



Sophia A. James Hall

Class of 1980

Sophia James Hall, a native of Miami, Florida enrolled at Tuskegee Institute on a four-year Volleyball Scholarship in August of 1976. Along with her twin sister Sonia James, she was a member of the 1977 SIAC Volleyball Championship team.

Sophia was a Physical Education major at Tuskegee and graduated in the Class of 1980. She was active on campus holding a position in her dormitory, Adams Hall and ran for Miss Tuskegee. Sophia also appeared in an article of The Campus Digest because of her uniqueness of being an identical twin. She pledged Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. Upon graduating she subsequently earned a Master of Science in Educational Leadership at Nova University in 1986.

Ms. Hall had a drive to succeed. She was the consummate educator who soared in her field. She began as a classroom teacher who excelled to the ranks of Assistant Principal and Vice Principal in the Miami Dade County Public Schools. She was named Teacher of the Year in 1995 and was a finalist in 2013 for Assistant Principal of the Year in Technical/ Alternative and Community Education. The graduation rate at William H. Turner Technical School skyrocketed under her leadership.

Sophia was affiliated and actively involved with many community, social and spiritual organizations. She was a member of Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church and North Miami Education Board. She worked tirelessly with the homeless, continuing education programs at the Miami Rescue Mission, Lotus House, along with many other shelters. She was also School Administrator of Miami Dade Corrections, assisting inmates in transitioning. Ms. Hall was President of Miami Jackson Alumni Class of 1976.

Sophia was an individual who loved Tuskegee. She was a supporter of the Tuskegee University Scholarship Fund and the South Florida Tuskegee Alumni Club.

Ms. Hall passed away in Miami, Florida on June 18, 2020. Leaving behind her beloved family; Donald James Sr. (Brother), Senella Clinch, Sonia James and Linda Woods (Sisters), Courtney Hall, Shonta James and Shanreeka Hall (Children), Kazyiah Hall, Jordan Pastora, Jaida Pastora, Jaylen Suarez, Janae Suarez, Jazmin Sanudo, Issac Shepherd, Semaj Wilson and Journee Hall (Grandchildren).