



Juliette Stephens Hamilton

March 25, 1918 - November 8, 2022

Legacy of Love

Juliette Stephens Hamilton, passed away on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. She was born on March 25, 1918, in Henrico County, Virginia to the late Olivia and Ernest Stephens. Juliette graduated from Armstrong High School in 1936, attended Virginia Union University from 1936-37, and Virginia State College for Negroes (Virginia State University), 1937-38. She was an active citizen, volunteer, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother.

In April 1942 she married Master Sergeant Alcus Hamilton (Ret.), a WWII veteran, who predeceased her. With wedding dress in hand, she traveled to Tacoma, Washington for the ceremony and later joined him in Guam. Of this union were born two children, Alcus Hamilton, Jr. (Sherry) and Carmen Hamilton Bell.

In 1961, she enrolled in the Licensed Practical Nurse Program and did her practicum at MCV and St. Phillip Hospitals. In 1962, she graduated in the top five of her class to become a Licensed Practical Nurse. Juliette worked as a Nurses Aid at Richmond Memorial Hospital from 1955-61, as well as a School Guard for the Richmond Police Force from 1955-61, and a License Practical Nurse from 1962-1982.

It was important to Juliette to be a responsible citizen, socially, politically, and financially. In addition to her parents, she was greatly influenced as a child by Maggie Walker, embracing the mantra “Pay yourself every month as if it were a bill!” She was also a faithful member of Second Baptist Church since age 13; most notably, serving for several years on the Finance Committee. Juliette also advocated “seeing the world,” as a Travelaires Club member she traveled all over the US, Europe, Canada, and the Caribbean.

Upon her retirement in 1982, she became actively involved in various volunteer initiatives, which she actively participated in until her illness slowed her down in April 2021. These activities included: TRIAD Senior Citizens Police Academy and the Neighborhood Assistance Officer (NAO). Upon graduation from the Academy it was not uncommon to see her about town, donned in her uniform, patrolling in a Richmond Police vehicle; AARP; and the Washington Park Civic League.

She was a steady force, who like many black females of her era, was discriminated against, however, she fought relentlessly to overcome. She was a trailblazer who pulled herself up by the bootstraps, choosing not to seek the limelight but, instead, served as a grassroots volunteer to enhance the quality of life through her volunteer efforts with children and the elderly in particular; and just being a solid “good citizen”.

Juliette S. Hamilton was a self-sufficient woman, who at 104, still managed her finances, occasionally baked and exercised (laps around the house). Surprisingly, she stopped driving at the age of 102. Her life experiences spanned from witnessing the evolution of TV to having video calls with her family; from seeing the ravages of the Spanish Flu to that of the Corona Virus; and from participating in the rise of the Civil Rights Movement to witnessing the inauguration of the first Black President.

Juliette leaves to cherish her loving memory, children, Alcus E. Hamilton Jr. and Carmen H. Bell; grandchildren, Tawanda Hamilton, Shawne Green, Crystal Burson, Leigh Williams, Barry Bell, Gary Hamilton, Alcus E. Hamilton III, and Alicia Cordovano; a host of great and great-great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

NOV 18. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of Life with live streaming

NOV 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Interment at Quantico National Cemetery

NOV 23. 12:30 PM (ET)

Quantico National Cemetery
18424 Joplin Road
Triangle, VA 22172

Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Juliette Stephens Hamilton, Please Click the Link below. in memory of Juliette Stephens Hamilton*



March Funeral Homes - November 11, 2022 at 05:38 PM

RJ

I love you Aunt Ju. Your tender smile and look of wonder kept you young at heart. May you rest easy. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

Rita Johnson - November 14, 2022 at 10:35 AM

MR

Mrs. Hamilton was a very special lady whose kindness and love touched many persons as she traveled through her 104 years of a wonderful life. I was blessed to have had the opportunity of being her NAO partner on many assignments during the years she served faithfully as a Neighborhood Assistance Officer. She will be missed but never forgotten.
NAO Moe

Maurice R. Rice - November 16, 2022 at 05:02 PM

AT

To our Dear Friend and Adopted Family Member To an Eloquent, Graceful, and lady full of knowledge. We will miss you always. Our memories of you go way back. You and my Uncle Louis Bailey graduated in the top graduating class of Armstrong. My father Robert (Bob) Washington your brother Earnest Stephens also graduated in the top Senior Class of Armstrong. I will also remember the knowledge and good advice you gave me through the years. My daughter and I will always hold a special place in our hearts for you.

Missing you Always, Robin Washington and Alisha Thomas

Alisha Thomas - November 16, 2022 at 05:04 PM

SG

“ *Carmen and Family, I was Saddened to learn of your Mother's passing. She was an Inspiration to All. May God Comfort And Keep You*
Shirley Green.

Shirley Green - November 18, 2022 at 06:07 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Juliette Stephens Hamilton.*



November 17, 2022 at 02:01 PM

SB

“ I am a dear friend of Denise Jones for over 37 years. We have been apart of our "ARIES CLUB", for just as long all ♈ ladies getting together annually, 2018 Denise called just getting of the phone with her Aunt and talking about us it was our "ARIES SEASON" and she ask Aunty if she wanted to be a honors member ❤️ ? And she said yes, so Denise, Marie and I came Richmond to meet Aunty. This was her 199th Birthday, So Super Special, right, so I had to pick out something Spendiid for her that she might didn't have so an Obama Coffee Mug. Wrapped in a gift bag. As we enter her lovely home. She asked us to sit, and the wonder, amazement and joy of this PHENOMENONAL Aunty began to unfold. A world of wonder and story telling. She was rich with unbelievable stories, I just watched her in shock and amazement. Waiting with baited breath on the next story to unfold. Next one was more exciting than the first. I was in LOVE 😍 THE JOKES HER LAUGHTER WAS SO YOUTHFUL I felt like was looking into a dream, but only it was really was a gift given to me, "A SLICE OF HEAVEN"! PHENOMENONAL WOMAN I WILL MISS YOU UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN, BIG LOVE AND HUGS! FEEL IN LOVE WITH AN ANGEL THAT DAY!!! 🙌💖

Shandon Brown-Jones - November 17, 2022 at 01:47 AM

RG

“ Carmen - I so enjoyed my Wednesday afternoons with your Mother. I will miss her laughter and her challenging me to finish the word puzzles in the newspaper. I know you must miss her greatly. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. Love, Posy

Rosemary "Posy" Green - November 16, 2022 at 09:33 PM

HS

“ Her NAO Brothers & Sisters purchased the Full O f Love Bouquet for the family of Juliette Stephens Hamilton.



Her NAO Brothers & Sisters - November 16, 2022 at 04:36 PM

DC

“ Ms. Hamilton was a remarkable lady and historian! She could tell you many things about life! She was an asset to the Richmond Police Department and supporter of our programs and her community. God bless you! We will be praying for the family!

Donald Cook - November 15, 2022 at 12:56 PM

MN

“ Mrs. Juliette Stephens Hamilton was a wonderful, phenomenal lady born ahead of her time. She was a pioneer for civil and human rights, loved and was passionate about her historical community Washington Park. Her mind and intellect far surpassed her contemporaries and many of those considered to be her junior. She remembered facts and dates many of us were not aware of. The Washington Park Civic Association loved her and held her in high esteem. There is an emptiness that has been created among us with her leaving and transitioning into heaven. Her memories are always with us. I, personally, will miss our eternal chats about community history and family. It was she who told me that her great-grandmother was second wife and married to my great-great grandfather so we became "step-cousins" as we affectionately called one another. Our condolences to her devoted daughter, Ms. Carmen Bell, brother and grandson with other family and many friends.

Mrs. Brenda Dabney Nichols - November 14, 2022 at 11:11 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Juliette Stephens Hamilton.



November 13, 2022 at 02:21 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Juliette Stephens Hamilton.



November 13, 2022 at 01:08 PM



“ Our deepest sympathies to the family on the loss of a matriarch. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.



Mamie White - November 13, 2022 at 09:41 AM



“ Wow: what a loss/ I will Always remember her and her parents/ they taught me a lot! From:Howard Smith jr

Howard Smith jr - November 13, 2022 at 04:25 AM

JM

“ Laughter makes the heart grow fonder and that indeed you did. You were always full of laughter telling your jokes to everyone, and I enjoyed listening trying to learn something from a "PRO." Thank God for laughter because it fills your heart with happiness and joy. Rest in peace little lady and I thank God for letting you be a part of my life.



Jautena Fauntleroy. WPCA member - November 12, 2022 at 06:17 PM

NI

“ Sending my love ❤️ & prayers to the family. It was my pleasure of taking care of this beautiful, outgoing, independent, lovable, woman (grandmother) who grew on me as soon as we met. Thank you & Ms. Carmen for all the love and support you showed. We grew a bond that I'll never forget. Fly high my angel 😊 keep watching over us all. I love ❤️💕 you, tell my grandmother hi and I love 💕 her to!!!



Nikia - November 12, 2022 at 12:14 AM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - November 11, 2022 at 03:43 PM