

**News**

# Poor South African Boys Find an Escape in Sandboarding



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In this photo taken Friday, May 6, 2016, sandboarder boys walk on a dune at Atlantis area on the outskirts of Cape Town, South Africa. Every Friday afternoon, some South African boys head for the sand dunes that surround Atlantis, a poor area on Cape Town's outskirts where drug gangs operate and shootings occur regularly.

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ATLANTIS, South Africa — Every Friday afternoon, some South African boys head for the sand dunes that surround Atlantis, a poor area on Cape Town's outskirts where drug gangs operate and shootings

occur regularly. There, they slide and skid down the slopes on boards, forgetting for a while the hard streets where crime ensnares many young men. "This is my boy," said 13-year-old Brendan van Maasdorp, affectionately gesturing to his sand board. He started surfing

the dunes seven months ago and said it is the highlight of his week.

Sandboarding is an escape from the often treacherous environment in Atlantis, whose difficult history dates to South Africa's era of white minority rule. Most inhabitants are of mixed race and they or their parents and older relatives were forcibly relocated by the apartheid government from District Six, a central neighborhood in Cape Town, about 40 kilometers (25 miles) to the south.

Despite significant economic progress, South Africa continues to struggle with pover-

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## Celebration of Life

Rosalind Lynette Jenkins

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Celebration of Life  
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Billy Webb Elks Lodge  
6 N Tillamook  
Portland OR 97227  
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# Obituary: Joice Antoinette Taylor

December 17, 1949 - May 18, 2016

Joice Antoinette Taylor, 66, of Portland, Oregon passed away on May 18, 2016. She was born Joyce Johnson on December 17, 1949 in Portsmouth, Virginia, the youngest child of six to Linwood Bernard Johnson and Ethel Lee Johnson. She was educated at Holy Child Academy High School in Portland, Oregon.



Joice A. Taylor

Art and culture were a mainstay in her world starting early in life when she was trained as a child in ballet and tap. As a young woman, she traveled to New York, Washington and Canada as a professional model before returning to Portland to start a model and talent agency. Plus, she often surrounded her home and office with beautiful works of art along with her precious family portraits and mementos.

While she loved international travel and business, her heart was also deeply rooted here in Portland where she had many friends, family members, colleagues, fans, mentors and fellow community activists.

As for her career, she had more than 25 years of professional experience as an educational leader with the Portland Public School District, consulting, training and facilitation, strategic planning, organizational, youth, program and community development, building partnerships, fundraising and marketing for nonprofits and businesses large and small. Through many years she also handled public affairs, promotions, event planning and executive communications.

Education also was of utmost importance to her and she made sure that all of her great-grandchildren, grandchildren, nieces and nephews also held it in high esteem and strived to become lifelong learners. Even late in life, she decided to return to school to earn her B.S. in International Business from Marylhurst, and graduated in 1995 and then she pursued Masters level coursework in communications at Portland State University.

She last served as CEO & President of Global Management Strategies, LLC and a partner with Rural and

Urban Development League, LLC. She partnered and shared her expertise with; local, city, state economic development and racial equity organizations, small businesses, non-profits, and corporations. She engaged and consulted in competitive-edge systematic strategies strengthening healthy livable environments, racial justice, and human equity sustainability.

She served as Board Chair of the North/Northeast Business Association (NNEBA) from 2008 until she retired in 2016. She was honored on April 28, 2016 by NNEBA with a Neil Kelly Distinguished Service Award, celebrating her business excellence and community achievement.

She is survived by her children Gaylon Michael Taylor, Aunice Martoinette Taylor, and Bakari-Ajamu Taylor Rhodes. She is also survived by her sister, Linda Johnson and nephew, Theodore Ward and niece, Zeenab Fowlk. Sister Barbra Daniels, and her nephew Allen Daniels. Her brother James Johnson (Virginia) and her nieces Jennifer and Jocelyn Johnson, and brother Everett (Rosie) Johnson and her nephew Christopher Johnson. She is also survived by numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is predeceased by her brother Clarence Brooks.

**A Homegoing Celebration:** Joice A. Taylor's Final Run of Show, A Debonaire Productions event will be held on Friday, May 27, 2016 at the Emmanuel Temple Church - Multipurpose Room located at 1033 N. Sumner Street, Portland, Oregon 97217. Doors will open at 1:30 p.m. with light refreshments, and the program will begin immediately at 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. with a reception to follow.

The family is respectfully asking for donations toward the costs of the tribute service and for any unpaid healthcare costs. You may contribute to the Joice A. Taylor fund through U.S. Bank or by visiting <https://pages.giveforward.com/remembrance/page-trhqdj6/>.

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