

CELEBRATION OF LOVE FOR

Shirley Gerone Vann Sharp

SUNRISE
OCTOBER 17, 1931

SUNSET
MAY 19, 2018



SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2018 - 11:00 AM
KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH WITNESSES
3003 SOUTEL DRIVE
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32208
OFFICIATING: ELDER ALPHONSO DRYE



PRECIOUS MEMORIES OF
Shirley Gerone Vann Sharp

Mrs. Shirley Gerone Vann Sharp affectionately known by many as "Kool"; was born on October 17, 1931 in Appling County, Georgia to the late Reno and Wilhelmenia Vann. She departed this life surrounded by her loved ones peacefully after a brief illness on May 19, 2018.

Shirley was a phenomenal woman. She was a faithful Jehovah Witness for more than 45 years. She was the rock of her family. She was truly an inspiration; the absolute picture of a strong independent black woman. Loving, Selfless and Devoted to her children, siblings, and friends. She never met a stranger; ever one she met was like family. She generously gave endlessly. And we know she had to grace you with her signature saying, "I'm better than Good"! She enjoyed dancing, cooking, sewing, and baking. She had one of the best Red Velvet and Pound Cakes, Hands Down!

She wedded Ulysee Sharp on May 31, 1952 the marriage blessed them with six children.

Her many memories will be cherished by:

One Sister: Norma Walker

Sons: Ulysee & Tim

Daughters: Vanetta(JJ), Sharon (DiDI), Rhoda

Son -in-Laws: Jerome, Alan

Grand Children: Latrice, Clifford/Pookie (Akisha), Chris (Ortega), Kanaka(Jason), Cerry (Yolanda), Cameron(Danielle), Bre'Ana, Chadd, Nesha Scott, Dominique(Ty), Carmelita(Mel), Monya, D'Erykah (Nathan), Li'Naeja, Lionell.

Great Grands: Latrice, LaWanda(Tyrell), Lorenzo(Tyandra), Hadassah, Morgann, Arendez, Avandia, C'Darien, Christena, Chris, Rhoda, Ralfiel, Reno, Ry'Ani, Nasir, Cariyah, Calyse, Cadence, Danasia, Keyden, Kam'Ron, Carter, Maxwell, Camille, and coming soon Ava Grace!

Great-Great Grands: Mason, Jaaziel, Liliana, Bryden, and Paisley

Nephews: Alfred, Billy, Butch, Mack, Artie, Condelle, Ganzo, Windell, Clifford, Clint, Ricky, Akil, James, Jeffery

Nieces: Valencia, Veronica, Clois, Anniemae, Regina, Charlene, Vera, Cynthia, Wanda, Patty, Loretta

Special Friends: Tawana Bell, Ruth Bazemore, Alma Tims, Hazel Hill, Annette Thompson and Willie Bell Garvin, and many other friends and relatives.

Order of Service

Viewing *Soft Music*

Song Selection (pg. 140) *"Life Without End At Last"*

Prayer *Elder Leonard Williams*

Obituary Read Silently to Music

Eulogy *Elder Alphonso Drye*

Selection (pg. 151) *"He Will Call"*

Prayer *Elder Leonard Williams*

Recessional *Soft Music*

REPAST IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

Lincoln Villa Center
7866 New Kings Road
Jacksonville, Florida 32219



To My Mother:

*I miss you dearly already
You were Everything to Me; You were MY AIR MY ROCK!
I won't EVER forget your smile,
I won't ever forget the values in life you taught my kids and I.
Thank you for ALWAYS going ABOVE and BEYOND ON EVERYTHING.
Here on earth it feels like everything good is missing since YOU left. Here on earth everything is
different there is an emptiness.
I love you with ALL MY HEART!
Love your BABY GIRL,
Rhoda*

From a Child:

*You gave me more than one could ever imagine. Your wise decisions only confirmed that there is
a God. All I can say is: I want to thank you for all the wonderful years we shared. I love and
miss you so, so, so, so much.
JJ (The Little One)*

***S-** Your Strength was so amazing! So, strength is what we will pray
for as we walk this road called life without you.*

***H-** Hope is what you left me for it is absolutely free. You planted
your faith in Jehovah in each one of us and we are forever grateful.
In that Hope we await the day we see you again.*

***I-** Independence, you taught us this, best lesson ever; because of you I
am an amazing woman.*

***R-** Respect; you earned it Mom; never met a humbler person in all
my life.*

***L-** Loving you eternally and endlessly for our life is not done yet.*

***E-** Everlasting is the love I have for you. Physically longing for your
presence although it may not be but the memories that you've left me
will keep and set my heart free.*

***Y-** Yearning to have you near me for an uplifting word, a laugh or
even a piece of motherly correction.*

*Love You Lady,
Di Di*



Son's Special Tribute

*Please don't cry. Please don't cry, I had to go.
The loss will hurt I know, I know*

Family Dear, please don't cry my time has come, but it's not good bye. For I will always be with you by your side your whole life through. Because you all are my special love. Please keep your faith in God above, for its not a question why God called us. Only He knows why, my family and friends in your heart I will live forever.

*To my Daughters and Sons my love it was meant to ne; our love will last eternally. Nieces, Nephews Cousins and Friends here font forget that I'll always be near. Thank you, friends that prayed for me. I'll pray for you eternally, for I have truly gone home to a better place. I'm not alone, although I'll miss each one of you.
Jesus near will help us through.*

I did the best with life that I could. I have no regrets; my life was good. For I have not left-not permanently. It's when you sleep, you'll dream of me, between awake and asleep you'll see not memories of light but really me.

Listen carefully with your mind, I'm by your side not hard to find. In life, not often are we aware that we live our lives in angel's care. And in God's one eternal plan the angels lend a helping hand. I pray to God, our Father here, please let me be an angel near.

*Please don't cry, please don't cry, I had to go
Please don't cry, I know, I know.....
Your loving Son,*

Tim





*Shirley Gerone
Vann Sharp
"Kool"*



Pallbearers

Family of Shirley Sharp

Flower Attendants

Family of Shirley Sharp

Psalms 23

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord Forever.*

In Appreciation

*The Family of Shirley Sharp.
Is extremely grateful for all expressions of love,
hope and sincere sympathy rendered to our family
during the passing of our loved one.
We Love You and May Jehovah God Bless You Richly!*

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