



Shirley Elaine Campbell

February 25, 2021

Shirley Elaine Campbell was a caring and dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She departed this world on February 25, 2021 at the age of 65 surrounded by her loving family. Shirley was born to Chephas and Luvenia Pearson on April 29, 1955 in Gadsden, Alabama. After graduating from Gadsden High School she married Glenn William Welch. This union produced one daughter Glenda Welch Baylis.

After the death of her husband Glenn, Shirley relocated to New Orleans, Louisiana where she met and married Raymond Campbell. She was a devoted Christian and member of Franklin Avenue Baptist Church. Her favorite pastimes included; cooking, reading the bible, and spending time with her family and friends.

Shirley experienced serious health issues at a young age that would continue throughout her life. Despite her health challenges she never lost or questioned her faith. She always smiled and remained upbeat while constantly encouraging others with her kind words. Shirley will forever be remembered for her faith, strength, courage, and determined spirit.

Shirley graduated from Southern University at New Orleans in 1995 with a bachelor's degree in Computer Science. However, she was much more than a student. She advocated for herself and other students with disabilities to

ensure equality and a level playing field. This determination and courage led to her co-founding the Services for Students with Disabilities Program on the Southern University at New Orleans Campus. This program continues today, has been a model for Universities throughout the country, and was recognized by the President of the United States. She was also a member of several different organizations and clubs on campus including Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Incorporated. Her line name was "Lady Courageous".

After graduating, she was employed by Southern University at New Orleans to continue her advocacy for students with disabilities. Her next professional stop was at Maranatha Christian Academy, where she served as a teacher fulfilling one of her lifelong goals. When her health no longer permitted her to work outside of the home she continued her love for teaching by tutoring family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husbands Glenn William Welch and Raymond Campbell. Parents, Chephas and Luvenia Perine Pearson. Siblings, Raymond Blount, Luster Pearson, Juilus Pearson, Carrie Mae Freeman and one nephew, Carey Clemons

Shirley leaves to cherish her memories her devoted daughter Glenda (Jerome) Welch Baylis. Granddaughter, Glenicia Courtney Welch. Sisters Patricia Clemons, Cathy(Robert) Dowdell, Diane(Gerald) Presley, Sabrina Pearson, Cleo (Bobby)Thomas and one brother, Chephas (Winifred) Pearson. One uncle Edward Lee Wiggins. A host of cousins, nieces, nephews and devoted friends.

Relatives and friends of the family, are invited to attend a Homegoing Celebration at 10:00 AM on Saturday March 6, 2021 at Franklin Ave. Baptist Church, 8282 I-10 Service Road, New Orleans, LA 70126. Visitation will begin at 9:00 AM. Internment will take place in Providence Memorial Park Cemetery.

To sign the guestbook on line please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Providence Park Cemetery

8200 Airline Dr.
Metairie, LA 70003

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Franklin Avenue Baptist Church
8282 I-10 Service Rd. South
New Orleans, LA

Service

MAR 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Franklin Avenue Baptist Church
8282 I-10 Service Rd
New Orleans, LA 70126
(504) 488-8488

Tribute Wall

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“ *Epsilon Sigma Chapter New Orleans Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated. We are offering our deepest sympathy to the Welch and Campbell family.* ”

Shannon Bullock - March 06, 2021 at 05:01 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to the Campbell family from Tamara Lundy, Tammy Green, and Shannon Bullock.* ”



Shannon Bullock - March 06, 2021 at 10:16 AM

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“ *Gone but not Forgotten thank you for everything.* ”



Crystal Ferguson - March 06, 2021 at 09:11 AM

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“ From My Mom Ms. Rose Thomas and I We Send Our Condolences To The Family. We had the pleasure of meeting Ms. Shirley at Southern University In New Orleans. She Graduated With My Mom. They Both Studied Social Work Also Joined The Disabled Students Union. While There They Became Soto's For Sigma Gamma Rho. To Be Apart Of The Journey Was Facinating . Even After School Their Friendship Or Should I Say Sisterhood Continued. They Remained In Contact With Each Other On A Weekly If Not Daily Basis. For Hours They Would Chat!! It Was Certainly A Pleasure And Honor Knowing Ms. Shirley.



Torrie Johnson - March 04, 2021 at 03:46 PM