



Davis Lyons Jones



When I graduated from Phillips High School in 1958 I was a young girl filled with many hopes and dreams that I planned to achieve in my life's journey. I moved to Philadelphia, PA and attended the former William Penn Business Institute a community college. In fact, Maurieta Cozart, Loretta Mack Watson, and I were classmates at William Penn also. We left our sheltered lives in NC, innocent and eager to experience life in the big city. We graduated and entered the real world of working and learning to be independent. From this stage of life, our life developments and journeys enabled us to develop into strong women who clung to our values and achieved our goals. I could hear Mrs. Carraway telling us to always "Be Somebody"

Meanwhile, I married, and was blessed with two children and four grandchildren. My career began with the Federal Government with several agencies in Philadelphia, PA and Washington, DC. In 1997, I retired with about 34 years service. Since retirement I have continued to work part time as an independent consultant for several government agencies. I returned to college on a special program designed for individuals' 55+. Many times in my math classes, I had to re-learn Mrs. Carraway's math rules, and I thought where is Butch and Cornell. (Remember they were the math wizards in our class)

On a lighter side, I enjoy traveling, music, reading, gardening, and spending time with my family especially my grandchildren. My Mother still lives in NC and I visit her often and feel blessed that I still have her. I also provide volunteer services to several community organizations as well as ministries in my church.

I think I have aged successfully and life has been good. I cherish my education at Phillips as well as the strong ethic, moral and spiritual values that my parents instilled in me. I look forward to fellowshiping with my dear classmates of 1958.





Betha Kenney Staynes



After graduation from Phillips High School in 1958, I attended Fisk University in Nashville, TN. After graduating from Fisk, I was blessed to earn an M.A. degree, a Professional diploma, and a Ph.D.

Thirty-one years were devoted to teaching children in Bronx, NY. I have also taught in higher education continuously since 1981. Currently, I am employed by Shaw University.

Dedicated to the cause of promoting literacy, for many years I was a volunteer to teach adults to improve their literacy skills. This was done while I also worked with public school and college level students. I have also trained adults to teach reading to other adults. In 1998, the mayor of Mount Vernon, NY honored me by naming me the Emanuel Dondy Literacy Volunteer of the Year. I believe that there is nothing more rewarding than helping somebody.

I am contented when I am actively involved in productive activities. I am a member of a number of organizations and loves international travel. I write extensively and have three books to my credit.

I currently live in Rocky Mount, NC with my husband Cephus and granddaughter Jalisa. My daughter Nacretia, lives in Bronx, NY.





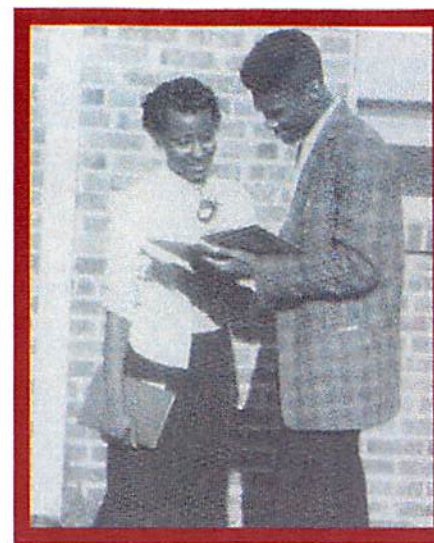
Shortest:
Loretta Mack & Percy Dickens



Most Studious:
Doris Lyons & Isaac Rogers



Neatest:
Doris Lyons & Samuel Bryant



Most Versatile
Bertha Kenney & Willie Daniels

Class Favorites



Most Talkative:
Shirley Seabron & Charlie Staton



Friendliest:
Susie Pender & Herbert Hill



Best Citizens:
Bertha Kenney & Isaac Rogers



Best Actors:
Hattie Bullock & Cornell Wade



Student Council Officers

Maurieta Cozart, Charlie Staton, George Cloyd, Leslie Hilliard, Isaac Rogers, Bertha Kenney & Percy Dickens

Band Officers: *Isaac Rogers, John Worsley, & Doris Lyons*



Herbert Hill
Band Drum Major



Loretta Mack
Lead Majorette

In Memory of Our Deceased Classmates



Samuel Bryant

Gaston Burgess

George Cloyd

Archie Cooper

Marjorie Graham (12/23/2007)



Herbert Hill (7/17/1989)

Annie Hilliard

Leslie Hilliard

Ethel Johnson (9/13/1984)

Rebecca Lancaster

Shirley Pierce (7/30/2007)

Isaac Rogers (6/9/2007)



Cornell Wade

Choral Club Officers:

Shirley Pierce, Willie Daniels & Bertha Kenney

NFA Club Officers:

Leslie Hilliard, Charlie Staton, Irie Parker, Isaac Rogers, Percy Dickens, & George Cloyd

School Bus Drivers:

Percy Dickens, Charlie Staton, Isaac Rogers Joseph Cotton, Samuel H Bryant,
Julius Draughn, John Worsley, Irie Parker, & George Cloyd

1958 Yearbook Staff:

Maurieta Cozart, Herbert Hill, Cornell Wade, Bertha Kenney, Percy Dickens,
George Cloyd, Isaac Rogers, Susie Pender & Leslie Hilliard

Debutante Ball Sponsored By:

Beta Zeta Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority -April 11, 1958

Debutantes & Their Escorts:

Bertha Kenney & John Worsley, Doris Lyons & Charlie Staton, Ethel Johnson & Cornell Wade,
Loretta Mack & Archie Cooper, Mary Ellen Dickens & Joseph Cotton, Maurieta Cozart & Isaac Rogers

Class Song

*At last we're here in wonderland,
Senior class, in wonderland;
The sights and sounds we'll never fear,
Senior class, in wonderland;
Our days will all be filled with cheer
Because we love this land so dear,
And sing our praises loud and clear,
Senior class, in wonderland.
We say goodbye to high school days,
Senior class, in wonderland.
We'll think of them, in all our play,
and ne'er forget them, this we pray,
And from their teachings never stray,
Senior class in wonderland.*



*Senior Play
"The Black Widow"*



*Senior Play
"The Kid"*

Some of the Cast: Annie Bellamy, Hattie Bullock, George Claude, Maurieta Cozart, Willie Daniels, Percy Dickens, Leslie Hilliard, Bertha Kenney, Shirley Seabron & Charlie Staton, Isaac Rogers

MEMORIES - CLASS OF 1958

Class Colors: *Baby Blue and Pink*

Class Flower: *Pink Carnation*

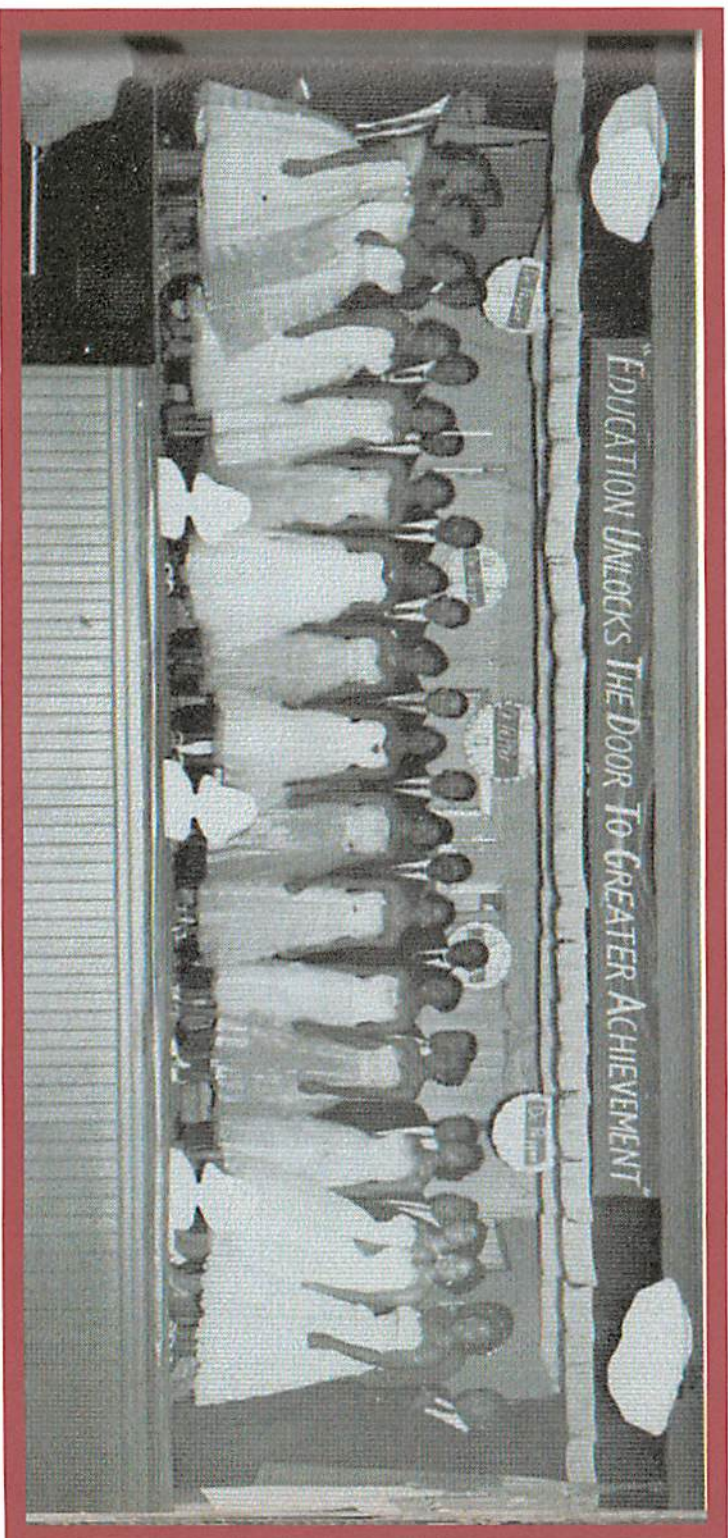
Class Motto: *Take What You Want And Pay For It*

Class Advisor: *Mrs. Maggie Highsmith Carraway*

Class Officers:

President - Bertha Kenney, **Vice President** - Isaac Rogers,

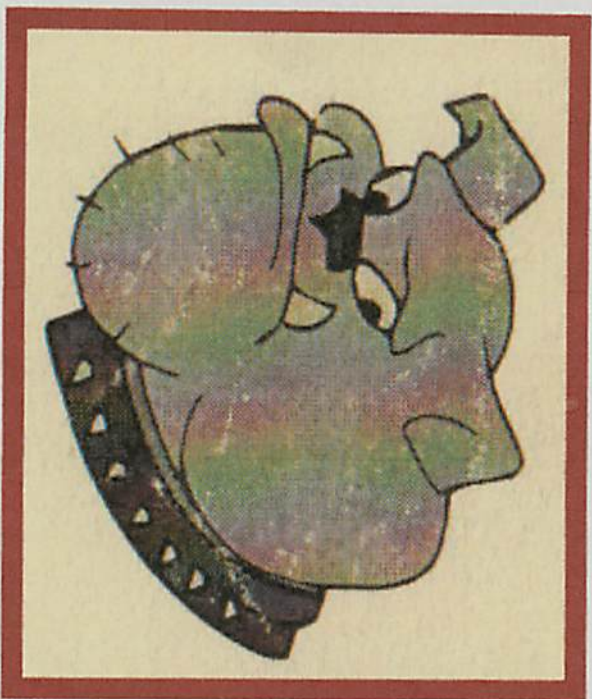
Secretary - Doris Lyons, **Treasurer** - Mary Dickens, **Historian** - Cornell Wade



Class Day - Seniors in Wonderland

Phillips High School

Class of 1958



Celebrating 50 Years