



## Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton

April 16, 1939 - August 21, 2021

The heavenly gates opened up for Mrs. Doris Jean (Atwater) Hinton on Saturday, August 21, 2021 while in the comfort of her home surrounded by her loving family.

Doris was born on April 16, 1939 from the holy union of Jeff Atwater and Leora May Atwater in Jackson, Tennessee. Her parents moved to Saginaw, Michigan when Doris was only 3 years old. Both parents preceded her in death.

Doris was educated in the Saginaw Public School System and earned her diploma from Saginaw High School in 1957. She married her high school sweetheart John Lewis Hinton on October 10, 1959. Together, they raised two beautiful daughters, Carla Denise Hinton and Rhonda Michelle Hinton Mathis. She continued her education by earning certification(s) in the field Key-Punch Operator. Also, Doris and John were a major influence in the life of a special niece, Beatrice Erwin King.

Doris was a loyal and faithful member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church for over 75 years where she served faithfully. Before COVID, Doris dedicated her time decorating numerous Christmas trees for the church lobby areas in honor of her daughter Rhonda Hinton Mathis. Doris was very active in numerous ministries within Bethel AME Church. She was extremely proud

when she co-chaired Women's Day with Alberta Pruitt and they set the record for raising the most money for Women's Day.

Doris was recently awarded Emeritus Status from Stewardess Board #3 where she originally served with her mother. As a Class Leader, Doris earned the Class Leader of the Year Award, she received Perfect Attendance Awards and awards for submitting required reports on time. Doris volunteered to serve in the kitchen for all Class Leader functions and celebrations. Doris was gifted with a plaque and given Emeritus Status from her duties as a Class Leader. Before her illness, Doris was a very active member of the Saginaw Birthday Club.

One of the exceptional qualities that made Doris distinctive was she became the surrogate mother to grandkids, nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Doris was also an enthusiastic fundraiser for her grandkids, great-grandkids and her godson. She would devote her time making homemade chocolates and pecan turtles' candies to sell, she was extraordinary in selling raffle tickets and she worked tirelessly to obtain program ads in support of all their programs. When her kids were involved in; The People-to-People International Student Program, Gamma Kappa Kudos or the Young People's King/Queen Contests at Bethel, Doris would raise top money. She would commit her time to each one.

After 31 years of dedicated service, Doris retired from EAG Financial Department of North American Operations of General Motors Corporation in Pontiac, Michigan. Doris established a second career as a passionate travel agent. Throughout the years, Doris worked with Morley Travel and Carnival Cruises to provide trips to the Caribbean and Mexico for family and friends. Doris was extremely generous and would surprise family members or friends with a free cruise. She would also sponsored exuberate sellout annual bus trips to Tunica, MS and Sault Saint Marie, Michigan. Doris was known to share her incentives with her guests. Her travel goal was to ensure everyone

had a great trip.

Doris Jean Hinton leaves to cherish her memory: her devoted husband of 61 years, John Lewis Hinton; one daughter, Carla D. Hinton; six grandsons: Jonathan J. Hinton, Jerry A. Mathis, Jr., Gary W. Thomas all of Saginaw, MI; Saleem (Quentrese) Hinton of Dardenne Prairie, MO, Wayne S. Thomas of Saginaw, MI, and Deyonis (Naseraly) Hinton of Grand Rapids, MI; one granddaughter, Rhonda Rivera of Saginaw, MI; 13 beautiful great-grandchildren that she loved dearly, Jonnai Hinton, Jayden Mathis, Ja'Keyla Mathis, Ja'Nylah Mathis, Gary W. Thomas, Jr., Ge'Sean Thomas and Jakai Mathis all of Saginaw, MI, Saleem H. Hinton Jr. of Dardenne Prairie, MO, Wayne S. Thomas of Saginaw, MI and Deyonis Hinton II, Jonas L. Hinton of Grand Rapids, MI, My'Angel Rivera and Arsenio Dukes, Jr. of Saginaw, MI; one godson, Kielen (Sarah) J. King of Vancouver, WA and one goddaughter, Ashley Anderson of Saginaw, MI; two brothers-in-law, Ralph (Ruthie) Hinton of Saginaw, MI and Al (Sei) Hinton of Honolulu, HI. In addition, Doris had her special cousin, Katherine Atwater and an enormous cadre of special friends including, Katherine Atwater, Barbara Hinton, Isabella Holmes, Audrey Savage, Darlene Cummings and Laura Taylor; as well as, her beloved dog, Teddy.

Mrs. Hinton was preceded in death by her daughter Rhonda Hinton Mathis; parents Jeff & Leora Atwater; in-laws, Eddie & Johnnie Mae Hinton; two sisters, Mary (Atwater) Doster and Mattie (Atwater) Erwin; three brothers, Willie B Hutch, Joseph W. Atwater and her recently deceased dedicated and faithful brother, Charles W. Atwater. Also, one godson, Craig Henley and one goddaughter, Khailia Warren.

Family hour will take place at 10:00 AM Friday, August 27, 2021 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan

48607, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Rev. P. David Saunders will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 South Washington Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48601. Friends may call at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48607, from 2:00-6:00 p.m. on Thursday.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 26. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 North Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607

## Family Hour

AUG 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 North Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607

## Funeral Service

AUG 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 North Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607



# Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Browne's Mortuary - August 27, 2021 at 10:38 AM

RT

*Praying for strength and peace's always for the Atwater and Saleem and the entire Hinton Family , Hold to God's unchanging hands remember everything your Grandmother stood for and everything she did to help you to get where you are in life most of all remember how much she loved the Lord and Lord all of you.Love from Tucker family.*



Rodney and Armelda Tucket - August 27, 2021 at 11:30 PM

RT

*Remember how much she Loved you all* 🙏🙏🙏❤️❤️❤️❤️

Rodney and Armelda Tucket - August 27, 2021 at 11:33 PM

RT

*Rodney and Armelda Tucker* ❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏

Rodney and Armelda Tucker - August 27, 2021 at 11:34 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to Mrs. Doris Hinton's family. May God grant you peace and give you strength during this difficult time.* ”



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**Cheryl Fentress-Nash** - September 02, 2021 at 12:49 PM

TB

“ *Tonja S Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton* ”



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**Tonja S Brown** - August 31, 2021 at 12:35 AM

GW

“ *Gracie Witherspoon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton* ”



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**Gracie Witherspoon** - August 31, 2021 at 12:34 AM

JN

“ *Janet Norris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton* ”



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**Janet Norris** - August 27, 2021 at 10:12 PM

AR

“ *Annye Roberts sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Annye Roberts** - August 27, 2021 at 10:24 AM

AR

“ *Annye Roberts sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Annye Roberts** - August 27, 2021 at 10:22 AM



“ *Phyllis Thorne lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Phyllis Thorne** - August 27, 2021 at 08:38 AM

DA

“ *Debra Austin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Debra Austin** - August 27, 2021 at 07:27 AM

LW

“ *Louis Weems sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Louis Weems** - August 26, 2021 at 10:40 PM

DW

“ *Sincere sympathy*



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**Deborah Ann Williams** - August 26, 2021 at 10:01 PM

SF

“ *Stephanie Ford sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Stephanie Ford** - August 26, 2021 at 09:55 PM

CB

“ *Cherryl & Micah Biggins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Cherryl & Micah Biggins** - August 26, 2021 at 09:02 PM

AN

“ Alicia Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Alicia Nelson - August 26, 2021 at 06:17 PM

DH

“ Dawn Hughey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Dawn Hughey - August 26, 2021 at 03:24 PM

CW

“ Calvin & Delores Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Calvin & Delores Williams - August 26, 2021 at 01:17 PM

CW

“ Calvin & Delores Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Calvin & Delores Williams - August 26, 2021 at 01:15 PM

JW

“ Jimmie And Beverly Westbrook sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Jimmie and Beverly Westbrook - August 26, 2021 at 12:31 PM

MF

“ Mr. & Mrs. Donald Anderson And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Mr. & Mrs. Donald Anderson and Family - August 26, 2021 at 10:39 AM

TR

“ Terry And Emma Richard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Terry and Emma Richard - August 26, 2021 at 10:25 AM

LM

“ Larry Martin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Larry Martin - August 26, 2021 at 10:17 AM

VJ

“ *Victor And Stella Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



Victor and Stella Johnson - August 26, 2021 at 03:33 AM



“ *Cherished Memories - All White was purchased for the family of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton.*



August 26, 2021 at 03:23 AM

YS

“ *Yvonne Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



Yvonne Sanders - August 25, 2021 at 11:23 PM

AJ

“ *ALICE FAYE FLETCHER JOHNSON sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



ALICE FAYE FLETCHER JOHNSON - August 25, 2021 at 09:31 PM

AW

“ Audrey Watkins-Savage sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Audrey Watkins-Savage - August 25, 2021 at 06:56 PM



“ Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton.



August 25, 2021 at 04:36 PM

BR

“ Brendasherley1@gmail.com lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



brendasherley1@gmail.com - August 25, 2021 at 04:35 PM

WB

“ Walsezetta Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Walsezetta Bennett - August 25, 2021 at 03:11 PM

WB

“ *Walsezetta Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Walsezetta Bennett** - August 25, 2021 at 03:10 PM

TA

“ *The family of Charles W Atwater purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton.*



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**The family of Charles W Atwater** - August 25, 2021 at 02:38 PM

AD

“ *James and I send our deepest condolences to the family of Doris J. Hinton. We will miss our annual outings with her and I will miss our Friday pickups with her any my father. May you find comfort in the many memories that you are blessed to hold close.*



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**Angela Dorsey** - August 25, 2021 at 02:25 PM

YF

“ *Your General Motors Body Shop Family purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton.*



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**Your General Motors Body Shop Family** - August 25, 2021 at 01:47 PM

KR

“ *Everett and Kimberly Roberts*



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**Kimberly Roberts** - August 25, 2021 at 12:52 PM

BL

“ *Brenda C. Lawson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Brenda C. Lawson** - August 25, 2021 at 12:50 PM

WF

“ *Wanda Faye Reynolds And Reynolds Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Wanda Faye Reynolds and Reynolds Family** - August 25, 2021 at 12:35 PM

AF

“ *Annie Ruth Speight Fuller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Annie Ruth Speight Fuller** - August 25, 2021 at 11:34 AM

MD

“ *Mr&Mrs William Doxie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Mr&Mrs William Doxie** - August 25, 2021 at 11:03 AM

PM

“ *Pamela Brown Maloy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Pamela Brown Maloy** - August 25, 2021 at 10:53 AM

SO

“ *SONACARRUTH sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**SONACARRUTH** - August 25, 2021 at 09:41 AM

LF

“ *L.D. FRIERSON lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**L.D. FRIERSON** - August 25, 2021 at 09:31 AM

LM

“ *Larry And Ora McBride lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



**Larry and Ora McBride** - August 25, 2021 at 09:24 AM

CJ

“ *C. Jarrett-Mason lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



**C. Jarrett-Mason** - August 25, 2021 at 09:22 AM

MB

“ *Mildred Burton&family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



**Mildred burton&family** - August 25, 2021 at 08:57 AM

TF

“ *T.williams& Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



**T.williams& family** - August 25, 2021 at 08:57 AM



“ *Joanie Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Joanie Williams** - August 25, 2021 at 08:45 AM



“ *Cheryl Cooper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Cheryl Cooper** - August 25, 2021 at 07:36 AM



“ *Sam And Deborah Mack sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Sam and Deborah Mack** - August 25, 2021 at 06:58 AM



“ *Phyllis Thorne sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Phyllis Thorne** - August 25, 2021 at 05:48 AM

PC

“ Sending my love & condolence from Orlando Florida 🌴. Peter Cooper



Peter Cooper - August 24, 2021 at 11:11 PM

DT

“ Debbie Toney sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



debbie toney - August 24, 2021 at 09:57 PM

MM

“ My sincere condolences to the family of Doris Hinton. Doris will be greatly missed at our girls birthday outings, and our many church gatherings. Rest in Heaven, my friend.



Melleretha Moses-Johnson - August 24, 2021 at 09:43 PM

JP

“ Praying for the family



Janice Powell-Coleman - August 24, 2021 at 07:46 PM

JR

“ *Janice Ruffin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Janice Ruffin** - August 24, 2021 at 07:25 PM

AF

“ *Annie Ruth Speight Fuller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Annie Ruth Speight Fuller** - August 24, 2021 at 07:08 PM

GB

“ *Gwen Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Gwen Bowman** - August 24, 2021 at 06:54 PM

TR

“ *Terry And Emma Richard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Terry and Emma Richard** - August 24, 2021 at 06:41 PM

HF

“ *Houston Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Houston Family** - August 24, 2021 at 06:41 PM

TR

“ *Terryand Emma Richard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Terryand Emma Richard** - August 24, 2021 at 06:39 PM

TR

“ *Terryand Emma Richard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Terryand Emma Richard** - August 24, 2021 at 06:38 PM

MB

“ *Mary Bailey-Fifer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Mary Bailey-Fifer** - August 24, 2021 at 05:51 PM

LC

“ *Larry&Gwen Conway sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Larry&Gwen Conway** - August 24, 2021 at 04:32 PM

CD

“ *Corliss Dawkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Corliss Dawkins** - August 24, 2021 at 04:25 PM

KC

“ *Karen Cork lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Karen Cork** - August 24, 2021 at 04:20 PM

CW

“ *Calvin & Delores Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Calvin & Delores Williams** - August 24, 2021 at 04:15 PM

AV

“ Al And Brenda Vinson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Al and Brenda Vinson - August 24, 2021 at 03:52 PM

JO

“ JoyReeves lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



JoyReeves - August 24, 2021 at 03:47 PM

BL

“ Barbara Land-Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Barbara Land-Jones - August 24, 2021 at 01:59 PM

SH

“ SharonBrown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



sharonBrown - August 24, 2021 at 01:46 PM

DG

“ *Delphine Greene lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Delphine Greene** - August 24, 2021 at 01:33 PM

BC

“ *Bobbie Crosby-Locke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Bobbie Crosby-Locke** - August 24, 2021 at 01:24 PM

LV

“ *Linda McClain Veasley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Linda McClain Veasley** - August 24, 2021 at 01:00 PM

BC

“ *Betty Cliatt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Betty Cliatt** - August 24, 2021 at 12:46 PM

SM

“ To John and the Hinton family, so sorry to hear about Doris. May God provide strength, comfort and guidance doing this difficult time and the days ahead.



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**Sam and Deborah Mack** - August 24, 2021 at 12:33 PM

DC

“ David And Rebecca Carter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



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**David and Rebecca Carter** - August 24, 2021 at 12:13 PM

CD

“ Corliss Dawkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



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**Corliss Dawkins** - August 24, 2021 at 11:54 AM

SD

“ Sandra Dale lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



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**Sandra Dale** - August 24, 2021 at 11:46 AM

BW

“ *Bridget West sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Bridget West** - August 24, 2021 at 11:04 AM

SO

“ *SONACARRUTH lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**SONACARRUTH** - August 24, 2021 at 10:25 AM

NT

“ *Nola Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Nola Taylor** - August 24, 2021 at 08:02 AM

MB

“ *Mark Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Mark Brown** - August 23, 2021 at 11:50 PM

BB

“ *Belinda Barlow-Poole lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Belinda Barlow-Poole** - August 23, 2021 at 10:11 PM

SH

“ *To the Hinton family & friends my condolences and prayers of comfort to you all. May you be comfort during this difficult time. God's blessings.*



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**Stephanie Hall** - August 23, 2021 at 09:30 PM

HS

“ *Helen Scott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Helen Scott** - August 23, 2021 at 07:55 PM

JT

“ *John And Lillian Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**John and Lillian Thomas** - August 23, 2021 at 06:44 PM

CC

“ Carolyn Currie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



carolyn currie - August 23, 2021 at 06:42 PM

BJ

“ Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Brenda Jones - August 23, 2021 at 03:52 PM

LS

“ Lillie Strong & Family sent a Virtual Gift in Memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Lillie B. Strong - August 23, 2021 at 02:51 PM

PD

“ Hinton family we are sorry for your loss. You all are in our prayers. Hoping you can find comfort in this trying time. God Bless you all.



Philip Drake - August 23, 2021 at 09:19 AM

RP

“ Rudy Patterson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Rudy Patterson - August 23, 2021 at 09:03 AM



“ Yvette Wofford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Yvette Wofford - August 22, 2021 at 09:56 PM

AP

“ Cont.... The love and support for family and friends will never be forgotten. Rest In Peace Doris.

Alberta Pruitt - August 22, 2021 at 07:07 PM

RW

“ Rodney & Barbara Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton



Rodney & Barbara Walker - August 22, 2021 at 06:26 PM

FB

“ *Faye Bond lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Faye Bond** - August 22, 2021 at 02:52 PM

RW

“ *Rhonda L. Warren sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



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**Rhonda L. Warren** - August 22, 2021 at 02:24 PM

MB

“ *Life promises us nothing you took advantage of all of it miss u auntie RIP Love to you and my family*

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**M Beemon** - August 22, 2021 at 12:00 PM

AP

“ *With a broken heart I extended my most sincere condolences to the Hinton family. I am grateful to GOD for your friendship. Your love and support for your family and friends will benefit be forgotten.*

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**Alberta Pruitt** - August 22, 2021 at 11:34 AM

SP

“ *With a broken heart I extended my most sincere condolences to the Hinton family. I am grateful to GOD for your friendship. Your love and support for your family and friends will benefit be forgotten.*

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**sam & Sam Pruitt** - August 22, 2021 at 11:32 AM

BJ

“ *Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



**Brenda Jones** - August 22, 2021 at 09:29 AM

LM

“ *Larry And Pamela Monroe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



**Larry and Pamela Monroe** - August 22, 2021 at 09:08 AM

KJ

“ *Kimberly F Jackson-Woodley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



**Kimberly F Jackson-Woodley** - August 22, 2021 at 08:48 AM

NH

“ *Noland & Karen Heath lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Jean Hinton*



**Noland & Karen Heath** - August 21, 2021 at 09:43 PM