



## Ms. Jewel Faye Knight

April 6, 1952 - September 28, 2020

Jewel Faye Taft Knight

was born on April 6, 1952 to the late Burnice Taft and Evelyn Knight Taft. She departed this life on September 28, 2020.

Jewel Faye

attended Fleming Street School and C.M. Eppes High School. She was a part of the Junior Class Class of '69. She graduated from Wingate High School in Brooklyn, New York in 1970. Jewel attended Pitt Community College and received an Associate Degree in General Office Technology. She worked at the Department of Veterans Administration in Washington, DC for over twenty five years.

Jewel Faye

was an active member of The Temple of Praise Church in Washington, DC, which she served as a Deaconess, under the leadership of Bishop Glen Staples. Jewel Faye loved cooking, shopping and spending time with her family and friends.

Jewel Faye

was preceded in death by her sister, Delores Taft Vaughn; brother, Kenneth Ray Taft; and special niece, Tiffany Monique Vaughn.

Jewel Faye

leaves to cherish her memories her loving sister, Agnes Taft Luster (Leon Jr.) of Baltimore, MD; brother, Melvin Lee Taft (Michelle) of Baltimore, MD; aunt, Effie Taft of Greenville, NC; nephews, Leon Luster III of Lawton, OK, Ryan Luster of Baltimore, MD and Kenny Taft of Baltimore, MD; nieces, Kennett Taft of Tampa, FL and Janai Taft of Tampa, FL; goddaughter, Keisha Council Barrett; special friends, Belinda McLawhorn Gallop, Kathryn Maye, Mary Stanley Heartley, Dorothy Wilkes Addison, Lillie Boyd and Carolyn Barnhill Pridgen; like a niece, Tula Maye Garris; great nephews, great nieces and a host of cousins, relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street  
Greenville, NC 27858

# Previous Events

## Viewing

OCT **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Progressive Free Will Baptist Church  
1503 Hooker Road  
Greenville, NC

## Celebration of Life Service

OCT **10**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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1503 Hooker Road  
Greenville, NC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Crystal Wilson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



**Crystal Wilson** - October 16, 2020 at 11:25 AM



“ *It was hard to stay down when Jewel Faye Taft was around. You could just kiss that "down in the dumps" state of mind good riddance! Her distinctive laugh would lift you up to a higher plane. Rest in Eternal Peace, my dear classmate of '70!*

*Veronica Coburn Burch*

**Veronica C. Burch** - October 13, 2020 at 11:42 AM

VC

“ My sincere condolences to the Taft Knight family! I have known Jewel for years. We were members of The Temple of Praise. She was ALWAYS the same every time I seen her and she greeted each other every time we saw each other! She was very quiet and the epitome of class! I admired her style she was definitely a woman of great price! I pray your strength in your time of bereavement and please know that she was a precious JEWEL to those she encountered! Many blessings to you, Elder Veleria Coley Washington DC

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**Veleria Coley** - October 11, 2020 at 10:50 PM

RW

“ Ramona W. Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



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**Ramona W. Williams** - October 10, 2020 at 11:34 AM

DJ

“ Darlene Jeffries lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



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**Darlene Jeffries** - October 10, 2020 at 09:17 AM

GD

“ I will miss you.

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**Geraldine Donaldson** - October 09, 2020 at 10:59 PM

PT

“ *Pansy Taft-Butkowski lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Pansy Taft-Butkowski** - October 09, 2020 at 09:59 PM

JJ

“ *The Greenville Industrial - C M Eppes High Alumni Association sends our collective condolences to the Taft- Knight family at the homegoing of Jewel Faye.*

*Jewel was her name and a Jewel she was. The dictionary defines a Jewel as a precious or semi-precious stone, a gem. That defines Jewel Faye from her early years up to until when God called her home.*

*She would return to Greenville for the Eppes Annual Reunion in support of this Association and bring that constant smile and that Silver Hair. The hair earned her the nickname of "Silver Fox."*

*Always a lady of grace and charm, she would bring joy into a room as she greeted you with a hello, and it is so good to see you. Spend a few minutes with her and she would tell you about how good God had been to her and to all of us.*

*As she joins that host of Eppes Alumni in the sky, we know that she is smiling, singing, and praising the Lord for her journey. We thank Him for sending her our way for many a year and many good memories.*

*Family don't worry about the Jewel, because as she would say, "I got this." Remember love conquers all and God's love for Jewel has brought her home to rest.*

*We already miss her but know that she is in that better place. No more sorrow or pain, just peaceful gardens filled with Jewels.*

*Respectfully,*

*James Harper, Jr.  
National President*

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**JAMES HARPER JR** - October 09, 2020 at 09:21 PM

MM

“ *Jewel Faye was like my sister I going to miss her she was family rest in peace my sister*

Michael Mclawhorn - October 09, 2020 at 09:20 PM

LS

“ *Leah Sparkman lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



Leah Sparkman - October 09, 2020 at 09:26 AM

RK

“ *Jewel Faye and I have been good friends for many years. She has always been Jewel, stylish, genuine, warm, and friendly, just a very nice person.*



*REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND.*

Ronald Kimber - October 08, 2020 at 06:59 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight.*



October 08, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ *Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight.*



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October 08, 2020 at 05:18 PM



“ *Jewel, I will miss your wisdom, your style, and our conversations. I will forever hold you in my heart. Rest in paradise.*



*-Mia Ragland-Weems*

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**Mia Ragland-Weems** - October 08, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ *Johnny And LaVette Ford lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Johnny and LaVette Ford** - October 08, 2020 at 03:29 PM



“ *Jewel was a friend, colleague, and font of wisdom grounded in faith. Her absence is felt deeply as she touched so many lives for the better. May her memory be eternal.*

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**Joseph Francis** - October 08, 2020 at 10:13 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight.*



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October 08, 2020 at 10:05 AM



“ *My condolences to the family of Jewel Knight . It was my greatest joy to know her during my time at VHA. She mothered us all.*



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**Carla Cassidy** - October 07, 2020 at 06:47 PM



“ *Carol Powells And Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Carol Powells and Family** - October 06, 2020 at 10:26 PM



“ *My condolences to the family of Jewel Faye Taft. Jewel and I friendship begin back in the 80's at Pitt Community College. Jewel, Ivory and myself would have lunch on campus together. Jewel always making me laugh about something. A good and dear friend that will never be forgotten. Rest In Peace Jewel.*



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**Ruth Hardy** - October 06, 2020 at 05:00 PM

AT

“ *Ms Jewel Knight will be deeply missed by her colleagues at the VA, where she walked in faith every day, sharing her wisdom in her characteristically open and humorous way. A woman of integrity and a deep heart. Blessings to her family and friends, and my deep condolences ~*

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**Alison Tshikosi** - October 06, 2020 at 04:29 PM

BN

“ *Belinda Newton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Belinda Newton** - October 06, 2020 at 02:41 PM

JY

“ *Jianji Yang lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Jianji Yang** - October 06, 2020 at 11:42 AM

MH

“ Thanking God everyday for memories that we can cherish... To the family of Jewel Faye Taft, my sincere condolences to you all and I pray God’s comfort to you during this time. Jewel Faye was my Facebook friend and I loved it when she would hit me up with “thank you for that encouragement!” Glad that I was able to make picture memories during the 2019 Eppes Alumni worship service. Rest on in Him my friend and thanks for the memories



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**Muriel Jones Hines** - October 06, 2020 at 11:32 AM

KK

“ Kelley Kubic lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



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**Kelley Kubic** - October 06, 2020 at 09:37 AM

PJ

“ To the family of Jewell, whenever I saw Jewell, she always greeted me with a smile. Very nice and pleasant personality. I did not work with Jewell, but working at the VA, she was a co-worker. My deepest sympathy. Earth has no sorrow, that Heaven cannot heal.

*Pat Johnson.*

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**Pat Johnson** - October 06, 2020 at 09:35 AM

JA

*Jewell was a woman with a kind and beautiful personality. She greeted you with a delightful smile. She will be greatly missed. Rest in the arms of Jesus. Juanita Anderson*

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**Juanita Anderson** - October 07, 2020 at 12:45 PM

PJ

“ *Pat Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Pat Johnson** - October 06, 2020 at 09:32 AM

SS

“ *Sonya Skinker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Sonya Skinker** - October 06, 2020 at 09:25 AM

 Yvette Wilkins

“ *I worked with Jewel and she loved to cook and would feed the entire office chicken salad! She even taught me two key ingredients to add to my cornbread. She was fly and loved her matching eyewear! She'll be truly missed!*



*RIP  
Yvette*

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**Yvette Wilkins** - October 06, 2020 at 09:23 AM

AR

“ *Aileen Rheault lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Aileen Rheault** - October 06, 2020 at 08:00 AM

DS

“ *Rest in Peace dear Jewel. I worked with Jewel for several years. She was a "jewel". You will be missed. Prayers and deepest sympathies to your family.*



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**Debbie Sweitzer** - October 06, 2020 at 07:58 AM

BG

“ *Jew-el as I called her lately. What a blessing to have had her as my best friend for over 60 years. We go back from youth, to teenagers and now adulthood.*



*I am so grateful we had the chance to spend time together during the 4th of July weekend. We had a great time.*

*Rest on Jew-el. I love you but God loves you the best.*

*Forever your friend,*

*Belinda McLawhorn Gallop  
"Lin"*

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**Belinda McLawhorn Gallop** - October 05, 2020 at 08:08 PM

BT

“ Our hearts were sadden when we heard of Deaconess Jewel transition. Jewel will truly be missed.



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**Betty Taylor** - October 05, 2020 at 07:38 PM

Y,

“ Jew Faye. I was looking at some pictures of us in your kitchen on Davis street. Back in the day, wearing those tube tops We shared a lot of laughs. I remember how clean you kept that blue car. We rode the wheels off. So much fun! We laughed a lot in those days, life was good! Rest well Jewel. God has you in his eternal care.



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**Your Classmate ,Gloria** - October 05, 2020 at 06:18 PM

PA

“ Jewell loved cooking and sharing her dishes with us at the office. I will always remember her smile. Phillipa a co-worker at VA's Office of General Counsel



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**Phillipa L. Anderson** - October 05, 2020 at 05:29 PM

JP

“ To the Taft Family,  
Words can't express what is in our heart's.  
What a blessing it is too know we will always  
have good memories of Jew faye living side  
by side on Davis St. Please be comforted in  
knowing that our family prayers are with you. May God continue to  
bless all of us. Prayer fully yours.



Love The Daniels Sister's,  
Ann Daniels, Bernice Daniels Forbes, Jean Daniels Proctor Helen  
Daniels Teel

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**Jean Proctor** - October 04, 2020 at 09:42 PM

JP

“ Jean Proctor lit a candle in memory of Ms.  
Jewel Faye Knight



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**Jean Proctor** - October 04, 2020 at 06:00 PM

BW

“ Ben WOOTEN lit a candle in memory of Ms.  
Jewel Faye Knight



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**Ben WOOTEN** - October 04, 2020 at 02:33 AM

JQ

“ Sending my condolences to the family. May God continue to comfort your. Blessing. Jane/Temple of Praise Church

jane queen - October 03, 2020 at 10:35 PM

JP

“ To the Taft Family, Words can't express what is in our hearts. What a blessing it is to know we will always have good memories of Jew Faye living side by side on Davis St. Please be comforted in knowing that our family prayers are with you. May God continue to bless all of us. Pray full yours,

The Daniels Sister's

Ann Daniels, Bernice Daniels Forbes, Jean Daniels Proctor, Helen Daniels Teels



Jean Proctor - October 03, 2020 at 01:42 PM

C,

Test In Jesus' care.

Classmate ,Gloria - October 05, 2020 at 06:29 PM

DA

“ Rest In Peace my dear friend. Memories of you are forever. We love you and will truly miss your visits and conversations. Thanks for spending time with my mother. I will cherish those times.

Dorothy Wilkes Addison - October 03, 2020 at 12:33 PM

LS

Jewel.....you will be missed. Lillie Smallwood (Veterans Affairs)

Lillie Smallwood - October 06, 2020 at 09:48 AM

RS

“ *Rene Sutton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Rene Sutton** - October 02, 2020 at 12:27 PM

JY

“ *James [ Boot] Yarrell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**James [ Boot] Yarrell** - October 01, 2020 at 08:15 AM

EH

“ *Evangelist Gwen Hudson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight*



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**Evangelist Gwen Hudson** - October 01, 2020 at 07:36 AM

PP

“ Taft Family, as I refer to my cousin, Jewel Faye, in the past tense my heart aches. I have such fond memories of times spent with her during our youth, then reconnecting later during Eppes Reunions. Although we didn't talk regularly, the "cuz love" was always there. I've reflected on the last time our class reunion worshipped together at Wells Chapel, where she and I praised God together. What a time!!

Family, may we find comfort in our Heavenly Father as we reflect on the many precious memories Jewel Faye has left us.

Phyllis Taft Price (cuz & classmate)  
Charlotte, NC

Phyllis Taft Price - September 30, 2020 at 11:53 PM

DV

“ With deepest sympathy to the Taft Family



Diane Price-Hampton, Va - September 30, 2020 at 11:31 PM



“ Elizabeth Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



Elizabeth Gilbert - September 30, 2020 at 07:29 PM

OA

May you rest in peace. Praying for the family and friends.

Olive Armwood - October 04, 2020 at 09:35 AM

CP

“ Craig Parker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



Craig Parker - September 30, 2020 at 04:36 PM

CP

“ Craig Parker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



Craig Parker - September 30, 2020 at 04:26 PM

BN

“ Betty Nurse lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



Betty Nurse - September 30, 2020 at 11:12 AM

BA

“ Beatrice Atkinson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



Beatrice Atkinson - September 30, 2020 at 08:01 AM

JS

“ Jeffrey Savage lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jewel Faye Knight



Jeffrey Savage - September 30, 2020 at 07:56 AM

EH

“ Praying That God Continue To Comfort And Strengthen The Family 🙏

Evangelist Gwen Hudson - September 30, 2020 at 07:47 AM

CD

“ To the Taft/KnightFamily, we the C.M. Eppes 1969 Junior Class Are praying for you during this time of sorrow. You have our deepest condolences. Theodore Gray & Classmates.



Connie Daniels-Brown - September 29, 2020 at 09:35 PM

CS

“ Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolence on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - September 29, 2020 at 11:53 AM

DT

Prayers are with the family of Jewel Faye, she will be missed.  
Dee and Doug Tyson

Delores Tyson - September 30, 2020 at 11:17 PM