



Norma Jean Rice

February 14, 1950 - March 6, 2025

Obituary

Mrs. Norma J. Rice-Smith was born February 14, 1950, to the late John L. Washington and the late Alma Boston-Hines in Darnell, Louisiana, in West Carrol Parish Louisiana.

After high school graduation, Norma and Jessie Rice was married and had four children; La'Tonya Renea Rice-Barnes (deceased), Dierdra Rice (deceased), Jarris Rice (deceased) and Jacques Rice Sr., all of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Norma attended University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) School of Nursing, where she became a Registered Nurse. She practiced nursing at Women's Hospital, University Medical Center Clinic, Sunrise Hospital, and University Medical Center Hospital until she retired in 1999 due to her health. She also was the Head of Victory Church Nursing Gill for a number of years.

Norma accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at Victory Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend A. J. Thompson in 1977 and continued to serve under the leadership of the late Dr. Robert E. Fowler Sr. until her health declined.

In 1988 Norma met and later married James Smith Jr., they lived in Las Vegas, Nevada for 37 years.

Norma leaves to cherish her memory; her husband; James Smith Jr. Her son; Jacques Rice Sr. (Traci). Her brothers; John K. Washington, Lawrence Washington (Rachel), Felix Hines, and Maurice Jackson. Her sisters; Carol

Desselle, Annie Washington, Mona Washington, and Connie Hines. Four stepchildren; Veronica Addison, Brenda Washington, Nicole Jackson, and Anthon Smith. Twenty grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

Norma was also preceded in death by her sisters; Diana Nash and Veronica Clay, and her step-son; James M. Smith.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

1500 N Las Vegas Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 27. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Thomas and Jones Funeral Home
2457 N Decatur Blvd
Las Vegas, NV 89108
(702) 384-7600
trintion.holmes@dignitymemorial.com
<https://www.thomasandjonesfuneralhome.com/>

Celebration of Life

MAR 28. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (PT)

Victory Missionary Baptist Church
500 W Monroe Ave
Las Vegas, NV 89106

Committal

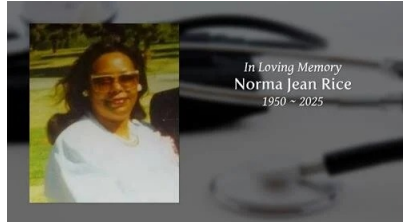
MAR 28. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Woodlawn Cemetery
1500 N Las Vegas Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Tribute Wall



“ Thomas & Jones Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Norma Jean Rice



Thomas and Jones Funeral Home - March 26, 2025 at 03:08 PM

SS

“ My deepest condolences to Jock and family. Love you my brother. If you need anything please don't hesitate to call.

Shemithia Swinson

Shemithia Swinson - March 28, 2025 at 07:55 AM

CD

“ Praying for you and the family Ques.
And know that there is no sorrow that Jesus cannot heal.

*Love You Brother,
Connie R. Towers-Dunbar
Red*



Connie Dunbar - March 27, 2025 at 05:21 PM

QS

“ Quinsonya Smith lit a candle in memory of Norma Jean Rice



Quinsonya Smith - March 27, 2025 at 12:12 PM

QS

Sorry for your loss Jock, Traci and family 🙏🙏🙏! Continues Prayers to you and your family. Norma Rest in Paradise I will miss your beautiful smile and great advice 😊❤️! Love Always Sonya, Roderick and family 🙏💕💕💕

Quinsonya Smith - March 27, 2025 at 12:16 PM

LE

“ Love your family at Steel Edge purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Norma Jean Rice.



Love your family at Steel Edge - March 26, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ Ms.Rice was a beautiful woman inside out!! My sincere condolences to the family!! May God comfort you during this difficult time!!! Family if need anything we are here for you!!!

Jeff and Gaila Jerkins

Gayla Allison - March 25, 2025 at 02:45 PM

JF

“ Jacques, Traci & Family! purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Norma Jean Rice.



Jacques, Traci & Family! - March 24, 2025 at 02:31 AM

JF

“ Jacques, Traci & Family! planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norma Jean Rice.

Jacques, Traci & Family! - March 24, 2025 at 02:31 AM

LR

“ Lawrence and Rachel purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Norma Jean Rice.



Lawrence and Rachel - March 23, 2025 at 07:08 PM

LR

“ Lawrence and Rachel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norma Jean Rice.

Lawrence and Rachel - March 23, 2025 at 07:08 PM

LR

“ We send our love and heartfelt condolences to Norma Jean Rice entire family.

From:

Bishop Dr. James M. Rogers Sr. & Lady

Jessie Rogers

New Jerusalem Worship Center, Las Vegas, Nevada



Lady Jessie Rogers - March 22, 2025 at 08:39 PM

BW

Sending my heartfelt condolences to the entire family. Definitely keeping you in my prayers 🙏. Much love Kerry & Bridget Williams.

Bridget Williams - March 25, 2025 at 12:51 PM

CC

Sincere condolences to the family og Norma Rice. Praying that the Comfort of our Lord and Savior be with you. 🙏 Carolyn and Willie Carroll

Carolyn Carroll - March 25, 2025 at 01:02 PM



“ Touching Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Norma Jean Rice.



March 20, 2025 at 04:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Norma Jean Rice.

March 20, 2025 at 04:54 PM