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Reaching  
Through  
Music*



*Family Acknowledgment*

*The Family of Sharon Newport wishes to thank all of you for  
your continued support and love. God bless you all.*



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*"The Beauty of a Song"*

*We Celebrate Your Life and Love of Music*



*Mrs. Sharon Newport*

Sunrise: January 18, 1952      Sunset: October 9, 2021

Alford's Mortuary

1222 Napier Street • South Bend, Indiana 46601

Pastor Roscoe Jackson, Officiating



## *Her Story of Love*

Sharon Newport, 69, renowned Blues Hall of Fame recipient, passed away peacefully on October 9, 2021 at her residence after a lengthy illness.

Sharon was born January 18, 1952 in South Bend, Indiana to Aleck and Marie Braylock, Sr. Her father Aleck Braylock preceded her in death; along with two siblings: Ann Braylock and Aleck Braylock, Jr.

Sharon was a 1970 Washington High School graduate and she received her associate degree from Ivy Tech College. She was a Blues artist and musician for over 50 years.

Sharon received 9 Indie Music Awards, two Who's Who Awards and she was inducted into the Blues Hall of Fame. She traveled to France, Spain, Belgium, Luxembourg, England, Wales and all over the world and she recorded numerous albums. She received the Lifetime Achievement Award from The Indie Music Channel. She performed several times at The House of Blues in Los Angeles, California.

Her passions were painting, story telling and teaching music. She taught for 6 years guitar for The Alabama Blues Project.

Sharon survivors include her husband James D. Newport of Irondale, Alabama, her mother Marie Braylock of South Bend, Indiana, one daughter Barbara Harges of Phoenix, Arizona, two sons Deamon (Janeen) Harges and Andy Harges both of Indianapolis, Indiana, 10 grandchildren DeJanae Harges, McKeith Pearson, Afonya Mason, Destiny Adams, Andi Harges, Taj (Haylee) Moore, Aja Harges, Tierra (Arminda) Urban, Aftyn Mason and Shanethea Harges, 14 great grandchildren, one sister Marilyn Braylock of South Bend, Indiana, a host of nephews Ambrose Jenkins, Anthony Braylock, Uriah Taylor and Brandon Braylock, nieces Chavella (James) Price, Twilah (Rob) Debose and Simone Jenkins, an aunt Rosie Brittan along with other relatives and friends.

## *The Order of Service*

Saturday, October 16, 2021 • 4:00 p.m.

### *Alford's Mortuary*

Pastor Rosco Jackson, Officiating

Prayer ..... Pastor Rosco Jackson

### *The Holy Scriptures*

Old Testament Reading ..... Pastor Rosco Jackson

New Testament Reading..... Pastor Rosco Jackson

Selection..... James House

Reading of the Obituary.....Charles Braylock

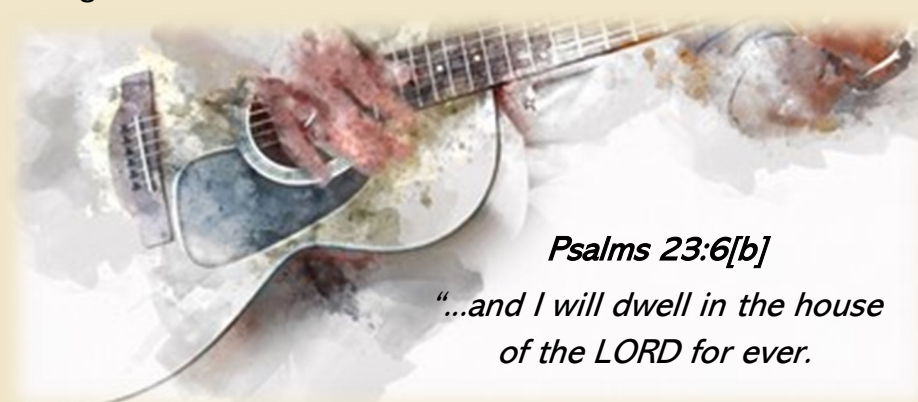
Remarks..... Family and Friends

Selection: *"I Am Your Child"* ..... Mighty Clouds of Joy [CD]

Eulogy..... Deamon Harges [Her Son]

—Committal—

Closing ..... Pastor Rosco Jackson



***Psalms 23:6[b]***

*"...and I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD for ever.*