

Louise Jones Pender

Sunrise: July 17, 1876 – Sunset: April 30, 1968



(Memories recounted by Elizabeth Louise Ruffin Miller)

My grandma adopted my mother, Minnie Lee, “when she was three days old”. This is because my mother’s grandmother, Sarah Brown, gave her to grandma and her husband John Henry Pender. Louise and John took my mother and raised her as their very own. My mother, **Minnie Lee Pender**, did not meet her biological mother, **Elizabeth Brown Whitehurst**, until she was twelve years old. It was also at this time that she learned about her two sisters (Annice and Beulah).

Grandma cooked the BEST food. She made delicious jellies and jams. There was always lots of extra food in the “smokehouse”. Here there was smoked sausage, ham, etc. But the best in the smokehouse were the jars of many kinds of preserves.

I remember one time when I needed a white dress for May Day at school to wind the maypole. My parents could not afford to buy me the dress and I was crying like a baby over at grandma’s house. She got material from something she already had and made me a dress!!!! That dress was the cutest dress in class that day and I still remember how “prissy” my whole May Day was because of that dress!

At another time, my grandma taught me to sew with her Singer sewing machine. Years later, because of this, I was able to make clothes for myself. That knowledge also got me excellent grades in the 9th grade when I took Home Economics.

It was always a joy going to grandma’s home and spending the night. My brother “Buddy” and I did this a lot when we were little. Grandma seemed to favor me and her sister, Aunt Sally, favored “Buddy”. One day as we walked to Roberson Elementary School, I was bragging to Buddy how grandma had slipped me 15 cents extra for lunch. Buddy reached in his pocket to show me that Aunt Sally had slipped him an extra 25 cents!

My grandma, **Louise Pender**, was the most loving, kindest, and most awesome grandmother anyone could ever have! This is just my small way of saying to grandma: “I will always love you”.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
OFFICE OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

JUN 6 - 1968

REGISTRATION DISTRICT NO. 33:70 LOCAL NO. _____

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TYPE OR PRINT IN
PERMANENT
BLACK INK

NAME OF DECEASED 1. Louise Pender		SEX 2. Female		DATE OF BIRTH 3. July 17, 1976		DATE OF DEATH 4. April 30, 1968	
COLOR OR RACE 5. Negro		STATE OF BIRTH 6. North Carolina		AGE IN YEARS LAST BIRTHDAY 7. 92		IF UNDER 1 YEAR 8. 92	
PLACE OF DEATH COUNTY 9. Edgecombe County		CITY OR TOWN 10. Tarboro		USUAL RESIDENCE (WHERE DECEASED LIVED, IF INSTITUTION, RESIDENCE BEFORE ADMISSION) STATE 11. North Carolina		COUNTY 12. Edgecombe	
NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION 13. Edgecombe General Hosp.		INSIDE CITY LIMITS (SPECIFY YES OR NO) 14. Yes		CITY OR TOWN 15. Tarboro		STREET ADDRESS OR R.F.D. No. 16. Rt. 1 Box 110	
MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (SPECIFY) 17. Widowed		SURVIVING SPOUSE (IF WIFE, GIVE MARRIAGE NAME) 18. John Pender (D)		INSIDE CITY LIMITS (SPECIFY YES OR NO) 19. No		KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY 20. Retired	
CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? 21. USA		SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 22. [Redacted]		USUAL OCCUPATION (KIND OF WORK DONE DURING MOST OF WORKING LIFE, EVEN IF RETIRED) 23. Retired		KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY 24. [Redacted]	
FATHER'S NAME 25. Hillard Jones				MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME 26. Betsy Lloyd			

INFORMANTS NAME AND ADDRESS
27. ISIAN PIPPEN 804 E. Wilson St. Tarboro, N.C.

PART I. DEATH CAUSED BY: (ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR 1a, 1b, 1c)

1a. IMMEDIATE CAUSE: **Myocardial**

1b. DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF: **Old age**

1c. DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF: _____

APPROXIMATE INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH: _____

PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO CAUSE GIVEN IN PART I (a)

19a. ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, HOMICIDE, OR UNDETERMINED (SPECIFY): _____

19b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED (ENTER NATURE OF INJURY IN PART I OR PART II, ITEM 19): _____

19c. ALTOGETHER YES OR NO: **Yes**

19d. YES (IF FINDINGS CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING CAUSE OF DEATH): _____

20a. TIME OF INJURY: _____

20b. INJURY AT WORK (SPECIFY YES OR NO): _____

20c. PLACE OF INJURY (AT HOME, PARK, STREET, FACTORY, OFFICE BLDG., ETC. (SPECIFY)): _____

20d. CITY OR R.F.D.: _____

20e. COUNTY: _____

20f. STATE: _____

CERTIFICATION—PHYSICIAN: ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM **4/22/68** TO **4/30/68**. LAST SAW HIM HER ALIVE ON **4/29/68**.

CERTIFICATION—MEDICAL EXAMINER OR ACTING MEDICAL EXAMINER: ON THE BASIS OF THE EXAMINATION OF THE BODY AND/OR INVESTIGATION, IN MY OPINION, DEATH WAS DUE TO THE CAUSE(S) STATED ABOVE THE DECEASED WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD AT _____ A.M. ON _____

21. OCCURRED AT **8:30 A** ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE, AND IN MY OPINION, FROM THE CAUSES STATED

22. CAUSE(S) STATED ABOVE THE DECEASED WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD AT _____ A.M. ON _____

SIGNATURE OF CERTIFIER: **Ray M. H.** DATE SIGNED: **4/30/68** ADDRESS: **Tarboro, N.C.**

SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER: **James S. Willoughby** LICENSE NO.: **1054**

BURIAL, CREMATION, OTHER: **Burial** DATE: **5-5-68** NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATOR: **First** LOCATION: **Tarboro, N.C.**

FUNERAL HOME: **Henry Willoughby, Tarboro, N.C.** SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR: **James S. Willoughby** LICENSE NO.: **1054**

DATE RECD BY LOCAL REG: **5-22-68** SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR: **W. A. Chambliss** SIGNATURE OF UNBALMER: **Alfred Bernier** LICENSE NO.: **933**

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