



## Stephanie Harrell Williams

August 12, 2013

Stephanie Harrell-Williams entered into eternal rest on Monday, August 12, 2013 at her home in New Orleans, Louisiana. Stephanie is the daughter of the late Alfred Ephren Harrell, Sr. and Glenna Leslie Harrell-Burgess. Stephanie is survived by her son Maurice Anthony Williams, Jr., daughter Mia Saran Williams and former husband, Maurice Anthony Williams, Sr. Stephanie is the sister of the late Alfred Ephren Harrell, Jr., the late Glenn Wellington Harrell, Stephen John Harrell, Sr., Alton Emmanuel Harrell and Garrett Harrell. She is the sister-in-law of the late Angel L. Harrell, Dianne T. Harrell, Deborah Henry Harrell, Kimberly W. Harrell, Terri L. Brown, Jeanne M. Chapman (Willie), Monique Williams Banks, Yolanda A. Williams, Rhonda E. Williams, Gerald M. Williams and Darryl J. Williams. Stephanie leaves to cherish a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Stephanie is a graduate of Isidore Newman School, New Orleans, LA, Simmons College, Boston, MA where she earned a Bachelor of Mass Communication and Xavier University, New Orleans, LA where she earned a Master of Counseling.

She was initiated into the Iota Citywide Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority, Inc., and is a current member of the New Orleans Alumnae Chapter. She is devoted member of the Mount Tabor Baptist Church and a former member of Central St. Matthew United Church of Christ, New Orleans, LA.

Stephanie was employed with the United States Federal Probation Office of the United States Court System for twenty-three years where she served in several senior management positions culminating with her appointment on September 1, 2008 as Deputy Chief of the United States Federal Probation Office located in New Orleans, LA.

All are invited to attend the Funeral Service on Monday, August 19, 2013 at Dillard University Lawless Memorial Chapel 11 am – 12:30 pm, Rev. Dr. Ronnie M. Vinson, Pastor of the Mount Tabor Baptist Church officiating. Visitation is from 8 am – 11 am. The members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. New Orleans Alumnae Chapter will perform the Omega Omega Ceremony from 10 am – 10:30 am also at Lawless Chapel. Interment will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, New Orleans, LA. Repast to follow on the campus of Dillard University at Kearney Hall from 2 pm – 4 pm.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Mary L. Harrison Scholarship Program of the Mount Tabor Baptist Church, 4128 Franklin Avenue, New Orleans, LA. Arrangements by D. W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Avenue, New Orleans, LA. A guest book is available at [www.rhodesfuneral.com](http://www.rhodesfuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery

4000 Norman Mayer Blvd.  
New Orleans, LA 70122

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 19. 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Lawless Memorial Chapel (Dillard University)  
2601 Gentilly Blvd  
New Orleans, LA 70122

## Service

AUG 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

FB

“ My family and I are sorry that we couldn't be there in this time of grief. I would like to give my love to all of the family. Can I get the correct address to send my families condolences.

- Farrell Bell and Family

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**Farrell Bell** - September 03, 2013 at 03:27 PM

CW

“ Stephanie was a wonderful woman...so warm and humorous. I got to know her at the U.S. District Court where we would often discuss our children and their many activities. She was such a proud Mom and so happy for every achievement of her wonderful Maurice and Mia. We have lost her light too soon but the life she had was well-lived. Much sympathy to Maurice, Mia and their extended family.



Cynthia Warren

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**Cynthia Warren** - August 21, 2013 at 03:40 PM

SB

“ We grew up together in Central Congregational Church, UCC. Had First Communion and Confirmation together, Went to camp Slumber Falls in Texas together, in college, on summer break we worked together in the French Quarter and when she married I stood in her wedding. We enjoyed a beautiful childhood and our teens and young adulthood together. She will always remain a special friend in my heart. God Bless you Stephanie as you travel on to stand in God's glory in Heaven. May you rest in Peace. I will never forget your laughter and your smile! Stephani Beslin Black, Golden, CO.

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**Stephani Beslin Black** - August 20, 2013 at 02:15 PM

CA

“ Out of state til this pm, so unable to attend services. Worked with Stephanie at federal probation - good woman, whose children meant the absolute world to her. God bless Steph and family, Cindy Arnold

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**cindy arnold** - August 19, 2013 at 07:07 PM

WJ

“ May the heavenly Father bless you and bring home to be at his side. Prayers to the Harrell, and Williams family. May God bless you and keep you safe.

*Love, Willaim Jackson and Family.*

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**William Jackson** - August 19, 2013 at 12:59 PM

LA

“ Its taken me some time to write. Stephanie you will always hold a special place in my heart and in my life. You always made me smile and laugh and I remember how you urged me not to take myself so seriously at Natalie's wedding. Whenever I was down, you sent an email or scripture or joke. I still have the email that you sent me to tell me that you were sending me a National Convention bag. when I received it you had put tons of souvenirs and keepsakes in it. You were always so loving and thoughtful. I remember our long talks on the phone after Katrina. I keep laughing at the memory of the second line lessons that you gave me in the Dominican Republic. But more than anything I will remember the times that you told me that you loved me and that you would be my sister forever. Our line will never be broken and neither will our bond. Your linesisters will honor and cherish you forever. Papillon 15 forever. LaShawn 12-lota-1984

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**LaShawn Ames-McConnell** - August 19, 2013 at 12:26 PM

RH

“ *Richelle Hunter lit a candle in memory of Stephanie Harrell Williams*



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**Richelle Hunter** - August 19, 2013 at 11:05 AM

CF

“ *My deepest condolences and prayers go out to the Harrell family. Cheryl Finlay*

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**Cheryl Finlay** - August 19, 2013 at 10:00 AM

RR

“ *Special condolences to our Harrell Family! We were blessed to know dear Stephanie- a great strong woman! With heartfelt love, Rachel, Patrick and Celeste Roubion*

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**rr** - August 19, 2013 at 09:53 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Stephanie Harrell Williams.*



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August 18, 2013 at 03:37 PM

SP

“ *Sarita Payne lit a candle in memory of  
Stephanie Harrell Williams*



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**Sarita Payne** - August 17, 2013 at 02:10 PM

SP

*I am one of Papillon 15. I am sorry that I am not able to express my condolences in person, but Stephanie will always be remembered for the fun, the laughter, and her bright smile. She possessed a beautiful spirit whose light has left an indelible mark. We love you Stephanie.*

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**Sarita Payne** - August 17, 2013 at 02:18 PM

AF

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4”

*My first opportunity to meet Stephanie was at an Ursuline Academy Junior Varsity*

*Volleyball game at which her daughter Mia*

*played extremely well. I really did not know anyone at the game but Stephanie was exceptionally friendly. As we conversed, it was discovered that we had similar things in common, including several acquaintances. Stephanie was an elegant/sassy dresser, vibrant, a beautiful personality, full of knowledge, always conscious of what she ate or drank, and a Super-Mom for her children Maurice and Mia. As time passed, we became good game buddies and traveling fans of Ursuline's Varsity Volleyball Team where both of our daughters became teammates. Strangely enough Mia and Christal (Kay-Kay) also began to play on the same Blue Crab Volleyball Club team together. Another fond memory was how my first Granddaughter Amina became attached to Stephanie. Stephanie encouraged, motivated, and supported youth to succeed in all their endeavors. She and Mia went the extra mile to support Kay-Kay at one of her Collegiate Volleyball games at SUNO. Their presence at that game will never be forgotten!!*

*It is so evident to me that Stephanie loved her family and cherished every fun moment they shared together. Most importantly, Stephanie believed and had a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Her Faith in GOD was sure!*

*Mia, Maurice, Mom, Twin, Siblings, and MO, it is my prayer that our ALMIGHTY GOD comforts you, that HIS awesome LOVE surrounds you, and that HE will strengthen thine heart. We have hope in knowing that we, as believers in JESUS CHRIST, shall see Stephanie again. We all LOVE YOU! Agnes, Kay-Kay, Amina, and Family*

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**Agnes, Kay-Kay, Amina, and Family** - August 16, 2013 at 10:42 PM

MB

“ My family and I would like to extend our deepest condolences to the Harrell - Williams' family for their loss.

*I was fortunate enough to work for Stephanie as a supervisory probation clerk at the U. S. Probation Office until my retirement in 2004. I have many fond memories of us working together.*

*Mary C. Byers*

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**Mary C. Byers** - August 16, 2013 at 04:39 PM

BG

“ I knew Stephanie through my sister, Robin. They were is high school together and Stephanie spent a great deal of time at our house. I will always remember her for being incredibly kind-hearted and equally as funny. I only saw her a few times in the past years and she was exactly the same. I am very sad and sorry for your loss. Stephanie was very special and will be missed as well as remembered her by all who knew her.

*Bonnie Goldblum*

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**Bonnie Goldblum** - August 16, 2013 at 02:35 PM

OH

“ We will always remember all the weekends we spent with Mia and Kelsey at the volleyball games. You will be missed. Our prayers are with your family and friends. Pete and Osana Hamilton

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**Osana Hamilton** - August 16, 2013 at 10:40 AM

SC

“ The butterfly is so fitting for your beauty inside and out. You will be missed.....Sharon

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**Sharon Charles** - August 16, 2013 at 08:56 AM

JM

“ Will miss your pretty smile. Family you have our deepest condolence. Kenneth and Joy Mimms

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**Joy Mimms** - August 16, 2013 at 08:11 AM

RD

“ If I should die and leave you here a while, be not like others sore undone,  
who keep long vigil by the silent dust. For my sake turn again to life and smile, nerving thy heart and trembling hand to do something to comfort other hearts than thine. Complete these dear unfinished tasks of mine and I perchance may therein comfort you.

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**Reuben DeTiege** - August 15, 2013 at 09:51 PM