#### Mother Teresa's "Anyway" Poem

People are often unreasonable, illogical and selfcentered;

Forgive them anyway. If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives;

Be kind anyway. If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies;

Succeed anyway. If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; Be honest and frank anyway. What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;

Build anyway. If you find serenity and happiness,they may be jealous;

Be happy anyway. The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;

Do good anyway. Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; Give the world the best you've got anyway. You see, in the final analysis,it is between you and your God; It was never between you and them anyway.

"Gloria's Favorite Poem" 🢧

#### With special thanks from the Shelton family

Thank you so much for all your love and support during such a difficult time. We will be forever grateful.

#### **Interment and Repass**

Bolivar Community Cemetery 398 E McNeal Street, Bolivar, TN 38008 Immediately following Join us for the repass at Campbell Chapel's Fellowship Hall.

> Flower Bearers Nieces, Grand Children, and Special Friends

# The Life and Legacy



# Gloria Hegwood Shelton

July 18, 1948 - Jan 31, 2023

Campbell Chapel M.B. Baptist Church Bolivar, TN February, 11<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 12:00PM

Program by Dornedria Cross Joseph (Ne-Ne)

#### **Obituary**

Gloria Jean Hegwood Shelton, born in Shaw, Mississippi on July 18, 1948 to the late Ada Lee Pitts Manning Whitaker and RD Hegwood. She departed peacefully from this life on January 31, 2023 in Bolivar, TN.

Gloria was the oldest of eleven sisters and two brothers. She was a vibrant child with a mild and meek personality who genuinely cared for everyone. She professed her faith to Christ at an early age. Gloria graduated from McEvans High School in Shaw, MS. After high school, she moved to Fayetteville, TN.

In her early profession, Gloria was a secretary for the Public Health Department before becoming a licensed cosmetologist for 30 plus years.

After meeting the love of her life, Russell Shelton, they married and raised three boys and one girl. In 1987, they eventually moved west to Bolivar, TN. Gloria was an incredibly devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, a faithful servant, and a true Christian leader in her community. She has been a faithful member of Campbell Chapel Missionary Baptist Church where she took pride while serving as Chairperson on the Mother Board, and Harvest Day committee. For 20 years, Gloria hosted the Women's Conference at her church each May around Mother's Day.

Gloria leaves precious memories to her three wonderful children Anthony (Angie) Shelton, Steve (Anita) Shelton, DaRhonda (Charlie) Bell and one daughter-in law (Lori) Shelton. She leaves behind (16) grandkids (25) great grandkids, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, & friends. She also leaves behind her 9 sisters, 2 brothers & a stepmother\*: Queen (Alvin) Palmer (IN), Martha Greer, Everlyn Humphrey, Sharon Whitaker (TN) Teresa Manning (AL), Audrey Clay, Elaine Bowen, Olivia Johnson, Pinkie\* & Randy Hegwood Jr.(IL) Phyllis Hegwood (AZ), and RL Barrett (MS).

Three loving sister-in-laws Wilma Johnson, Ella Glover, Susie Knott and two devoted brother-in-laws, Andrew (Christine) Shelton & Mickey (Sherry) Shelton.

She is preceded in death by her sister Arnesta "Wankie" Hicks, her son Geoffrey Shelton, and her grandson Stevie Shelton.









## Tributes

#### Grandmama, you will be missed. Your smile, your words of encouragement, and your leadership will not be forgotten.

Dornedria C. Joseph, Amber and Peyton Shelton, Nathaniel Jordan, Neil Lyttle, Monta Bell, Alexius, Antonio, Kortez and D'Vonte Shelton, Shania Shelton Drayenisha Landers, Jamarlon Askins, Denzel & Anitria High, Heather Green & Elizabeth Womble (Your grandchildren)

Moms, I am forever grateful for the late-night talks, the comforting and uplifting bible verses, and your cooking lessons over the phone. You told me to be a great father and a strong leader for my family. Thank you. *Anthony Shelton (Son)* 

"In life, we loved you dearly, in death we love you still. In our hearts you hold a place, no one else will." I love you Mom with words and pictures. *Steven Shelton (Son)* 

My Bonus Mom impacted me greatly she added to my life with the blueprint of faith. During the journey we had many talks and she shared with me that she hadn't ask GOD why because she trusted him. I will forever be changed by that conversation. I believe God has healed her and she will forever be watching over me. DaRhonda Bell (Daughter)



*'Gloria'* 'There are some people in life that make you LAUGH a little louder,

**SMILE** a little bigger and **LIVE** just a little bit better'



"The Ketchup to my French fries, the Cream to my Coffee and the Tylenol to my Headache"

-Gloria's words of affection to Russell-



#### A VIRTUOUS WOMAN Proverbs 31: 10-11; 25-30

10 Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. 11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her so that he shall have no need of spoil. Strength and honour are her clothing, and she shall rejoice in time to come. 26 She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. 27 She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. 28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. 29 Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. 30 Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

## Order of Service

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will direct your path. Proverbs 3:5-6

Processional **Opening Remarks** 

**Musical Selection Old Testament Scripture** Reading

**New Testament Scripture** Reading Prayer

**Musical Selection** Obituary **Resolutions and** Acknowledgements

Reflection and Memories -2 minutes please -

Solo Eulogy Recessional

**Peyton Shelton Cornelius Lyttle** 

Pallbearers Antonio Shelton Dallas Joseph

**Honorary Pallbearers** 

**Roland Rayner** 

Montorias Black J'Darvous Cross

Michael Humphrey Antonio Manning Earl Reynolds Woods Family Viewing Pastor William Young, Pastor of Campbell Chapel Church Campbell Chapel Choir Bishop Jessie Eugene Williams, Retired Pastor of Campbell Chapel Church

Reverend Thomas Whitford, Asst. Pastor **Campbell** Chapel Reverend Eugene Bowden, Pastor of Oak Hill **Baptist Church Campbell Chapel Choir** Please read silently (soft music) Ms. Yvonne Irons

Mother Board-Poem, Virtuous Woman, Mother Louise Coby Friend -Mrs. Deborah Fuller Thank You-I'Daryous Cross The Family- Dornedria (Ne-Ne) Cross Joseph Ms. Betty Sue Walker **Pastor William Young** The Last Mile of the Way

Larry Minter Fred Franklin William Manning Johnny Williams Leon McNeal