

# *A Celebration of Life*

## *In honor of*



*Mrs. Shari Deloris Walker Wilder*

*February 11, 1963 - May 23, 2020*

Psalm 118:24 This is the day which the Lord hath  
made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. KJV

*Celebration of Life Services*

*Saturday, June 13, 2020*

*2:00 pm*

*Visitation*

*Friday, June 12, 2020*

*4:00 pm - 7 pm*

*at*

*Truth in Love Ministries*

*1989 Dunn Avenue*

*Jacksonville, FL 32218*



Pastor William Cobie Nesbitt III

## ***LIFE REFLECTIONS***

Shari Deloris (Walker) Wilder was born in Chicago, IL on Monday, February 11, 1963. Her parents, Mable D. (Pelt) Walker Ledom and Charles D. Brewer Sr. both preceded her in death. In addition to her mother, Shari was raised by a village that included her maternal grandmother Mary A. Pelt and godmother Vera Luster who both preceded her in death.

Shari was lovingly called “Sheki Mama” and “Sherry Berry” by her family. Her sisters and brothers loved her deeply and their bond grew as the years passed. Shari grew up in Chicago but moved to MN in later years where she graduated from Southwest High School in Minneapolis. She initially attended Dillard University in New Orleans then transferred to Lewis University in Romeoville IL where she graduated from the College of Nursing & Health Sciences in 1985. Shari’s career as a Registered Nurse enabled her to practice her God given gifts and helped her become an excellent caregiver during her husband’s illness.

While in MN, Shari met the love of her life. She was helping her sister with a company picnic and dropped the paper plates she was carrying. Norman picked them up and introduced himself to her and shortly after graduating from college, they were married on January 1, 1986 in Jackson MS. Shari’s great uncle would not allow them to take the marriage license with them because he wanted to mail it in to ensure it was valid. To this union was born three beautiful girls, Joy, April and Rose whom she adored.

In addition to being a loving wife and mother, Shari was an avid animal lover. She volunteered at No More Homeless Pets where she was known for her upbeat positive nature. She worked with Florida Service Dogs Inc. with two poodles whose names were Gigi (whom she named) and Thor. She was in the process of becoming certified to receive a service dog who would help her in her daily life. Her mentor spoke highly of her saying “she was such a joy to be around and work with and was such a beautiful woman.” She loved her family and checked in often with her older aunts and uncles. She enjoyed spending time with family and friends. Anytime there was an opportunity to travel, Shari was ready to go, she was always up for a new adventure. She enjoyed the ocean and going to the beach on the weekends or simply listening to ocean meditation music.

Shari was an incredibly special person; she was in the world but truly not of the world. She had a kind gentle spirit, very humble and soft spoken. These were strengths that God gave her to help her navigate through this life. As she matured, Shari grew in wisdom and was willing to share with anyone who would listen. God blessed her with a calm inner strength. Shari was baptized when she was young but chose to be baptized again in 2019 after uniting with Truth in Love Ministries.

Shari transitioned to eternal life on Saturday, May 23, 2020 in a traffic accident in Orlando, FL. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her godmother Vera Luster, a sister Sabrina (Walker) Dease, a brother Laundell Brewer and her son-in-law Damian Head who passed away in the same accident.

Shari leaves to cherish her memories: Her devoted husband Norman C. Wilder of Jacksonville FL, her stepmother Earnesteen Brewer of Mason TN, Three daughters: Joy Wilder-Head of Jacksonville FL, April (Brian) Stoutamire of Atlanta GA, Rose Wilder of Gainesville FL, Five Step-children: Tondalaya, Parsha, Lakeisha, Christopher, and Renardo, Fifteen grandchildren: Javarious, Jartavia, Jariyah, Azayla-Ray, Malcom, Donovan and nine more, One Great-grand child, Five sisters: Beverly Walker of Fresno CA, Felicia Walker Pratt of Jacksonville FL, Yvonne (Paul) Abraham of Stockbridge GA, Claudia Williams of Millington TN, Eva Murrell of Oakland TN, Seven brothers: Kenneth (Genia) Brown Sr. and Duane Pelt both of Chicago IL, Leon Murrell of Somerville TN, Charles D. Brewer, Jr of Memphis TN, Travis J. Brewer of Decatur GA, Nicholas D. Brewer of Mason TN, and Robert Hayes of Las Vegas NV, and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

# Order of Service

Presiding - Jerome Wright, Truth in Love Ministries

Processional ..... Truth in Love Praise Team

Opening Selection..... Truth in Love Praise Team

Opening Prayer .....Pastor Newton Pelt IV  
Maryland Gospel Assembly  
Brandywine, MD

Old Testament Scripture .....Psalm 118:19-24  
Barbara Graves, Truth in Love Ministries

New Testament Scripture .....1 Corinthians 15:51-58  
Romano L Johnson, Truth in Love Ministries

Solo ..... John H. Pelt  
“Amazing Grace”

Special Tribute ..... April Stoutamire

Reflections ..... Joy Wilder-Head  
April Stoutamire  
Rose Wilder  
Tonya Hammock  
Siblings

Obituary ..... Felicia Pratt

Acknowledgements/Resolution.....Jeanilla Lass

Selection..... Truth in Love Praise Team

Words of Comfort.....Pastor William Cobie Nesbitt III

Recessional

*Celebration of Life*  
*One Ocean Resort & Spa*  
*June 13th 4pm-7:30pm*  
*\*\*Balloon Ceremony 6:30pm\*\**  
*One Ocean Boulevard/Atlantic Beach FL 32233*

## *My Love, My Wife, My Friend*

I met my beautiful wife at a company picnic, and we started our 39-year love affair at 31 Flavors Baskin Robbins and ended at Dreamette in FL with a new beginning in heaven.

Our relationship was tested when she went away to college in Louisiana. She left behind an extra-large picture of herself and stereo equipment. We talked until one hot summer when she worked in Chicago IL and I worked in Joliet IL, our relationship bloomed. She relocated to IL and we later married and moved to Minneapolis MN and had great careers. We built our first home in Minneapolis. We had the option to live on an island or in an urban area. She chose the urban area and that is where we built. We had three wonderful children who enhanced our family. Our careers moved us to Wisconsin where we built our second home together. We had an opportunity to develop our business careers and later moved to Jacksonville Florida. Shari retired when the children went to college. We bought a rehab and enjoyed ice cream together. Until we meet again.....



## *Grandma, We Remember*



## *Mother, We Remember*

### **Joy Wilder-Head:**

One of my fondest memories was simply spending “Mother/Daughter” quality time, whether it was sitting and talking about life or merely going to the grocery store, it is those precious moments that I will always cherish.

### **April Stoutamire:**

My fondest memories of my mother who I lovingly called Madre, were of her exuberant and free spirited nature. She was bubbly, silly, funny and could even be sassy at times (which I loved!). Her nickname for me growing up had been "Slimer" but as the years went on, she affectionately called me "Apo". She was full of life and shined so bright, even on the darkest of days. She always reminded me of how bright I shown, and she never let me underestimate my willingness to succeed. She was so very giving and compassionate. We often discussed our "small acts of kindness" with each other. These acts were our way of making the world a little brighter one step at a time which is something she and I loved to do. I will forever hold dear in my heart our special bond. I understood who she was and in turn she understood me and who I wanted to be. She was a force of love and I am so incredibly blessed to have had her stand proud at my wedding and see me walk down the aisle. She was there with me every step of the way beaming with joy. She was there again for my first born with patience and reassurance as her presence was immeasurable. It was in those moments I understood not only her capacity to love but the unconditional love of my dearest Madre. I will always miss her, but I know that she is still with me every step of the way smiling just the same.

### **Rose Wilder:**

I will always cherish our mother daughter talks. My mom had a way of bringing light and laughter to any topic. It was magical. And no matter how big or small my accomplishments, we celebrated them with an immense amount of joy and “Yay, Rosie!, Yay, Rosie!, Yay, Rosie! ” It is funny because even at 27-years-old, our mini celebrations always made me giggle and jump with pride. It was like I retreated to my 5-year-old self and the world had no barriers or obstacles. My mom’s pride made me feel invincible and my mom’s spirit filled me with hope. My fondest memory is when I caught my mom dancing to Robin Thicke’s “Lost Without U.” I stood in the doorway and watched her belt out the lyrics as her arms and legs glided back and forth. Her smile, her energy simply lit up the room because there she stood - fierce, happy, and free.

## *Sister, We Remember*

**Claudia Williams:**

“For God gave us not a spirit of fearfulness; but of power and love and discipline.”

2 Timothy 1:7 Shari, I will always have your love in my heart. Love Claudia

**Robert Hayes:**

When we conversed, you lightened up my life. (Gods Angel) Love Robert



**Yvonne Abraham:**

To Shari, my baby sister and twin. I will always miss you and love you.  
Thank you for being easy to love. Yvonne

**Kenneth Brown:**

A life well lived is a special gift, of hope and strength and grace,  
from someone who has made our world a brighter, better place.  
It's filled with moments, sweet and sad with smiles and sometimes tears,  
With relationships formed and good times shared, and laughter through the years.  
A life well lived is a legacy of joy and pride and pleasure,  
A living lasting memory our grateful hearts will treasure. Your Loving Brother

Memorial Garden planted in Chicago Heights, IL by Shari's cousins. There is a glow in the dark cross that represents the ascension of Shari's soul. Heaven earned an angel.



## *Memories in Picture*



## *Pallbearers*

Friends of the Family

## *Flower Attendants*

Church Members, Family and Friends

## *Words of Appreciation*

With grateful and thankful hearts, we offer our thanks to all of you who have helped to share in our time of bereavement. We extend heartfelt gratitude to the many loved ones and friends who have found so many ways to express their love and concern during this difficult time in our lives. Your prayers, visits, calls, messages, flowers, consoling attitudes, food and other acts of kindness have all been sources of strength and comfort. For this, we say thank you and may God's richest blessings be with you.

The Family of Shari Deloris Wilder

## *Celebration at the Beach*

One Ocean Resort & Spa

One Ocean Blvd/Atlantic Beach, FL 32233

June 13, 2020 4pm - 7:30 pm

## *Services Entrusted to:*

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