



## Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie

January 8, 1953 - January 8, 2025

Joyce Orene Minter Buie was born on January 8, 1953 to the late Oren Minter and Gardenia Ford in Sumter, South Carolina. She departed this earthly life on January 8, 2025 at the home of her daughter in Columbia, South Carolina.

Mrs. Buie attended Lincoln High School, which later became Sumter High School, where she graduated in the final segregated Class of 1970. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Hampton Institute (now Hampton University) in 1974 and obtained her Master of Education degree from The University of South Carolina in 1985. Mrs. Buie dedicated thirty-three years to improving education in Sumter School District #2 at Mayewood and Crestwood High Schools, respectively, before retiring in 2010. Joyce was a lifelong faithful member of Emmanuel United Methodist Church where she served in numerous capacities throughout her lifetime. Her commitment to Emmanuel United Methodist Church was evident in her service as a member of the Combined Choir, United Women of Faith, Finance Committee, Co-Chair of Worship, and former member of Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF). Her service did not end within the Church but continued in her beloved community.

She was a member of the Sumter Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. for thirty-nine years. She has also been a member of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Sumter Branch, South Carolina Education Association, Sumter County Education Association, and South Sumter Beautification Association.

On May 8, 1982, she married the love of her life, David Harold Buie and two loving daughters were blended into their union. She was preceded in death by her parents, Oren and Gardenia Ford Minter.

She leaves to cherish precious memories, her devoted husband of forty-two years, David Harold Buie of the home; daughters, Jennifer Elaine Buie, Columbia, South Carolina, Kimberly (Devon) Buie McKnight, Wade, North Carolina; grandchildren, Devin (Shelby) Malik McKnight, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Delicia Janae McKnight, Wade, North Carolina; great-grandchild, Amir Malik McKnight, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and a host of other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Hillside Memorial Park

2561 Cains Mill Rd.  
Sumter, SC 29150

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JAN **15**. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Sumter  
304 South Main Street  
Sumter, SC 29150  
(803) 773-3381  
palmermemorialchapel@sc.rr.com  
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

## Omega Omega Service Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

JAN **16**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church  
217 West Bartlette St.  
Sumter, SC 29150

## **A Celebration of Life**

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JAN **16**. 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church  
217 West Bartlette St.  
Sumter, SC 29150

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ *David, daughters and family, may the grace and goodness of God surround you at this time of sorrow in your life. My prayers and love are with you.*

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**Marie Brooks** - January 16, 2025 at 02:00 PM

CB

“ *My condolences to the family.*

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**Cora L Baker** - January 16, 2025 at 01:43 PM

DM

“ *Deepest Condolences to the family of Joyce Minter Buie....*

*Joyce and I were childhood friends. We spent many hours at the adjoining fences of her cousin, Mrs. DeBerry and my grandmother, Mrs. Delia Frierson, talking about everything possible including how we would change the world. We tended to get into trouble in school together (talking). We were separated in the 9th grade when we went to different schools under the "Freedom of Choice" desegregation plan for District 17, but we stayed connected through our Methodist Youth Fellowship at Emmanuel UMC. Time, life, and distance impacted us, but we stayed in touch through family, friends, and life events. Joyce made my childhood so much richer. When I would see her on my visit home, she was always the same person and we would quickly slide back into conversations we would have at that fence, She was so proud of her family-- Jenn and David-- and loved you dearly. I will miss her ... She will always live on with us through her daughter, our memories, and the stories we will continue to share. Rest in peace, my friend.*

*Debra McFadden-Bryant*



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**Debra McFadden-Bryant** - January 16, 2025 at 01:26 PM

CB

“ *Charles and Brenda Boykin purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.*



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**Charles and Brenda Boykin** - January 16, 2025 at 06:19 AM

BF

“ *Minter / Buie Family,  
You have my most heartfelt sympathy. I am  
heartbroken about the passing of my HU  
classmate. I was so happy to see, and spend  
time with her during our 45th Class Reunion  
but was disappointed that she was unable to attend our 50th  
Reunion last year. May God bless and keep you today, and  
everyday. ☐💙*



*- Brenda Mickles Foote, Charlotte, NC; HU '74*

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**Brenda Mickles Foote** - January 16, 2025 at 02:05 AM

TF

“ *The Jones Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Joyce Minter  
Buie.*

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**The Jones Family** - January 15, 2025 at 01:17 PM

TF

“ *The Jones Family purchased the Simply Elegant  
Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter  
Buie.*



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**The Jones Family** - January 15, 2025 at 01:17 PM

RS

“ *Awesome Lady and Friend; RIH my Sister...  
Rev Leroy Thomas Sr*

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**Reverend Leroy Thomas Sr** - January 15, 2025 at 12:12 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.

January 15, 2025 at 07:52 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.



January 15, 2025 at 07:52 AM



“ *Praying for your family's peace and comfort during this difficult time.*  
HS friend- Bonnie Ragin-White



**Bonnie Ragin-White** - January 14, 2025 at 10:26 PM



“ *Annette & Jannette Buie purchased the Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.



**Annette & Jannette Buie** - January 14, 2025 at 04:02 PM

BE

“ Barbara & Errol planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.

Barbara & Errol - January 14, 2025 at 11:26 AM

BE

“ Barbara & Errol purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.



Barbara & Errol - January 14, 2025 at 11:26 AM

LF

“ Love, The Green & Wilson Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.



Love, The Green & Wilson Family - January 13, 2025 at 11:26 AM

AR

“ I am saddened to learn of the passing of my childhood friend, Mrs. Joyce Winter Buie.

Anna Reuben - January 12, 2025 at 09:52 PM

JH

“ Praying for you and your family. 2nd CORINTHIANS 5 and 8 says TO BE ABSENT FROM THE BODY IS TO BE PRESENT WITH THE LORD!!! This scripture has been a source of strength and comfort to me during my time of bereavement. Praying that it will be the same for you and your family. FROM Janie Mae Holland, a classmate of Joyce the class of 1970.

Janie Mae Holland - January 12, 2025 at 03:16 AM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.



January 11, 2025 at 04:08 PM

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“ Debby Berard (Shoney's) purchased the Pretty Pleasure for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.



Debby Berard (Shoney's) - January 11, 2025 at 02:55 PM

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“ Debby Berard (Shoney's) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.

Debby Berard (Shoney's) - January 11, 2025 at 02:55 PM

DB

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your beautiful wife and mother. My prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. Debby (Shoney's)

Debby Berard - January 11, 2025 at 02:48 PM

TF

“ Sending our deepest sympathy and condolences and prayers to the family and relatives and friends.



Tammy Harrison Edwards and Family - January 11, 2025 at 06:41 AM

'J

“ Rest Well 'Mrs. Buie', You Will Be Missed 😞  
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'Sister-In-Law' Sylvia Jean - January 11, 2025 at 12:12 AM

SD

“ Joyce's bright smile and spunky personality brightened the halls of Crestwood High School. She was a special lady, my heart goes out to her family.

Sherri Drew - January 10, 2025 at 09:32 PM

EM

“ Elicia Moore-Hill purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Joyce Minter Buie.



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**Elicia Moore-Hill** - January 10, 2025 at 07:49 PM

JK

“ My childhood friend will be missed. I can see us standing in Emmanuel UMC at the communion rail, dressed in Easter dresses and bonnets, flowers or ribbons in our hair. Joyce’s mom Mrs. Minter always kept her involved in everything. I can see Joyce with bright eyes, and her little cheeky smile. She loved having fun!

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**Janet Smith Kingwood** - January 10, 2025 at 02:22 PM

RN

“ I have so many memories of my dear friend and co-worker-Joyce; and they are all filled with laughter and love. I say to the family, I am grieving with you. I am praying much for you as well grieve together. But just know, there is hope beyond the grave. Trust God, He is in our midst. David and Jennifer, she left a lot of love, embrace it. Cherish it. Be encouraged in days to come. Rev. Sheila Blackmon Neal

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**Rev. Sheila Neal** - January 10, 2025 at 11:49 AM

PJ

“ My heartfelt condolences to the family of such a beautiful educator and soror.  
Soror Pat Jefferson

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**Pat Jefferson** - January 09, 2025 at 01:55 PM

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“ *Our sincere sympathy and condolences and prayers to the family and relatives and friends.* ”



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**Tammy Harrison Edwards and Family** - January 09, 2025 at 06:31 AM