



## FAREWELL TO MY *Gigi*

GiGi", as I look back over the times we had,  
I find myself wondering...

Did I ever hug you enough?

Did I ever kiss you enough?

Did I ever thank you enough for all the things you  
have shown me and done for me?

I still haven't come to the realization that you are  
now gone.

I try pinching myself but that doesn't work.

I try blinking repeatedly, but that doesn't work.

I try to call or text you waiting for a response, but  
that isn't working either.

So maybe this is real?

Maybe this is my life now?

Life without the person who made me feel whole.

I knew the time would come, and I'm happy that  
you're in a better place now...a place without pain.

Thank you for everything you have done for me,  
and I won't stop making you proud!

*Love,  
Your Witchy Pooh*

## *Pallbearers* Pallbearers

## *Repast*

Immediately following the service,  
the family will fellowship with  
relatives and friends at  
6031 Northwest 21st Avenue,  
Miami, Florida 33142  
PLEASE WEAR A MASK



## *Acknowledgements*

Words cannot adequately describe our sincere  
gratitude and appreciation for everyone's generosity  
shown to our family. We appreciate all of your  
prayers, phone calls, cards, bouquets of flowers, and  
financial contributions. You changed our lives by  
touching our hearts.

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dad), Angel birds and everyone who helped to make Jean's  
Celebration of Life memorable.

*Thank you,*

*Shanitra, "Missy," Tamaria," Coco" and Family*

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## *Honoring* THE LIFE, LOVE AND LEGACY OF



## *Margaret Jean Williams*

Sunrise: November 7, 1951 Sunset: January 27, 2023

*Saturday, February 11, 2023 | 11:00AM*

**Friendship Missionary Baptist Church**

740 N.W. 58th Street, Miami, Florida 33127



## LIFE AND LEGACY OF MARGARET JEAN WILLIAMS

*"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7*

On November 7, 1951, a bouncing baby girl was born in Swainsboro, Georgia, to the late Reggie and Calmeta Williams. The proud parents welcomed their first-born daughter, Margaret Jean Williams.

Jean grew up in Miami, Florida and was a true product of Miami Dade County Public Schools System. She began her educational journey in several schools: Phyllis Wheatley Elementary, Frederick Douglass Elementary, Booker T. Washington Senior High, Madison Middle and graduated in the Class of 1971, from the iconic Miami Central Senior High School, Home of the "Mighty Rockets!" She was very popular among her peers and participated in various school activities: Miami Central High School Senate and was honored as Princess Margaret Williams in their 1970-71 traditional Homecoming Court Event. Jean was a shopaholic and a bargain hunter, spent countless hours online shopping for bargain brands.

Upon graduating from high school, Jean was employed as a cashier at Earl's Supermarket. Although she worked in that capacity for a while, she never abandoned a desire to pursue a career in the field of education. Jean furthered her education by attending various colleges and universities: Bethune Cookman (Daytona Beach), Florida Atlantic (Boca Raton), Miami Dade Community College, and graduated from Florida Memorial College in 1984, earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education.

Jean, a longtime member of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, was baptized under the leadership Reverend James E. Jenkins and served as a youth usher and sang in the youth choir. She was always active in the church and continued serving under the pastorage of Reverend Dale L. Powell and our current Pastor-Teacher, Reverend Dr. Gaston E. Smith.

Years later, Jean accepted a teaching position in Miami Dade County Public Schools as a full-time 3100. It was a job she enjoyed, took pride in her work, and earned endearing love and respect from students throughout the years. It was her passion for education that inspired her to mentor and bring out the best in students. After twenty-five years of hard work and dedication, Jean retired from Morningside Elementary School due to triple bypass heart surgery.

Jean was energetic and had a zest for life. To those who knew her well, she was a warm, loving, witty, and kind-hearted individual who touched the lives of so many people. She will be truly missed, but never forgotten.

Honoring her memory, Jean will be affectionately remembered by: a loving daughter, Shanitra Williams (aka Missy), a granddaughter, Tamaria Hammett (aka Coco); Brothers: Reggie Williams (Rene), Terry Williams, Larry Williams, Alvin Williams; Sisters: Barbara W. Johnson, Lynette Henry Williams, Ethel Williams; Two Aunts: Christine Williams of Bellmawr, New Jersey, Willie Mae Williams of Spring, Texas, a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends



## Order of Service

Reverend Dr. Gaston E. Smith,  
Pastor/Teacher, Officiating



Processional

Earth's Final Glance

Selection

Invocation

Scripture Readings ..... Rev. Durrell Knight-Sykes

Solo ..... Morocco Moore

Reflections (please limit to two minutes)

As a Deacon ..... Deacon Milton Devoe

As a Friend ..... Pearl Deslandes

As I Knew Her ..... Jimmy Brown

As a Family ..... Christine Williams (Aunt)

Bellmawr, New Jersey

As a Classmate ..... Neighbor and

Best Friend Felix Williams

Solo ..... Henrietta Knight

Resolution ..... Honeybees and Hornets, Inc.

Regina Miller, President

Special Tribute to my "GiGi" Grandma

Tamaria "Coco" Hammett

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Solo ..... Eleck Williams, Cousin

Words of Comfort ..... Rev. Dr. Gaston Smith

Pastor/Teacher, Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

Recessional