



## Mrs. Thoymmee Phillips

January 31, 1927 - June 12, 2013

THOYMMEE D. SADBERRY PHILLIPS

### FAMILY

- Joseph Robert Phillips, Husband (deceased)
- Dr. Jacqueline Y. Phillips-Haynes, Daughter
- Dr. Secceter Yolanda P. Jones, Daughter
- Tameisha D. Haynes, Granddaughter
- Shawntrese M. Haynes-Russel (Jeremias), Granddaughter
- Sharhonda L. Jones, Granddaughter
- Kamille Y. Adams, Great Granddaughter
- Kameron J. Russell, Great Granddaughter

### CURRENT OCCUPATION

- Retired-Early Childhood Administrator

### EDUCATION

- Blackshear High School  
Hearne, Texas  
High School Diploma
- Prairie View A&M University  
Prairie View, Texas  
BS, MS

Additional Study:

- Texas A&M University

College Station, Texas

- Southwest Texas State University

San Marcos, Texas

- University of Texas

Austin, Texas

CHURCH/RELIGIOUS AFFILIATIONS

- Saint Martin DePorres Catholic Church

Prairie View, Texas

- Saint Katherine Drexel Catholic Church

Hempstead, Texas

ORGANIZATIONS/AFFILIATIONS

- Catholic Daughters of America

- Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Life Member

- National Retired Teachers of America

- Texas Retired Teachers Association

- Panther A&M University Athletic Booster Club

- Prairie View A&M University Alumni Association, Life Member

- Top Ladies of Distinction

- Prairie View Chamber of Commerce

- St. Vincent De Paul

- All Faith Chapel Board

- NARO Member (Local and National)

- CO-OP

- Kindergarten Teachers of Texas

- Small Farmers Association

- TSPE Women's Auxiliary
- National Council of Negro Women
- Prairie View A&M University Credit Union, Auditor
- Former Tamias, Former Secretary: Epsilon Lambda Zeta Chapter Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., Life Member
- Former President, Past Vice-President: Kiwanis Club
- Former President, Local TSTA
- Second Vice President and Charter Member of Prairie View Chamber of Commerce
- Former Treasurer: Top Ladies of Distinction
- Chairman of Senior Citizens Health Awareness
- Former Chairman, Supervisory Committee for Prairie View Credit Union
- Corresponding Secretary, Retired Teachers
- Corresponding Secretary Local Alumni Chapter
- Former Reagent, Catholic Daughters of America

#### HONORS/AWARDS

- Who's Who in America Education
- International Directory of Distinguished Leadership
- Who's Who Among Human Service Professionals
- 5000 Personalities of The World
- Outstanding Prairie View A&M University Alumnus
- Alumni Association Award-Largest Family Attending Prairie View A&M University
- Recognized by Chamber of Commerce for Community Service, 1996
- Catholic Daughter of the Year Award, 1994
- Recognized for Largest Number of Volunteer Hours for Prairie View Unit Retired Teachers
- Recognized for Keeping Farm Land for Over 100 Years by the State of Texas
- Founder, Joseph R. Phillips and Thoymmee Sadberry Scholarship Fund

- 2009 NWOA Profiles and Prominence Honoree

Thoymmee Dell Sadberry Phillips, the 5th child of Heslip and Lillie Sadberry, was born on January 31, 1927 in Benchley, Texas.

Thoymmee Phillips' education was received at the Dorsey Loughridge School in Benchley, Texas; Blackshear High School in Hearne, Texas. She earned her Bachelors and Masters Degrees from Prairie View A&M University.

Thoymmee believed education was paramount for success in life, and continued her education at Texas A&M University, S.W. Texas State, and the University of Texas in Austin. She also taught for 10 years in the Smithville School system. Prior to that, she was a Western Union Switchboard Operator at Prairie View A&M University.

Thoymmee Phillips was very active in the Prairie View community and the local Catholic Parish. She was a member of the Prairie View Chamber of Commerce (charter member), the PVAMU Alumni Association (Life Member), the PVAMU Athletic and Band Booster Club, the Catholic Daughters of America, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. (Life Member), the Texas Retired Teachers Association, and a member of St. Vincent de Paul Society. During her active life she was honored by various organizations including Who's Who In American Education, as Catholic Daughter of the Year, and as an Outstanding PVAMU Alumnus.

Thoymmee loved being active in her community, parish and with her university; however, her greatest love was for her family and friends. She met and married Professor Joseph R. Phillips at Prairie View A&M University and it was there they raised their two daughters, Jacqueline and Secceter. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Joseph, and sisters, Mabel,

Majorie, Alpearl, and Eunell. She leaves to cherish her memory, a sister Carolyn Joyce Brown (Charles), a brother Heslip Sadberry, daughters Jacqueline Phillips-Haynes and Secceter Jones, granddaughters, Tameisha Haynes, Shawntrese Haynes Russell (Jeremias), and Sharhonda Jones, and great-granddaughters Kameron and Kamille as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and the many “adopted” sons and daughters of her Prairie View family. Her bright smile and positive attitude will be missed by all who knew her. She would always say, “We sure enjoyed you” and that she did.

In her memory, and in lieu of flowers, the family requests that you make donations to the Joseph R. Phillips and Thoymmee Dell Sadberry Scholarship Fund (P O Box 896, Prairie View, Texas 77446) for Engineering and Education students at Prairie View A&M University.

# Cemetery Details

## Prairie View Cemetery

Prairie View, TX 77446

# Previous Events

## Wake

JUN 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Phillip All Faiths Chapel  
Campus of Prairie View A&M University  
Prairie View, TX 77446

## Mass

JUN 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

St' Katharine Drexel Catholic Church  
800 Fm 1488  
Hempstead, TX 77445

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Thoymmee Phillips*

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January 28, 2023 at 11:58 AM