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Billie Watson Hughes, CFSP to be honored by the
100 Black Women of Funeral Service
As Virginia's 2008 Woman of Distinction
at the
71st Annual Convention of the NFD&MA, Inc.
Wednesday, August 6, 2008
Indianapolis, Indiana

Orlando, FL. (June 05, 2008)

Come join the "Ladies in Red" of the 100 Black Women of Funeral Service at the 2008 Women of Distinction Breakfast on Wednesday Morning on the Red Carpet at the 71st Annual Convention of the National Funeral Directors and Morticians Association, Inc. in Indianapolis, Indiana from 7:30 to 9:30 am.

The Awards Selection Committee has selected the most outstanding women contributors to the funeral service in each state and will share their contributions of accomplishment on the local, district, and state levels, and award them with the 2008 Trailblazer Award, named in honor of the late M. Athalie Range of Range Funeral Home, Miami Florida.

Like the Late Mrs. Range, who was a trailblazer in and out of the funeral home, in the community, civic, socially and for all mankind, our recipients have distinguished themselves in the profession as visionaries and the hardest working women in the funeral service profession. No task is too small or too great for them. They stand ready to inform, educate, share and invigorate other professionals and clients at all times.

Our 2008 Woman of Distinction are bold, knowledgeable, independent, upfront, graceful under pressure, and more often than not, determined to shatter a few glass ceilings during the course of her funeral service career. She's a role model and a mentor to up-and-coming funeral service professionals. She empowers and she inspires. Billie Watson Hughes is a lady that invokes other to not stand by idle and to get involved and give one hundred-fifty percent of themselves. She is the State of Virginia's "2008 100 BWFS Woman of Distinction."