



## Bernice Jones Massey

August 14, 1925 - December 7, 2013

### Biography

Bernice Jones Massey, born August 14, 1925 took her place in heaven on

Saturday, December 7, 2013. She was the last surviving child of Chester Lawson and Mattie Lee Jones. As a member of the DAR her lineage dates back before the American Revolution. A native Atlanta resident, she and her husband moved to Americus in 2007. After her husband's death she moved to Sumter Retirement Village in Plains, Georgia. She was an avid gardener, a worldly traveler and a wonderful cook. Mrs. Massey was retired from Fulton County Board of Education where she was a revered teacher for 25 years. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 66 years, Charles Warren Massey and is survived by son, Alan Charles Massey and wife Sherry; daughter, Gladys Massey Cochran and husband Ron; four grandchildren, Chuck Massey, Brad Massey, Cam Cochran and Kaylin Cochran Deal and their families; seven great grandchildren, Shelby and C.J. Massey, Madison and Nicholas Massey, Camie and Camille Cochran, Dylan Deal, and many nieces, nephews and cousins. She was an inspiring family matriarch and her legacy of love and faith will live on through her beloved family. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 11 o'clock at the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home with Rev. Vicki Smith officiating. Interment to follow at Holly Hill Memorial Park. Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at [www.parrottfuneralhome.com](http://www.parrottfuneralhome.com). The family will receive friends Monday evening from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at Parrott Funeral Home and Crematory. 770-964-4800.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory  
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# Tribute Wall

JD

“ Gladys  
*I was so sorry to hear about your Mother. May God's love give you and your family comfort at this time.*

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**Janet Dawkins** - December 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Gladys, you have great memories of your mom. She was one of the sweetest ladies I ever met. I will always remember that smile she always gave when I saw her. I know she's having a family reunion now and we'll see her again. Love you and your family.

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**Jean Hancock** - December 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Hi Alan,  
  
*You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May God continue to hold you close and give you peace.*

*Cindy d.*

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**Cindy Denman** - December 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ *Favorite teacher and beautiful person. Signed her "conduct" book many times for talking in class, mostly to Gladys.*

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**Melvyn** - December 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Gladys & Family,

*The world has lost a beautiful southern lady. I cannot even picture Bernice without a smile on her face.*

*May God wrap you in His arms and bring you the peace that only He can.*

*Our sincerest condolences,*

*Margaret & Gordon*

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**Margaret & Gordon Kilgore** - December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HP

“ Gladys & Families

*We were sorry to hear about our sweet neighbor on White Mill Rd.*

*God bless you all.*

*Horace & Jeanette*

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**Horace & Jeanette Privett** - December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *As one of her 6th grade students from Utoy Springs Elementary, I remember Mrs. Massey fondly...She was a great teacher...My thoughts and condolences to Gladys and her family at this time...*

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**Michael Barnette** - December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I've often thought of Mrs Massey over the years. She endured me in her 6th grade class at Utoy Springs with the utmost patience. She was, without doubt, a gracious and gentle lady. She was the only person I ever knew who drove the Mercury sedan with the rear electric window. I was fascinated with that car. God bless you Mrs Massey for all the lives you touched.

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**Mark Cash** - December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ I had Mrs Massey in the sixth grade at Utoy Springs Elementary 1961-62. She was a very good teacher, something I DoD not realize until we moved to Cobb County. My prayers are with her family at this sad Time.

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**Riley Orr** - December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Gladys and Alan,  
A group of students has been getting together for lunch in the Atlanta area this past year, and your mom is always mentioned. She, Mrs. Gabriel, and Mrs. Lane (Slaughter) were all special people - to their students and to me, as a teacher. I'm so sorry not to have had some "last" conversations with her. Her life was rich and full; she was so proud of her family. I know you will miss her. You have my sympathy and prayers.

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**Betty Garrett Goodman** - December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM