



## Vanzola Bond Riddick

December 29, 1924 - August 18, 2020

Vanzola Bond Riddick of Gates, NC departed this earthly life on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at her residence. A native of Gates Co., NC she was born on December 29, 1924 to the late Benjamin Bond and Blanche Matthews Bond. She was a retired Librarian for Gates Co. Public Schools. She was a member of Lebanon Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her devoted son, George Riddick (Cheryl) of Suffolk, VA; (1) brother, Henry Jack Bond of Wollcott, CT; (2) grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **22**. 3:00 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

AUG **23**. 3:00 PM (ET)

New Hope Baptist Church  
Gates, NC

# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ Sending my sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to Aunt Vanzola's family. Aunt Vanzola was a wonderful aunt full of love and kindness. She was a true blessing to me in so many ways. Aunt Vanzola was a true gift from the Lord she would do what she could for anyone. She spoke well of others and looked for the best in people. I will always hold her close to my heart her love truly lifted me over the years. May she rest sweetly in Jesus!



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**Bernice Johnson** - August 26, 2020 at 05:36 PM

PH

“ Pamela Harvey lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



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**Pamela Harvey** - August 23, 2020 at 10:19 AM

BJ

*My sincere sympathy and deepest condolences goes out to Aunt Vanzola's family! Aunt Vanzola was so loving and sweet. She was very life changing to me her love and support will never be forgotten! I praise God for her life she was a gift from our Lord. She spoke well of everyone and helped all that she could! I love you Aunt Vanzola rest sweetly in Jesus!*

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**Bernice Johnson** - August 25, 2020 at 03:31 PM

RG

“ *She was a very sweet lady who brought a smile to your face! She will be missed. Praying for the family. Condolences,*  
*Reba Green-Holley*

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**Reba Green-Holley** - August 23, 2020 at 10:12 AM

ME

“ *Mary H Eason lit a candle in memory of*  
*Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Mary H Eason** - August 23, 2020 at 09:57 AM

JH

“ *JoAnn And Lloyd T. Howell lit a candle in*  
*memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**JoAnn and Lloyd T. Howell** - August 23, 2020 at 09:26 AM

JK

“ *Janice Knight-White lit a candle in memory of*  
*Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Janice Knight-White** - August 23, 2020 at 09:15 AM

AB

“ *Prayer of comfort for the passing of Mrs. Vanzola, a woman of great courage. She will truly be missed.*



**Annie Boone-Carroll** - August 23, 2020 at 02:49 AM

MK

“ *Margaret Knight lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



**Margaret Knight** - August 23, 2020 at 12:08 AM

MH

“ *Condolences to the family. God's Blessings. Sister Hunter*



**Mrs. Deborah Hunter** - August 22, 2020 at 09:30 PM

WB

“ *Wanda Dildy Baker lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



**Wanda Dildy Baker** - August 22, 2020 at 06:20 PM

AN

“ *Annie-Costen-Gilmer lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Annie-Costen-Gilmer** - August 22, 2020 at 04:46 PM

ME

“ *Michael Eure lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Michael Eure** - August 22, 2020 at 02:06 PM

CW

“ *Claudia, Jonathan, Kelly and Jon Weston purchased the Eternal Grace for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.*

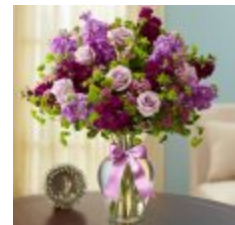


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**Claudia, Jonathan, Kelly and Jon Weston** - August 22, 2020 at 10:44 AM

ME

“ *Michael Eure purchased the Shades of Purple for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.*



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**Michael Eure** - August 22, 2020 at 09:59 AM

VW

“ Violet Riddick West lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



Violet Riddick West - August 21, 2020 at 09:50 PM

VD

“ Veronica Davis-Wallace lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



Veronica Davis-Wallace - August 21, 2020 at 08:28 PM



“ 30 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hunter's Funeral Home - August 21, 2020 at 05:17 PM

TH

“ Thomas Harvey lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



Thomas Harvey - August 21, 2020 at 04:27 PM

SM

“ Sarah Montague lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



Sarah Montague - August 21, 2020 at 02:51 PM

TC

“ The Family of Michael & Suzanne Coyner purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.



The Family of Michael & Suzanne Coyner - August 21, 2020 at 02:32 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.



August 21, 2020 at 10:03 AM

DH

“ Blessings to the family



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**Delores Harvey** - August 21, 2020 at 09:42 AM

CO

“ Dear George and Family,  
We will remember with you the love that Mrs. Vanzola Bond Riddick had for God through Jesus. George, your mother encouraged others to be the best that they could be. She will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of separation. Thank you for sharing her with us! We will keep you in our prayers..  
Pastor Claude M. Odom, & the New Middle Swamp Missionary Baptist Church Family



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**Claude Odom** - August 21, 2020 at 09:22 AM

RM

“ George, I was so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was a dear sweet person. I thought the world of her. Renee Hinton McGinnis

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**Renee McGinnis** - August 21, 2020 at 08:16 AM

CG

“ Carrie Gibson lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



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Carrie Gibson - August 21, 2020 at 06:51 AM

AG

“ Anita Gatling sent a virtual gift in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



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Anita Gatling - August 21, 2020 at 05:02 AM

CL

“ Catherine Lane lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



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Catherine Lane - August 21, 2020 at 03:06 AM

JO

“ Prayerfully for her family. I remember Ms. Riddick as having such poise, grace and calm about her during my middle school years(Central). She definitely left an impression on me. Thankful and May she rest in the peace of God. 🙏

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Joan - August 21, 2020 at 01:51 AM

ML

“ *Marsha Faulk Langston lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Marsha Faulk Langston** - August 21, 2020 at 01:13 AM

DB

“ *Every student that has ever walked the Halls of Central High School Middle School, no mistake, should pause, and reflect on the life and legacy of Mrs. Vanzola B. Riddick. How great... sing a song for her, write a poem of her- she has been and is, worthy of our admiration. My name is David A. Boone, and I probably spent more time in her Library, yes, I said her Library, than any male student in a four year period. She would always come to me and say that Mr. Creecy, our Principal, wanted me to recite a poem during our periodic morning gatherings. It was never a short poem, the last being: " The World is Waiting for You ". To shorten this memory, there in her Library I courted my wife, Thelma Eason Boone. The day we bury our Classmate, Lawrence Eure, and visit, our beloved Librarian, Mrs Vanzola B. Riddick, we will celebrate our 50th Wedding Anniversary. We would not do this for anyone else that we know.*

*I can hear you working with Moses, trying to get it right. We love you.*

*David and Thelma Eason Boone  
Central High School Middle School  
1964- 1968*

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**David Boone** - August 20, 2020 at 11:44 PM

RR

“ *Rev. Linwood & Emma J. Riddick lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Rev. Linwood & Emma J. Riddick** - August 20, 2020 at 11:14 PM

RE

“ *Ricky & Pam Eason lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Ricky & Pam Eason** - August 20, 2020 at 10:33 PM

TB

“ *My beautiful Aunt Vanzola. I remember an afternoon spent with you when you told all the "Bond girls" secrets! Thank you for a glimpse into my family's history. Thank you for letting me know your appreciation of my grandmother and your sister, Ethel. I have always admired you. I remember your words at Aunt Willie Bessie's funeral, "I am the only one left." And now you have left us. You all live on on our hearts.*

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**Terry Hall Boyd** - August 20, 2020 at 10:28 PM

TF

“ *What a beautiful soul. My condolences to George Riddick and family. You are in my prayers.*



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**The Smith Family** - August 20, 2020 at 10:25 PM

JR

“ To the Bond/Riddick Families,

*I have fond memories of Mrs. Riddick. God truly blessed her with 95 years of life's journey.*

*Rita, you have my condolences in the passing of your Aunt Vanzola.*

*Prayerfully,  
Jacquelyn (Wolfrey) Robertson*



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**Jacquelyn (Wolfrey) Robertson** - August 20, 2020 at 10:08 PM

BR

“ Betsy Riddick sent a virtual gift in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



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**Betsy Riddick** - August 20, 2020 at 09:47 PM



“ Pink Rose Fireside Basket was purchased for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.



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August 20, 2020 at 09:39 PM



“ *Juanita White lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



Juanita White - August 20, 2020 at 08:17 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.*



August 20, 2020 at 07:20 PM



“ *Bountiful European Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.*



August 20, 2020 at 06:03 PM



“ *Antoinette Holley sent a virtual gift in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



Antoinette Holley - August 20, 2020 at 05:54 PM



“ *Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.*



August 20, 2020 at 05:47 PM



“ *Brenda & Ernst Melton purchased the Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Vanzola Bond Riddick.*



**Brenda & Ernst Melton** - August 20, 2020 at 04:26 PM



“ *Sharion Boone lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



**Sharion Boone** - August 20, 2020 at 04:00 PM



“ *Fred And Gloria Harvey lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



**Fred and Gloria Harvey** - August 20, 2020 at 03:07 PM

CS

“ *Connie Hall Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Connie Hall Smith** - August 20, 2020 at 12:14 PM

FD

“ *Faye Darden lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Faye Darden** - August 20, 2020 at 11:54 AM

PC

“ *Patricia Cross lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Patricia Cross** - August 20, 2020 at 07:52 AM

CB

“ *Clayton Boone lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Clayton Boone** - August 19, 2020 at 08:57 PM



“ *Reginald Williams lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Reginald Williams** - August 19, 2020 at 06:15 PM



“ *Marie Lewis lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Marie Lewis** - August 19, 2020 at 03:18 PM



“ *Martha P. Lamison lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Martha P. Lamison** - August 19, 2020 at 03:03 PM



“ *My prayers go out to the family*



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**Linda Freeman** - August 19, 2020 at 12:53 PM

CL

“ Clifton+Ella Langston lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



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**Clifton+Ella Langston** - August 19, 2020 at 12:50 PM

JS

“ Oh, such wonderful memories! Grew up where she was already a positive force. My High School teacher 1951-1955. She mandated that we memorize the opening paragraphs of the Declaration of Independence. Years later a literacy test required by a Gates Elections Official had me read the opening paragraphs of the Declaration of Independence. I turned it around and recited it to him. Thank you Mrs.Riddick, Please rest easy.  
James Sears

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**James Sears** - August 19, 2020 at 12:09 PM

MB

“ Melvin Boone lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick



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**Melvin Boone** - August 19, 2020 at 11:54 AM

DW

“ *Domita White sent a virtual gift in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Domita White** - August 19, 2020 at 11:29 AM

ES

“ *Ethel Stevens lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Ethel Stevens** - August 19, 2020 at 10:03 AM



“ *Fannie Sullivan lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Fannie Sullivan** - August 19, 2020 at 09:07 AM



*My 9th grade english & lit teacher.I will always remember that she chose me when we left Buckland and went to Central to help her set up the library by using the Dewey Decimal system.One more thing ,i will always remember her.Codolences to the family.May Mrs. Riddick. forever rest in peace*

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**Fannie Sullivan** - August 19, 2020 at 09:19 AM

EJ

“ *Condolences to the Riddick's/Bond's families.*



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**Ernest & Minnie Jordan** - August 19, 2020 at 08:23 AM

MB

“ *Mattie Briscoe lit a candle in memory of Vanzola Bond Riddick*



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**Mattie Briscoe** - August 19, 2020 at 07:56 AM

AW

“ *I am praying for George and the family. I remember Mrs. Riddick as my librarian and Sunday School teacher at church. Very beautiful smile and beautiful soul. I praying healing grace to the family.*

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**Anthony Wilson** - August 18, 2020 at 10:41 PM

SH

“ *Prayers to you all*



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**Shelia Harrison\_Beamon** - August 18, 2020 at 09:15 PM

MC

“ Mrs. Riddick was example of a perfect lady with beauty and grace. Giving not only guidance and council when you went to her for help but giving comfort to you the child that your questions were ok to ask. I'm so glad that I was in that tenure of her time in out school system. To the family and our community my sincerely sympathy.  
Msry Cross-Sidky

mary cross-sidky - August 18, 2020 at 07:35 PM

EL

“ Those we love don't go away. They walk beside us everyday. Unseen, unheard, but always near. Still loved, still missed, and very dear.



Vanzola B Riddick is remembered as my English Mentor. Each time I write an article or prepare to speak I still hear her voice reminding me what not to duplicate in the same paragraph or words not to use with each other. She was an outstanding life coach.

With Love  
Esther Walton Lassiter

Esther Lassiter - August 18, 2020 at 07:32 PM

CK

“ My condolences to everyone who loved this beautiful lady now an angel.....95 years of age GOD WAS GOOD.....R.I.P AUNT VAN ❤️🌹  
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Charlisa Knight - August 18, 2020 at 04:18 PM