

Pallbearers
James Exson Alonzo Williams, Jr. Michael Gomez
Garrett Jordan Harold Geddis Marcel Hobbs

Flower Attendants
Family Members and Friends

“Waiting at Heaven’s Door”

Death beckoned her with outstretched hands and whispered softly of an unknown land, but she was not afraid to go for though the path she did not know. She took death's hand without a fear for God who safely brought her here, had promised He would lead the way into eternity's bright day. For none of us need go alone into the valley that is unknown, but guided by our Father's hand we journey to the promised land. She was your special loving “Mother” you shared your lives with one another, and you'll find comfort for your grief in knowing her death brought sweet relief. For, now she is free from all suffering and pain, and your great loss became her gain... You know that her love is with you still for she loved you in life and always will. Love like hers can never end because it is the perfect blend of joy and sorrows, smiles, and tears that just grew stronger with the years. Love like hers can never die for she's taken it with her to the sky... So think of Mom as living above, no farther away than your undying love. For now she is happy and free once more and she's waiting for you at Heaven's door.

~ Helen Steiner Rice

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Shirley Ann Gordon** wish to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who showed us sympathy on our recent bereavement. Special thanks to all our extended family members, neighbors and friends who helped and supported us in so many different ways, for which we are forever grateful. Thank you to the medical staff, doctors, and nurses who treated Shirley with dignity. Many thanks to the countless others who helped with the service to make it truly memorable. It will be impossible to thank all those concerned individually, please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our heartfelt appreciation.

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A CELEBRATION *Of Life*



Shirley Ann Gordon

October 18, 1950 - January 18, 2016

Service

11:00 AM, Tuesday, January 26, 2016

Bethel Baptist Institutional Church

215 Bethel Baptist Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Bishop Rudolph W. McKissick, Jr., Senior Pastor
Bishop Rudolph W. McKissick Sr., Pastor Emeritus

Obituary

Shirley Ann Gordon was born on October 18, 1950 to the late James Williams and Algerine Nelson Williams. She was educated in the public schools of Duval County and was a graduate of New Stanton High School, Class of 1968. Shirley retired from the United Parcel Service after many years of service.

Shirley wants you to know that her work here is done. She received a call for a promotion which she could not refuse. Her new assignment comes with a huge bonus, a reunion with family and friends she has not seen in a long time. Her new mission takes her to a wonderful place where she will be enjoying herself to her heart's content. One where she will be in the presence of the Almighty God for eternity. Music, laughter and love are guaranteed. Food is delicious and she will never gain an ounce. She desires that her children, husband, and family celebrate her mission here, which has now been completed.

Shirley departed this life on Monday, January 18, 2016 and was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Jeanette Barber Harrell and Betty Jean Clark-Thomas.

Shirley left to cherish her memory her husband, Daniel E. Gordon; devoted sons, Cedric "Ced" Stewart (Tanya), James "Jamie" Green; nephews, Michael Smith (Renee), and Jimmie Harrell (Trina); grand-daughter, Alanna Stewart; sister-in-law, Lois Franklin (Keith); special nieces, Deborah "Pookie" Davis, and Brenda Cherry (Tommy); a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, lifelong friends, and family members.

We would like to let her know that we will miss her dearly, and that we are comforted in knowing that she is with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We will remember her smile, her warmth, her energy, her love for life, family, and friends. Shirley worked very hard all her life, up until the very end. She made a difference in the lives of many. We invite you to join us in celebrating her memory.

Order of Service

Pastor David L. Scott, Presiding

Processional

Hymn.....Michael Cobb
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

PrayerPastor David L. Scott

Life Reflections(2 Minutes Please)

ScriptureTerrelle J. Smith
Old Testament Job 19: 25-27
New Testament John 11: 25-26

Solo Luvenia Exson
"The Battle Is Not Yours"

Words of ComfortPastor Anthony Moore
The Church of Jacksonville (CJAX)

Recessional
"He'll Welcome Me"

Interment

Restlawn Cemeteries
2600 Ribault Scenic Drive
Jacksonville, Florida 32208