



Iris Cooper

October 30, 1942 - March 4, 2022

Iris Newsome Cooper was born in Ahoskie, North Carolina on October 30, 1942, to Henry and Symera Newsome Cooper.

She attended Robert L. Vann School in Ahoskie, in all grades one through twelve. As an elementary school student, she studied the piano and flute. During high school years Iris was on the staff of the newspaper, "School Occurrences", and the Year Book, "The Trojan". She was a member of the High School Library Club.

Iris became a member of the New Ahoskie Baptist Church in her early adolescent years. She played the piano in support of the Junior Church Choir. After graduating from high school in 1960, Iris attended North Carolina Central University. She graduated in 1964 with a degree in Spanish. Later, she received a Master Degree from Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. The professional career of Iris was teaching in the Language Department of the Portsmouth, VA educational system. On occasion, she participated in field trips with staff and students. They all enjoyed the exiting experience of observing foreign cultures.

Iris was a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church, Portsmouth, VA. She joined the Women's Service League, Intercessory Prayer Ministry, and several other organizations. Also she played piano on the 5th Sunday for the Sunday school. In addition to her Church affiliation, Iris was involved in many other community organizations. Iris was a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

Left to cherish her memory her brother Glen Cooper, dear friends Dr. Gracie H. & Deacon Walter Saunders, and many dear cousins, relatives, church members, friends, and co-workers.

Previous Events

Burial

MAR 10. 3:00 PM (ET)

Hillcrest Cemetery
120 Ahoskie Cofield Road
Ahoskie, NC 27910

Tribute Wall



“ *Iris Cooper*

January 28, 2023 at 07:47 AM



“ *My condolences and prayers for the family of Iris Cooper. Iris is very fondly remembered as a classmate of the 1964 graduating class from North Carolina College (now North Carolina Central University), Durham. I will always cherish the time we spent together in 2014 at our 50th class reunion. Her kind and uplifting spirit will live forever in my heart.*

Dr. Vernaline Watson - March 18, 2022 at 10:35 AM



Deepest condolences to Glen and family. The Coopers were neighbor and friends to our family.

Lil Newsome Eaves - March 18, 2022 at 11:40 AM



“ *Condolences to Newsome Cooper family. Linda P. Harrell - Jones Family.*



Corelette Harrell Smith - March 11, 2022 at 02:36 AM

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“ *My condolences go out to you Glen in the loss of your dear sister. Iris was always excited to see me every time I saw her. We enjoyed catching up on news of family members of mine she had known. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.*

Jewel Brown Mitchell - March 10, 2022 at 11:13 AM