



Mrs. Sarah E. Williams

December 20, 1939 - October 7, 2017

Sarah Elizabeth Williams was born in California, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, December 20, 1939.

Sarah was educated in the Daisytown School System. Although Sarah only completed the 8th grade, she would proudly say, "I may only have an 8th grade education, but I can read and write AND I can count my money!" Her sister Naomi moved to Harrisburg, PA, and Sarah soon followed.

Sarah had a passion for people. A homemaker, she took great care of her family. Sarah's family extended beyond her immediate family. She was known in her community as the Queen of the South Nan! Sarah did what Jesus commanded us to do, feed the hungry! She fed everyone who was hungry in her community. She was a mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and a great friend. If there was a family member or just someone she knew who may have been incarcerated, she made sure they received a card and put money on the books. Sometimes, she would mail up to forty cards! She made sure they knew she was thinking about them and that she loved them. Jesus said, when you do this to the least of them, you do it unto me!

In her leisure, Sarah loved cooking, going to the casino, and on Sundays, you could hear her playing her gospel music and cheering for her Dallas Cowboys.

Sarah Williams' legacy of strong family values and commitment will continue to live on through her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

In Harrisburg, PA, at seventy-seven years of age, Sarah passed away on Saturday, October 7, 2017. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lucille and Henry Blackford Bell; daughter, Dawn Williams; sisters, Mamie Mickle, Naomi Williams, Henrietta Biddings, Lucille (Wootah) Bell; and a brother, Charles (Sonny) Bell.

Surviving are her siblings, Judith Bell Brice (James), Edna Williams, Vergil "Joey" Bell (Sonya), Juanita McKnight (Charles), Linda Jackson, Sylvester Bell, all of Harrisburg, Henry Bell Jr. and Cathy Spence (Robert), all of Brownsville, PA; daughters, Vertricia "Trish Ann" Warden (Reginald), Sharon Williams, Gertrude "Gertie" Thomas (John), Brenda Williams, Valice "Muca" Williams; her sons, Aaron Williams, Joseph Williams, all of Harrisburg; her twenty-seven grandchildren, Ronell Sanford, William Sanford, David Sanford, Sarah Williams, Charles Williams, William Hinton, Latisa Powell, Darnell Simpson, Steve McCollum, Erica Spriggs, Anthony Williams, Taijarea Pendelton, Calvin Crawford, Shoulyn Crawford, Caevon Crawford, Joseph Williams, Sylena Mills, Aaron Williams, Leron Williams, Ronnell Brown, Aaron Williams, Maya Eubanks, Jalen Williams, Asiyana Williams, Makaila Williams, Jason Williams, Eternity Bellemy; forty-four great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren and a host of other family members and friends.

Submitted With Our Everlasting Love, The Family

Previous Events

Flower Delivery

OCT 16. 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM (ET)

Bethany A.M.E. Church
912 S. 21st Street
Harrisburg, PA

Viewing

OCT 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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912 S. 21st Street
Harrisburg, PA

Service

OCT 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Dennis & Murlain McKinney lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah E. Williams*



Dennis & Murlain McKinney - October 17, 2017 at 03:04 PM

LC

“ *Lynette (Peaches) Chism lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah E. Williams*



Lynette (Peaches) Chism - October 16, 2017 at 09:51 AM

LC

Williams Family May the Memories of your Dear Mother always be in your Hearts.....God Bless!

Lynette (Peaches) Chism - October 16, 2017 at 09:52 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Sarah E. Williams.*



October 15, 2017 at 01:33 PM

FF

“ Our relationship with Ms Sarah goes back a long way we had some great on Peffer street memories of a lifetime. RIP Ms. Sarah
Chrissy,Annette Fleming



Fleming & Brown Family - October 13, 2017 at 12:28 PM

FF

“ Fleming & Brown Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah E. Williams



Fleming & Brown Family - October 13, 2017 at 12:16 PM

MH

“ miss Sarah was the realist of the real you could sit on her porch for hours and it only feel like a minute I loved her she never left me hungry or thirsty when I would sit at her house real down to earth women....im gonna miss her but her duties on this earth are done she has moved on to the next level

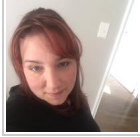
Michael hill - October 13, 2017 at 08:38 AM

TL

“ Tonyka Lugaro purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Sarah E. Williams.



Tonyka Lugaro - October 13, 2017 at 06:49 AM



“ *I know I only met her a few times when I was young but I will always remember her and condolences to all the family. Love you*

Angelet Ball - October 12, 2017 at 10:54 PM

CF

“ *Williams Family my condolences to you all. I had the pleasure of meeting Ms. Sarah through her girls Dawn & Sharon as we grew uptown together. Will always remember her smile. My Prayer for God to give you strength. God Rest Hre Soul.*



Crystal & Woodward Family - October 12, 2017 at 10:24 PM

TL

*To The Williams Family,
I was saddened by the loss of your mother. She was loved by so many but thank God for the fond memories! Mrs. Sarah aka Nan aka a mother/ grandmother to many is going to be dearly. Love you, Mrs. Sarah! Fly High In Heaven!
Tonyka*

Tonyka Lugaro - October 13, 2017 at 06:28 AM

TL

**dearly missed*

Tonyka Lugaro - October 13, 2017 at 06:30 AM

PJ

*To all of your family members sorry for your loss she will be missed by all..She was a very good friend to me always had love in her heart for everyone ...
Will miss you*

Priscilla Jackson - October 14, 2017 at 09:03 AM

WB

Prayers of comfort and support (friend of Theresa)

Wanda Boal

Wanda Boal - October 15, 2017 at 10:56 AM

BM

“ *God loves you all and so do I.*

Barbara mcclain - October 12, 2017 at 05:59 PM

BM

“ *To Gertie and family I will never for get your mother she was wonderful person may God grace keep you all in God unchanging hands he makes no mistakes good loves you and do do i.*



Barbara mcclain - October 12, 2017 at 05:57 PM

KF

“ *Kim Bullock & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah E. Williams*



Kim Bullock & Family - October 12, 2017 at 04:15 PM

JE

“ *A true friend. I have lots of great memories of you and your family. You were my sister bev's second mom. And you always had something cooking when I came to your home and always treated me the same, Very Kind. I will never forget that laugh you had that made me smile. Fly High woman. Love you. <3*

Jeanette - October 12, 2017 at 12:57 PM

LW

“ *My aunt would straighten and curl my hair, before perms. She said sit still so I don't burn you. She was just like my mother. Nobody went hungry in her house. I remember her playing cards uptown. She would beat you, if you were bad. She cuss you out in heart beat. That was my Sarah. I'm going to miss you. Know more suffering. She's and Angel now and forever!* ”

Lavinia (Mommy) Williams - October 12, 2017 at 12:25 PM

JC

“ *Sending my love and prayers your way to the whole family. Ms. Sarah was a Mom/Grandmom to everybody out the South. She will be sorely missed. ~BLESSINGS~* ”

*Love Always,
Metta Easter & Family*



JIMETTA A COLSTON - October 12, 2017 at 11:33 AM

AN

“ *The loss of a mother can never be replaced, but the love of a mother can never be lost.
praying for you and your family* ”

Quniah Beasley



anna - October 12, 2017 at 11:18 AM

AN

“ *May God keep and bless each and everyone of you, and hold on to his undying love. I will keep you in my prayers.*
Love you
Anna Gross Carter



anna - October 12, 2017 at 11:12 AM

SB

Ms Sara was loved by everyone she will be missed but never forgotten .I will keep the family in prayers

Sherry Butler - October 12, 2017 at 12:06 PM

NA

“ *My heart goes out to the Williams family and extended families. Ms. Sarah had an unforgettable personality, and could make anyone laugh. One thing I can remember about her, all the young ladies could identify and communicate with her, she just had that way! Ms. Sarah was nonjudgmental, sassy, smart, and let's not forget she always keep it real! Ms. Sarah you will truly be missed always and forever. Rest in Paradise, job well done!*

Much love to the families,
Natasha Webb Ross

Natasha - October 12, 2017 at 11:08 AM

DM

“ *S I P AUNTIE U WILL BE MISSED, GONE TO SOON.....*



deidre mickle - October 12, 2017 at 11:02 AM

CC

“ I met Sarah and the Bell family when I moved to the Burg in the late 60's. We had many great times at Hudson's, lol, She was a generous and kind person. To the family, God Bless all of you and may God Bless the memory of Sarah Williams.



Chuck Crewsaw

Charles Crewsaw - October 12, 2017 at 11:00 AM

 Travis Belton

“ I was a neighbor of Mrs. Sarah. She always had family in her home, grandchildren running around with the rest of the neighborhood. I remember always coming down just to say hello and she gave the famous "Hi baby". To the family and friends I pray that the peace of God comforts you in this hour of grief. We are always here for support and prayer.

-Pastor Travis Belton

Travis Belton - October 11, 2017 at 11:26 PM

IG

“ I'm sure gonna miss seeing my sweet Ms. Sara out the south & at our favorite spot Hollywood Casino! Nobody makes that baked spaghetti Mac & Cheese like she does (I'm really gonna miss that) That was the only thing that kept me coming to the south (would come buy me and all my kids/grands a dinner when she sold yhem)..... I love you Nan (rest peacefully) 🙏

Iris Gail Govan - October 11, 2017 at 10:49 PM

IG

“ Iris Gail Govan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah E. Williams



Iris Gail Govan - October 11, 2017 at 10:42 PM

EH

“ To my auntie with love!! We didnt see each other much but when we did ...we had a good laughs! You were always a phone call away, never changed your telephone number and like your smile I'll never for it!! Rest easy auntie, your loving legacy will definitely live on! May my family find comfort knowing the Lord needed her more, He seen how tired she was and He gave her rest!! So please comfort their sorrow oh Lord, and fill their hearts with laughter and good memories forever!!



Eula D Huston - October 11, 2017 at 10:14 PM

SJ

“ U will truly b missed the queen os the south.... she made the best cheeseburgers rip ms sarah

sonia “meda” jones - October 11, 2017 at 09:18 PM



“ Nicole Mansfield lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sarah E. Williams



Nicole Mansfield - October 11, 2017 at 07:35 PM