



## Debra Nowell Jones

February 25, 1952 - April 3, 2020

Debra Ann Nowell Jones transitioned peacefully at Chippenham Hospital in Richmond, VA on April 3, 2020. She was born in Gates, NC on February 25, 1952 to the late George Edward and Mamie Rascoe Nowell. She is preceded in death by her firefighter husband, Ronald Jones and her only son, Kevin Maurice Nowell.

Debra attended Gates County Public Schools and was active in the Four-H, Home Economics, and Glee clubs. As a child, she joined Lebanon Grove Baptist Church. After graduation from high school, Debra attended Fayetteville State University and ultimately received a BS degree from Bluefield State University. After college, Debra worked in the Gates County School system and became active in Girl Scouts, serving as a Troop Leader.

Debra eventually moved to Richmond, VA and was employed by the Virginia Baptist Board for many years. She became a member of Solid Rock Baptist Church and was very active in the singles and hospitality ministries. Debra was a devoted mother, good friend, great cook and a talented event planner. She enjoyed short excursions, cooking and cats! Her thoughtful gifts, cards and phone calls will be missed by many.

Debra will be missed by those she loved and those who loved her. Surviving relatives include two brothers; Edward Delaney Nowell of Richmond, VA and Danny Nowell of Atlanta, GA; 2 sisters-in-law,(Barbara Claiborne and Sandra Nowell); four nephews (Marcus (Audra); Adam, Raymond and Jordan Nowell); one aunt, Embry Bagley; three uncles (Charlie Rascoe, Thurman Rascoe and

Walter Lee Nowell); Lorraine Bryant (Tony) and many other cousins, extended family and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **9**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Hunter's Funeral Home - Gates  
701 Hwy 158 West  
Gates, NC 27937  
(252) 357-3130  
<https://www.huntersfuneralhome.com>

## Graveside

APR **10**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Lebanon Grove Baptist Church Cemetery  
Gatesville, NC

# Tribute Wall

DN

“ Happy Birthday Sis..(Feb.25)..think of you often, especially on the first birthday without you here. Missed hearing your voice on your birthday. Had a slice of red velvet cake in your memory. much love your brother Danny

Danny Nowell - February 26, 2021 at 01:38 PM

DN

“ To my sister Ann.  
Many say writing down your thoughts and sad feelings is good therapy. I'm not sure there are words to express the impact your passing has had on me. I know its only been a week and its natural to mourn the loss of a loved one but at times the pain is almost unbearable. You were always the quiet one but inside you were a pillar of strength who taught me so many things in your own unique way. I'm "trusting and believing" as you always said that brighter days are ahead. Take your rest and know that you were loved not only by me but by many friends, family and especially Solid Rock Baptist Church in Richmond VA. We placed Kevin's urn next to you so you will never be alone. Love you... your baby brother, Danny!

Danny Nowell - April 11, 2020 at 09:09 PM

AR

“ Arlise Roscoe lit a candle in memory of Debra Nowell Jones



arlise roscoe - April 11, 2020 at 01:44 PM

AR

*You will be missed but memories you will always have, rest in heaven dear cousin. love your cousin, Arlise, Caffey, and the Roscoe's family from waterbury, ct,*

arlise roscoe - April 11, 2020 at 01:54 PM

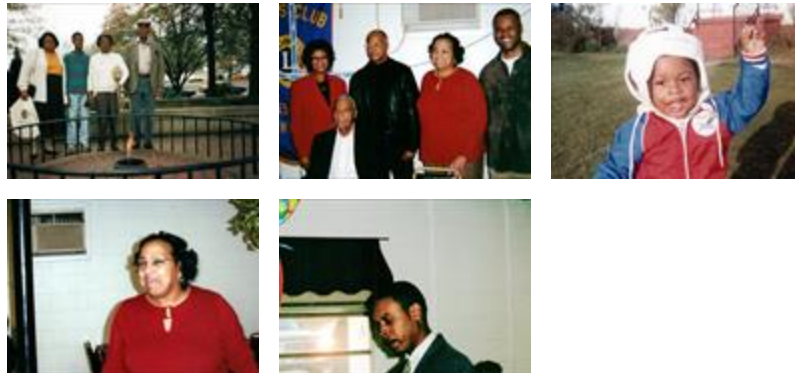
MA

“ *My condolences and prayers to Ms Debra's family..  
My family adopted Ms. Debra as a part of our family..  
Ms Debra was beautiful ,humble, spirited woman of God.. 🙏  
Whenever we visited our mom ,Mrs. Elnora ,and Ms Debra they were a group ...our family shared so many beautiful celebrations with them..  
Ms. Debra we love you and you ..are / will be truly missed.  
RIH 🙏  
We love you!!! Edna ,Barbara, Our family ❤️*

Ms .Edna Austin - April 10, 2020 at 10:14 AM



“ 19 files added to the album Memories Album



Hunter's Funeral Home - April 09, 2020 at 09:11 PM

MA

*So beautiful ❤️*

Ms .Edna Austin - April 10, 2020 at 10:15 AM

MA

*We are going to miss you..*

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**Ms .Edna Austin** - April 10, 2020 at 10:16 AM

PR

“ *Paul and Jackie Robertson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Debra Nowell Jones.*



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**Paul and Jackie Robertson** - April 09, 2020 at 04:31 PM

PR

“ *Paul and I remember our visit with Debra and were surprised to hear of her passing. It seems like we were just there and now----- she is gone.*

*When Debra came to visit us in Washington, DC, we had a good time together. We got home from work and she had prepared dinner. What we thought was a bowl of navy beans turned out to be pork chops smothered in white gravy.*

*One night we had gotten crab legs for dinner and did not know Debra was allergic to the obey seasoning. Boy, did she give us a scare! We thought she was going to get a job and stay in DC but she left her heart (Bk) in NC and decided to return home.*

*Thanks for the memories!!*

*Lovingly,  
Paul and Jackie Robertson  
Fort Washington, MD*

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**Paul and Jacquelyn Robertson** - April 09, 2020 at 04:14 PM

JP

“ *Judy Payne lit a candle in memory of Debra Nowell Jones*



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**Judy Payne** - April 09, 2020 at 08:32 AM

SD

“ *Ms. Debra, a beautiful woman of God, we love you and miss you... Shelia & Asia Dudley*

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**Shelia Dudley** - April 08, 2020 at 11:50 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Debra Nowell Jones.*



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April 08, 2020 at 05:34 PM

NH

“ *Nancy Hancock lit a candle in memory of Debra Nowell Jones*



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**Nancy Hancock** - April 08, 2020 at 04:34 PM

JP

“ *Sending love and prayers. Ann was a wonderful cousin and friend.* ”



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**Jean Saunders Phillips** - April 08, 2020 at 03:26 PM

CL

“ *CLIFF & ELLA LANGSTON lit a candle in memory of Debra Nowell Jones* ”



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**CLIFF & ELLA LANGSTON** - April 08, 2020 at 01:18 PM

VT

“ *Mrs Nowell Jones was my girl scout leader. We loved her. My condolences to her family* ”

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**Valerie Tripp** - April 07, 2020 at 09:39 PM

EC

“ *Emily C. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Debra Nowell Jones.* ”



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**Emily C.** - April 07, 2020 at 09:01 AM

EC

“ Emily Cross lit a candle in memory of Debra Nowell Jones



Emily Cross - April 07, 2020 at 08:31 AM

EJ

“ Ernest & Minnie Jordan sent a virtual gift in memory of Debra Nowell Jones



Ernest & Minnie Jordan - April 07, 2020 at 07:51 AM

EJ

“ Elaine Baker Jones lit a candle in memory of Debra Nowell Jones



Elaine Baker Jones - April 06, 2020 at 10:30 PM

EJ

Friend of the family.

Elaine Baker Jones - April 06, 2020 at 10:33 PM

CL

“ Catherine Lane lit a candle in memory of Debra Nowell Jones



Catherine Lane - April 06, 2020 at 09:54 PM

CL

Debra was a very good friend for many years. It's not easy to say goodbye. I will always remember the good times we had together and the best friend, friendship we shared ever since 1974. Rest in Peace for I know you loved the Lord. Forever my friend. Take your rest and we will meet on that great getting up morning. Love you

Catherine Lane - April 06, 2020 at 09:59 PM

BL

“ So sorry to hear of Debra transition. A beautiful spirited High School classmate. R.I.P

Brad Lilley - April 06, 2020 at 06:45 PM

RG

A life lived where her light shone illuminating Her Father. Her encouraging words and love centered ministries will be missed. RIP Rev Ernest Graham.

Rev Ernest Graham - April 09, 2020 at 12:35 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Debra Nowell Jones.



April 06, 2020 at 06:45 PM

UH

“ *Urania T Harrell lit a candle in memory of Debra Nowell Jones*



Urania T Harrell - April 06, 2020 at 05:33 PM

SM

“ *Sending prayers of sympathy and comfort to the family and friends. Deborah was a sweet spirit and always kind hearted:RIP classmate of the class of 1970.*



Sarah Montague - April 06, 2020 at 05:32 PM

SB

“ *Shelia Harrison Beamon sent a virtual gift in memory of Debra Nowell Jones*



Shelia Harrison Beamon - April 06, 2020 at 03:27 PM

BW

*Sending love and sympathy to the family of my cousin Deborah. She and Tommy were close friends. Loved her bright smile and deep dimples.*

*Love to you, Danny and Delano  
Cousin Brenda Armstrong-Wilson*

Brenda A Wilson - April 08, 2020 at 08:21 PM

MB

“ *Mattie Briscoe lit a candle in memory of  
Debra Nowell Jones*



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**Mattie Briscoe** - April 06, 2020 at 02:26 PM