



## Billie Faye Jackson

May 5, 1946 - June 18, 2020

A celebration of life will be held at a later date for Billie Faye Jackson, 74 of Chico. She passed away on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at her home.

Billie was born on May 5, 1946 to Robert and Joy Charles in Oroville, Ca. She was a graduate of Oroville High School in 1964 and was an outstanding student and athlete. Billie went on to complete her education at CSU Chico where she earned a BA in English, secondary teaching credential and her MS in Education. Prior to beginning her career in higher education she was a supervisor for Butte County Head Start and worked for Pacific Bell. In 1977 Billie began her career in higher education as the director of the Student Learning Center at CSU Chico and ultimately the director of Disabled Student Services where in both capacities she was able to do what she loved, serve students. She retired from CSU Chico in 2006 after 29 years of service. BILLIE JACKSON Award was established at the university honoring the top African American student upon graduation.

Billie was instrumental in the establishment of the Boys and Girls Club of the North Valley, having served on the original board. She was also an original board member for Chico's Habitat for Humanity. She was a proud member of the Essence Womens Club of Chico. Billie was a long standing member of Bethel A.M.E. Church in Chico. She was dedicated to serving the community and her students in any way she could often writing checks for students who were away from home and without family support. She was honored with an outstanding citizen award by the City of Chico in 1996. IN recent years Billie has had the opportunity to work with a group of women who's purpose is to support Enloe Medical Center.

Billie is survived by her husband of 53 years, Matthews D. Jackson; son Matthews D Jackson Jr.; daughter, Joy J. Jones (William); brother, Ronald Charles; grandchildren, Christian, Autumn, Kendall, and Deylen. She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Emma Spencer and Joyce Ross.

Billie leaves behind a plethora of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles. Billie

was a mother to many and a friend to all.

Donations may be made in her memory to the CSU Chico Foundation, Boys and Girls Club of the North Valley or the Butte College Foundation in care of the Brusie Funeral Home.

# Comments

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“ Beautiful Billie Jackson! Such a loss to our community. It was an honor to work with her at Chico State but especially on the Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors. Her compassion and authenticity were as contagious as her glowing smile. My partner, Peggy, played softball with her back in the day. I am so sorry Matt. You are in my thoughts but there aren't enough words to attempt to comfort you. Love, Debbie

**Debbie Powers** - June 30 at 01:33 PM

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“ Oh Matt I am so saddened to hear of Billie's passing. She has always been such a lovely woman who touched so many lives at Chico State and throughout the county. My heart goes out to you and your wonderful children at this sad time. Janet Taylor

**Janet Taylor** - June 29 at 02:14 PM

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“ My heart goes out to Matt, Matt Jr., and Joy. Billie was a warm, talented, competent, humorous, and loving professional woman. She provided a loving home to her husband and children throughout her life. She will also be missed in the Chico/Oroville communities as well as in higher education. She made a difference and set an example for all who knew her.

**Joe and Nancy Rich** - June 28 at 12:00 PM

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“ What a sad day for all who knew Billie. My love to the family. May wonderful memories, family, and friends be of comfort for you today and always. No more Matt sandwiches. Love, Billie Kanter

**Billie Kanter** - June 27 at 09:11 PM

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“ Billie was so amazing and this is such a loss. Her gentle humor will be missed. All my love to the family. Helen Harberts

**Helen Harberts** - June 26 at 06:49 PM

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“ So sad to hear of Billie's passing. A total class act and sweet lady.

Matt Smith

**Matt Smith** - June 26 at 01:31 PM

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“ Billie was a lovely woman. Sending my sympathy and love to her wonderful family.  
Meredith Christopher

**Meredith Christopher** - June 26 at 11:38 AM