johnson - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PY

“ It's hard to believe that such a small lady made such a large presence in this world. Juanita was and will always be the lady. She bowed out when God called her home and she did it with grace and dignity. Sorry for your loss.

Pat Yense - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ I had the pleasure of working with Juanita as a part of a Workforce Advisory Council she initiated at the Urban League. Juanita was always a delight to work with and she truly had a passion around her work and helping others. She did everything with such class and professionalism. She was a very valuable member of the Louisville community and she will be missed. I was very sad to learn of her passing, but glad to know that she is now resting in the arms of Master.

Rhonda Jackson - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JY

“ I want to extend my deepest sympathies to the Sands and Frierson families in your time of grief. I know she is now with the angels and her Lord and Savior. Rest in peace.

Janis Young - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ John and family, me Nickalas and Victoria are so sorry for your loss and are praying for your healing in this time of sorrow. I know, John, your faith will help you through, but remember God gives us all the love of family and friends to help with and give strength to the heart, mind and soul during these times. Anytime you need to talk again, my dear friend, please know that I am always available to listen. Love and hugs to you and your family!!

Sandra Taylor - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ To Gene, Emmet, John, Stacey, Johnetta, June and all the members of the Sands Family: Words cannot express the sorrow that I share with you in the loss of Juanita. She was such a dynamic personality who had an impact on the lives of many, and she was always such a positive influence in my life when I needed her. I remember some fun times that we shared at BINGO back in the day as well as wise advice that she gave me about redoing my resume. Juanita was a true jewel, a diamond of a person. I know that she will be sorely missed. The family has been and will continue to be in my prayers. May God grant you peace and strength during this time of sorrow, reflection and celebration of a life well lived.

Solomon Morgan - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Nita, thank you for all wonderful memories. You have always been there when I needed you. You were a woman of elegance and grace. Will miss you always. I am proud to call you my friend.

Carol - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ I thank God for our friendship and our families crossing paths. What a blessing you were to everyone who's life you touched. We will be in prayer for your family

Greg - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ May God bless the Sands family and Johnetta and June. I remember the three sisters from Breckinridge Street, Nita is at peace now with her Lord and Savior.

Glenda - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ I was shocked and heartbroken to hear of Juanita's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with her family, friends and co-workers at LUL. She will be missed.

lisa Morehead - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ What a mighty woman of God! She will truly be missed! My prayers are with you family! You will see her again!

Rev - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Gene & Family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Will keep you in prayer!

Brenda Wilson - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Much Love from the Mudd family of Louisville, Ky., Smoketown. So sorry for your loss. Hey to Johnetta, love ya! Andrea

A friendJan - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ I grew up knowing Juanita and Johnetta thru skating at Grace Hope. I am so very sorry for your loss may God bless your family during these trying times

Calvin Murrell - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ I extend my sincere sympathy to the family, friends, co-workers and all who knew and loved Juanita. Mary A. Robinson

A friendJan - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

YR

“ Mr. Gene, and entire Sands family, the news of Mrs. Juanita's illness and passing is a heavy load, but the Smile on her face in the picture reminds us of her beautiful & caring personality. Respect for one who cared, guided, and mentored so many. As a member of the choir I know she many times sung the words to the song "If you missing me from singing down here, come on up to bright glory, for I'll surely be singing up there." Surely Mrs. Juanita is at home with our Heavenly Father.

Yolanda Robinson - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ So sorry to hear of Juanita's passing. My prayers for the family. I will miss her beautiful smile and her words of encouragement.

Barbara Trammell - January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Praying for peace and comfort for all of the family. May God hold you in His arms and strengthen you during this time of bereavement.

Janice Briscoe - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ My heart cried out for Mrs. Juanita.I will never forget the time we did lunch and you shared your words of wisdom to me. I know you are resting and we will meet again in Glory. God bless you and your family.

Natasha Cummings - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ My sympathy goes out to the family. She will be missed by MWP participants. I definitely miss her words of encouragement. Prayers are with her family

Pam Russell - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ She always treated me like family. My wife, our daughter & I grieve & celebrate w/ the immediate & extended families of " Nita " ...

A friendJan - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ My sincere condolences.

Diane Harbin - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ Emmett and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Juanita was a wonderful and dear friend to so many. She provided unbelievable leadership to Dress for Success Louisville's board and our community. She had a soul so pure and noble. She did not know the word No. When it came to helping others in need, she always stepped up to the plate. May it bring you comfort to know how many lives have been deeply touched by Juanita. Gone, but not forgotten.

betty - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

YD

“ I am sorry for your loss my prayers are with you and your family.

Yvette Daniels - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ MAY GOD'S COMFORT BE WITH EACH AND EVERYONE. SHE WAS A SPECIAL LADY.

JEWELL DOUGLAS HOWARD - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *John and family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Juanita was a wonderful and dear friend to so many. She provided unbelievable leadership to Dress for Success Louisville's board and our community. She had a soul so pure and noble. She did not know the word "No". When it came to helping others in need, she always stepped up to the plate. May it bring you solace to know how many lives have been deeply touched by Juanita. Gone, but not forgotten.*

Betty J - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *To the family of Juanita, I'm so very sorry for your lost. I went to school with Juanita at Male high school, will be keeping you all in my prayers.*

Mattie Acklin - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *We will not always have to deal with grief Hosea 13:14.*

A friendJan - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ I would like to express my sincere sympathies to the Sands family. Juanita and I were friends for over 25 years. The picture above has me with her when we took a trip together many years ago. It has been the most difficult situation I have had to experience in losing such a good friend. I know that God will sustain the family and friends she left behind and I know that I will see her again when it is God's will. Thanks Juanita for being such a wonderful friend. You are and will be dearly missed.

Toni Whalen - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ John, my most heart felt condolences at this difficult time. Remember our God is able to see us through.

Billy Caldwell - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ May you find comfort in memories and strength in each others love throughout this difficult time. To honor and remember. "Each soul leaves a legacy of love...each memory a bridge to comfort and connect one heart to another forever"•The heart remembers most what it has loved best. May memories comfort you and bring you peace. •Seashells remind us that every passing life leaves something beautiful behind. May beauty live on in your memories and bring you peace. With deepest sympathy, Yolanda Miles (LUL MWP)_Peace & Love_____ (your name)

A friendJan - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the Sands family on your loss. I haven't seen Juanita sense I was a young girl. She use to work for my parents when they owned the Convenient Food Mart. She was the nicest and sweetest person. I always loved seeing here.

Heather Westerman Stewart - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived.

Arnetta Adkins - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GJ

“ To the Sands family,My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Juanita was a wonderful person. She will truly be missed but never forgotten.May God's love comfort you all.

Geree Franklin Jan - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ My sister my friend, I'm naturally sad but spiritually rejoyings. I truely think God for the time he gave us. To Pops, Stacey, John and Jr. She was a wonderful example. I love you guys. Remember Our GOD is always in control. Kim

Kim Springfield - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories bring you comfort.

Sharon Brazley - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ It was a shocked to learn of the passing of Juanita but it appears that God needed her as he has called her home. I will remember the kindness she showed me when I transferred into GE many years ago. I will remember our good times at St Stephens Baptist Church and the Choir but most of all, I will remember that "over the top" personality. Rest my sister for your journey is over and though you will be missed we celebrate your home-going.

Linda Boatright - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Our prayers are with the Sands family. St. Stephen Church Music Ministry.

A friendJan - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Stacey, you and your family are in my prayers at this difficult time. May God's strength uphold you and His peace comfort you.

Beverly Hollingsworth - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

YM

“ My prayers and condolences to the family. She will be missed.

Yvonne Morris - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ My name is James E.Murph an sorry for what happen to your family memeber god bless.

A friendJan - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *My heartfelt condolences and prayers to each of you. Just know Juanita's spirit will continue to shine through us each as we walk this earth.*

Dave Blackwell - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *I pray that our Heavenly Father will wrap His arms of comfort around you. You're in my thoughts and prayers with heartfelt sympathy.*

Patricia Strong Finley - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Betty - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *I continue to try to find the words that express my feelings. Juanita was not only my dear to me but more of a sister and confidant. She will truly be missed. My heartfelt sympathy goes out all who lives have been touched by her.*

Kevin L - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *May God Bless the family in a time of need. Mrs. Juanita Sands was one dynamic lady of expertise. I shall never forget her professional, personal, and unquie kind of training. She corrected one and educatd one all at the same time.I met Mrs. Sands in August 2014 but her presence shall,remain forever. One special lady. God Bless the family Always.*

Sharon Britton - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ Stacey, “The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.” I will continue to keep you and your family in prayer at this difficult time.

Nikki Mishaw - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

YC

“ To: Ms.Sands FamilyMy heartfelt condolences, Ms J.Sands was one special person,I will miss her even though it was a short span of time that I knew her.

yvonne Colyar - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ Our prayers & condolences to the family.

Silas - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To John and the family: you have my deepest sympathy. But know that God still stands with you and will never leave you. Dig in as best you can and trust Him. -Barbara DeBow-

A friendJan - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ To Mr.Emmett, Emmett Jr, John and Stacey my sincere sympathy to you all in the passin of such a lovely person inside and out. I enjoyed seeing her at church with the beautiful smile and always had a hug and smile for me. May God bless each and everyone of you during this difficult time.

Monica Abell - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ *Our Prayers to the Sands/Frierson' Family*

Veronica Bedinger - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *I am so deeply sorry to hear of Juanita's death. We worked together years ago at Capital Holding, and she was always such a delight. Professional, impeccably dressed, and possessed a razor-sharp mind and wit. I had the pleasure of running into her at the park several ago, and she was as radiant as ever. A lovely woman and co-worker. My prayers go out to all of her family in your grief.*

Kelly Holland - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ *Heaven just got a little bit brighter. God Bless you and your family.*

Andrea Groves - January 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

IG

“ *JUANITA F. SANDS*

Inez and Robert Grevious - January 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *My dear dear colleague, I am sad to hear of your passing. You were always such a wonderful help to me and the federal contracting community as a linkage source for workers during my years at the OFCCP. My prayers are with your friends & family during this passing, and may our good God welcome you joyfully at the end of your labours! You leave behind a wonderful legacy of love!*

Carmen E - January 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ There's magic in a Mother's touch, and sunshine in her smile. There's love in everything she does to make your live worthwhile. You can find both hope and courage just by looking in her eyes. Her laughter was a source of joy, her works were warm and wise. There was a kindness and compassion to be found in her embrace and you can see the light of heaven shining from your Mother's face.” Take every memory and cherish it. I can never take her place but, always know I am here if you need me. Love You Much Your Mother_in-Law Carolyn Phiniezy Neal

Carolyn Phiniezy - January 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ I was sad to learn about Mrs Sands passing. I am in the Mature Worker Program where she was employed.

My sincere sympathy and prayers.

Rvku

Martha J Bryant - January 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM