



*Most Ancient Union Grand Court
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Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge ~ Free and Accepted Masons PHA
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Name: Vernell Ellen Douglas
Name known by most - Ms. Vernell or Mrs. Biggins-Douglas

Husband: Fred (Married for eighteen years)

Children: (2) Keith Lapel Biggins and Anthon "Ton" Biggins (Deceased - murdered 1986)

Education: Dade County Schools - Liberty City Elem., Dorsey Jr. High, and proud
Miami Northwestern Sr. High graduate class of "1966".

Degree: Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education- Nova University
Master courses in Variant Exceptionalities- University of Miami

Community Involvement: I am currently a school volunteer at Myrtle Grove Elementary School. My work in the community included my job as a High School Track Coach for American Sr. High and Hialeah Miami Lakes Sr. High for thirteen years. Aside from coaching at the High School, I owned my very own Carol City Track Club for eight years. There I was able to keep young girls and boys out of trouble and off the street. They learned self-motivational skills in a competitive way. Victory is good, but it is not always the victory, it's the triumph. That was my motto.

Organization Involvement: Past Associate Matron for Seminole O.E.S. Chapter # 17. Where I am still a member for over 20 years. Past Most Ancient Matron of King Edwards Heroine of Jericho Court #6. Royal Queen for the Queen of the South Council for ten years for District 15. Past Princess Captain of New Providence Templar Crusade Guild #1. Past Priestess of Deborah Ct. Golden Circle. Member of Kazah Daughter of Isis. Past Daughter Ruler of Unity Elk Temple, Recording Secretary for Liberty Elk Temple #724, Recording Secretary for Everglades Past Daughter Ruler Council, member of New Providence Guild #1, Grand Senior Matron of the Most Worshipful Union Grand Court Heroine of Jericho for seven years and now Deputy Most Ancient Grand Matron for this "Love Under Construction" organization. Member of "Parents of Murdered Children."

Career: Dade County School System as a Permanent Substitute Teacher, Teacher Assistant and a dedicated Teacher for thirty six years. I enjoyed resolving conflicts and interacting with my colleagues and students.

Church Involvement: Member of Usher Board number 1 and Choir number one at Peaceful Zion M.B. Church where Rev. Doctor Moderator C.P. Preston is my Pastor. I love the Lord with all my heart, soul, and mind. Serving and doing God's will is my major concern in life. I love working with challenged or problem children because they make me realize how much I am needed. Working with children with Variant exceptionalities is my strength. These are the children who appreciate the little things you do for them.

"The children are my purpose for being here" - Vernell Douglas
Most Ancient Grand Matron for the state of Florida and its Jurisdiction