



## Jessie Mae Rice

May 20, 1936 - September 13, 2022

Jessie Mae Rice, loving wife and mother of six children entered her day of rest on September 13, 2022 at the age of 86. Jessie was born in Spartanburg, South Carolina to the late James B. Miller and Rosa B. Hicks on May 20, 1936.

Throughout her many years, she had the opportunity to travel many places including Africa, Spain, Italy, Puerto Rico and France where she proudly worked for a Foster Care Agency. In addition to traveling, she had various hobbies including bowling, bingo, knitting, gambling (Cha-ching), and cooking. She will always be famous for her macaroni and cheese recipe (YUM). And Did I mention "Go Broncos"!!

She spent much of her time as a prestigious member of The Retired Enlisted Association for over 25 years where she served as a national TREA board member and Chapter three auxiliary President.

Jessie was spunky, funny, and a dedicated, loving mother to all who knew her, especially her children who were her greatest love of all. She cherished time with her family and friends the most.

She is preceded in death by her parents, sister Gwen Thomas, and brother Benjamin Miller.

Jessie leaves to continue a wonderful legacy of love and laughter, to her loving husband, Collins D. Rice Jr., six children: Roxanne (Barbara), Denise, Colleen Gray, Collins III (Freddi), Terri Wilson, Sean (Jocelyn), bonus child Kyishara Brown and brother Ron Miller, along with 11 grandchildren and a host of great grandchildren AND relatives and friends who will miss her dearly.

Honorary Pallbearers:

Charles J Wilson Jr

Christopher D Wilson

Adrian J Gray

Marcus D Rice

Travon Gray

Cameron I Wilson

# Previous Events

## Service

SEP 26. 1:00 PM (MT)

Ballard Family Mortuary, LLC  
6700 Smith Rd  
Denver, CO 80207  
(303) 963-5779

*Service to Conclude.*

# Tribute Wall

BG

“ *Family of Jessie Mae Rice.  
I remember our gatherings when C.D. & Jessie visited Las Vegas. Keeping you in prayer as Jessie has transitioned to a better place.*

*Beatrice Rice Geter*

Bea Geter - September 26, 2022 at 12:48 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jessie Mae Rice.*



September 24, 2022 at 07:45 PM

LM

“ *Love, Brother Ronald Miller purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jessie Mae Rice.*



Love, Brother Ronald Miller - September 23, 2022 at 12:26 PM

RS

“ *Ruby Smoots-Harris lit a candle in memory of Jessie Mae Rice*



Ruby Smoots-Harris - September 20, 2022 at 06:28 PM

RS

“ *Jessie, I will miss you. The time that I spent with you will always be cherished.  
Ruby Smoots-Harris, Chapter 3 Auxiliary President.*

Ruby Smoots-Harris - September 20, 2022 at 06:28 PM

DW

“ So sorry for your loss. My sincere condolences. My thoughts & prayers are with you. God Bless. Denise Williams (TREA).

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**Denise Williams** - September 20, 2022 at 06:27 PM