



PALLBEARERS & FLORAL BEARERS

Friends & Family

"TO OUR GIRL SHIRL"

You lived a life overflowing with love and laughter. We are grateful for the legacy you left behind even after the toughest chapter.

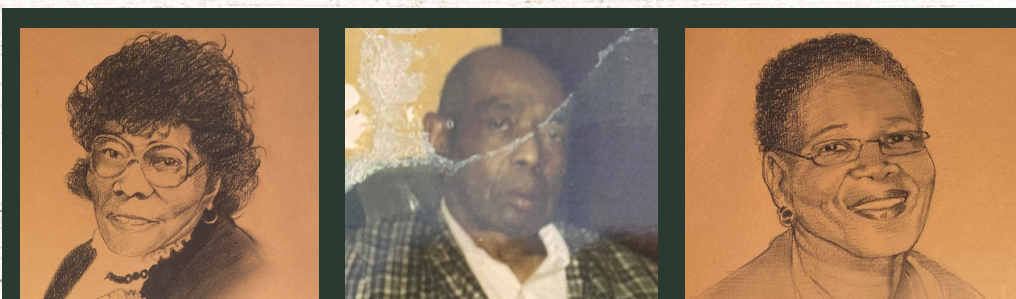
Though we didn't want to let you go, you knew best. Your dash was complete and you were ready to take your final rest.

You always told us it's not how much time you have, it's what you do with it, and for that great reason we will live each day to the fullest just like you told us. We love you endlessly and you are forever our girl!

Love, Charles and The Girls

REPAST

State Street Community Church Fellowship Hall
1200 South State Street, Raleigh, NC 27610



Keep praising God and giving him the glory until we meet again!



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Whitaker Family would like to thank each of you for all the acts of kindness you have shown during the illness and loss of our loved one. A special thanks to Dr. Allan Kritz, Rex Cancer Center and Mrs. Denise Patterson.

Professional Services Entrusted to:
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Shirley

PULLEY WHITAKER

January 23, 1952
September 28, 2022

A faithful
servant of
God!

CELEBRATING HER LIFE

Wednesday, October 5, 2022
11:00 A.M.

Mount Peace Missionary Baptist Church
1601 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard
Raleigh, North Carolina 27610

Officiating
Reverend Dr. J. Vincent Terry, Pastor



Shirley PULLEY WHITAKER

On Wednesday, September 28, 2022, God saw fit to pick one of his most beautiful and precious flowers from his garden of life to take to his eternal home.

Mrs. Shirley Jean Pulley Whitaker was born in Wake County to the late Odell Pulley, Sr., and Lila Gill Pulley on January 23, 1952. She departed this life on September 28, 2022 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was the 11th of 13 children.



Shirley attended Wake County Public Schools and graduated from Enloe High School in Raleigh, North Carolina. She also attended and graduated from Hardbarger Business College in Raleigh, North Carolina, which prepared her for a 30-year career with North Carolina State University in the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering.

Shirley's home church Mount Pleasant Baptist Church is where she first received Christ and was baptized. In 2002 under the direction of the Holy Spirit, Shirley, as one of the founding members, and her family joined Loving Word Missionary Baptist Church where she served faithfully with the Youth Ministry, Sunday School and President of the Spiritual Chorus. She loved praising God and giving God the glory! Shirley continued to support the Church, even after being led to join Mount Peace Baptist Church where she also served faithfully. Her journey led her to return to Loving Word Baptist Church and she and Brother Charles rejoined LWBC on January 3, 2021, where they continued to serve faithfully.

Shirley was a loving wife, mother, sister, aunt, sister-in-law, and friend. She leaves to cherish and honor her memory: her loving husband of 45 years, Charles Edward Whitaker, three daughters, Chandra, Charlseas and Krystal all of the home. Four sisters: Lila M. Hunter, Pastor Joyce Pulley-Hinton (Thurmon), Annette Jones (Arthur), and Sandra P. Womack, all of Raleigh, NC; one brother, Willie E. Pulley (Sandra) of Raleigh; one sister-in-law, Pamela Johnson of Raleigh, NC, two brothers-in law, Eddie Becknell of Raleigh and André Johnson of Baltimore, MD and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends, including a special god-daughter, Davon H. Grant and great god-daughter, Emersyn Grant.



Dr. Telika McCoy, Presider
Mount Peace Baptist Church

Musical Prelude
Sister Roberta Millhouse

Processional
Clergy and Family

Moments of Visitation (10:30 AM – 11:00 AM)

Opening Selection
Sister Roberta Millhouse

Scripture Readings
Reverend Dr. Phillip Pulley, Pastor
Congregational Holy Church
Old Testament/New Testament

Prayer of Comfort
Reverend William Morgan, Retired Pastor
Bethlehem Baptist Church



ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Selection
Brother Terry Little

Reflections (2 minutes)
Niece and Caregiver: Denise Patterson
Daughters: Charlseas and Kyrstal Whitaker
Siblings and Loving Word Baptist Church:
Pastor Joyce Pulley-Hinton

Acknowledgements
Sister Sherri Lindsay

Obituary (Read Silently)

Musical Selection
Sister Roberta Millhouse

Eulogy
Reverend Dr. J. Vincent Terry, Sr.

Recessional

Interment
Carolina Biblical Gardens
1530 Creech Road, Garner, NC 27529

