



## Shirley Ann Butler

August 18, 2017

Shirley Ann Butler, age 66, passed away at Passages Hospice in New Orleans on Friday August 18, 2017. She was born on April 18, 1951 in New Orleans, Louisiana to John Cain and Will A. Powell. She was baptized at Oak Grove Baptist Church in New Orleans, LA. Shirley attended Paul L. Dunbar Elementary, Alfred C. Priestley Middle School, McDonogh 35 High School and graduated from Alcee Fortier High School in 1970. She received both her undergraduate and graduate degrees in social work from Southern University (New Orleans). Shirley was also a Licensed Practical Nurse for many years before retirement.

She is preceded in death by her parents and four brothers, Gerald Cain, Charles E. Butler, John C. Cain and James E. Butler. Shirley will be fondly missed by her two daughters, Chander Lynn James and Twann Butler Mason (Carmel) of Houston, TX.; a grandson, Oliver Jude Vital, III of Houston, TX.; three brothers, Andrew Butler, William D. Butler and Frank Butler, Sr. (Jean). She will be also forever remembered by a host of nieces, nephews, aunts and cousins.

Shirley was very passionate about her community of Hollygrove. She was very determined to get her childhood school, Paul L. Dunbar Elementary re-built after it was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Her efforts were not in vain because Paul L. Dunbar was re-opened for the children of the

Hollygrove community. She also enjoyed listening to music, advocating for civil and human rights, socializing at the Hollygrove Senior Community Center, watching CNN, playing computer games, casinos, dining out, gardening and shopping.

Family and friends are invited to attend her Memorial Service at DW Rhodes Chapel, 3933 Washington Ave. on Saturday, September 2, 2017 at 11:00 am; Interment: private; Please visit [www.rhodesfuneral.com](http://www.rhodesfuneral.com) to sign the guest book.

## Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Memorial Service

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

Rhodes Funeral Home - Washington Avenue  
3933 Washington Avenue  
New Orleans, LA 70125  
(504) 822-7162  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ We will miss you Shirley. May God grant you favorable judgement, peace and blessing. Barbara May

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“ Extending my condolences to the family of Shirley A. Butler and her Roneagle family. I met her in my home room as first freshman class of McD#35 and we remained friends. I will miss her and continue to pray for family love and strength. RIH



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