



## Mrs. Mary Jacobs

February 5, 1933 - August 10, 2023

Mary Louise Jacobs was born on February 5, 1933, born to Ethel and Russell Jenkins, Sr. Mary was the oldest of four children. From an early age, Mary's faith was a guiding force in her life, as she accepted Christ at Turner Monumental AME Church and later made Saint Mark AME Church her cherished home. Education played a pivotal role in Mary's journey, as she attended Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School for her elementary education. As a proud graduate of David T. Howard High School, class of 1951, Mary's thirst for knowledge led her to Morris Brown College, where she pursued a degree in education. At Morris Brown College, Mary met the love of her life, Daniel W Jacobs, Sr. On June 4, 1955, they embarked on a lifelong journey together, bound by love and shared dreams. Mary's dedication to shaping young minds led her to a fulfilling career in teaching. Starting in 1955, she dedicated herself to the Atlanta Public School System, leaving an indelible impact on

the lives of countless students. Mary's passion for the arts extended beyond the classroom, as she founded the Jacobs School of Dance in the late 1970s. For over 50 years, she nurtured and inspired young dancers, exposing them to the beauty of dance across the globe. From Paris, France, to New York City, and even Mexico, Mary's students experienced the transformative power of dance in various cultural landscapes.

Mary's legacy lives on through those who loved and admired her journey through life. She leaves her memories to be treasured by her loving and devoted husband of 68 years, Reverend Dr.

Daniel W Jacobs, Sr., a faithful sister, Vicki Tilman (Jerry), a loving sister-in-law, Betty

Copeland; three devoted children; sons, Daniel W Jacobs, Jr. ( Donna), Reginald E. Jacobs Sr.

(Brenda), daughter Dana Michelle Jacobs; grandchildren Daniel W Jacobs III, Demarcus Jacobs,

Micheal Jacobs Sr., Reginald Jacobs Jr., Crystal Jacobs, Joshua Jacobs; great-grandchildren

Micaiah Jacobs and Micheal Jacobs Jr., and a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

As we celebrate Mary's life, we honor her enduring spirit and the love she shared with all who

knew her. Her legacy lives on through the countless lives she touched as an educator and a

mentor. Mary Louise Jacobs will forever be remembered for her unwavering dedication to the

arts, her commitment to education, and her loving presence in the lives of her

family and friends.

Let us come together to celebrate her remarkable journey and the joy she brought to all those

who had the privilege of knowing her.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

South DeKalb Chapel  
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy.  
Decatur, GA 30034  
(404) 241-5656  
info@levettfuneralhome.com

## Visitation

AUG 19. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Mark AME Church  
3605 Campbellton Rd SW  
Atlanta, GA 30331

## Celebration of Life

AUG 19. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Mark AME Church  
3605 Campbellton Rd SW  
Atlanta, GA 30331

# Tribute Wall

RG

“ Reverend Philis Griffin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Jacobs



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Reverend Philis Griffin - August 21, 2023 at 02:30 PM

RG

“ To Dean Jacob's and family. Two days ago I learned that your beloved Mary passed. Please accept my sincere condolence and synonyms during this difficult season. Mary was a precious jewel, and such a classy woman of God. She was a humble and faithful educator, who always wore a smile on her face. My fondest memory of Mary Jacobs was when she accompanied her husband and several seminaries to a food tasting of the menu for Dr. Jacobs retirement as President/Dean of Turner Theological Seminary at the ITC. She looked so elegant and beautiful.

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Reverend Philis Griffin - August 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM

DD

“ On behalf of the Burge family we offer our heartfelt condolences to you and family. Wishing you comfort, peace and strength in this difficult time.

*Deborah Burge Dunn*

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Deborah B Dunn - August 19, 2023 at 10:01 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Jacobs.*



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August 18, 2023 at 04:20 PM



“ *I Thank God for Mrs. Mary Jacobs, a beautiful spirit inside and out who loved children and left a tremendous impact in changing the trajectory of all of our lives, especially mine, in the art of dancing and performance. I am always Happy to say, that I am an Alum of the The Jacobs Dance Academy, where it all started at the age of 7years old. I am who I am today because Mrs. Jacobs open the doors of the Art of Dance which transformed my life and gave me a greater appreciation of the Art still today. She embraced her students with Love which made a significant impact as well as serving as the 1st Lady of Allen Temple A.M.E. Church where she taught us to Love and Serve God with our hearts. Well Done thy Good and Faithful Servant, your Legacy will Live On Forever.*

*As you walk the streets, paved with Gold, May you continue to dance for Jesus...Love You Mrs. Mary Jacobs.*

*Natasha McClure Smith*

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**Natasha McClure Smith** - August 18, 2023 at 02:07 PM

LF

“ Lucille Kannick and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Mary Jacobs.



Lucille Kannick and Family - August 18, 2023 at 02:06 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Jacobs.



August 18, 2023 at 12:16 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Jacobs.



August 18, 2023 at 11:15 AM

GW

“ Gerald W. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Mary Jacobs.



Gerald W. - August 17, 2023 at 07:23 PM

TK

“ Our prayers are with the Jacob's family and God will wipe all tears from your eyes. We love you all. Knight family



Tammy Knight-Parks - August 17, 2023 at 04:45 PM

CP

“ Catherine P. purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Mrs. Mary Jacobs.



Catherine P. - August 17, 2023 at 02:08 PM

CP

“ Catherine P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Mary Jacobs.

Catherine P. - August 17, 2023 at 02:08 PM

RY

“ My sincere condolences to the Jacobs family. Praying for Strength and comfort! 🙏❤️

Rev.Richard A Yancey - August 17, 2023 at 09:20 AM