

I AM FREE

I am free Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following paths God made for me

I took his hand I heard him call

Then turned, and bid farewell to all

I could not stay another day

To laugh, to love, to sing, to play

Tasks left undone must stay that way

I found my peace... at close of play

And if my parting left a void

Then fill it with remembered joy

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss

Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened... deep with sorrow

I wish you sunshine of tomorrow

My life's been full I've savoured much

Good friends, good times

A loved one's touch

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief

Don't lengthen it now with grief

Lift up your hearts and share with me,

God wants me now...

He set me free.



PALLBEARERS

Nick Caldwell Jerrod Kenneth Howard

Dexter Davis Calvin Morton

Kaderius Felder Jayden Shorter

Jeremy Haugabook Santez Simmons

Marquez Hillman Cornell Tucker

Malarius Rashad Walker

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Robert Green Kenneth Stokeling

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

COUSINS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family wishes to express heartfelt appreciation for your prayers, support and acts of kindness shown during our time of bereavement. We thank each of you for coming to help bear our grief. May God bless you and Heaven smile upon you.

The Family

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FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

FEBRUARY 14, 1991 ~ MARCH 3, 2024



SHARLINDA

Watkins

Friday, March 8, 2024 | 11:00a.m.

Edwards Small Mortuary

1101 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive - Fort Valley, Georgia

Minister Dexter Davis, Officiant
Pastor Otha Wright, Eulogist

REMEMBERING SHY

Sharlinda Jaquay Samas (Watkins) was born on February 14, 1991 to the parentage of Linda Watkins and Mitchell Samas.

She was born and raised in Perry, GA; then later moved to Fort Valley, GA. She accepted Christ at an early age. She joined Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church. While a patient at Navicent in Macon where she rededicated her life to Christ.

Sharlinda or “Shy” as she was affectionately called was a very loving “Autie” figure to all children. A loving daughter, sister, cousin and friend. Those who came in contact with her were immediately impacted by her radiance and energy. Shy always opened her home to family and friends. Making memories with family and friends was a favorite pastime.

Sharlinda was preceded in death by her grandmother, Mary F. Watkins and her loving Nana, Connie Harris.

Sharlinda leaves to mourn her passing, but rejoice in peace: mother: Linda Watkins (Wilbur) Perry, GA; her “Pops” Jimmy Thomas, Perry, GA; brothers: Robert Brown, III (Arrielle), Summerville, SC; JaDarius Thomas, Perry, GA; sister: Nyuandria Simmons, Fort Valley, GA; aunts: Carolyn Thompson (Dirk), Hickory, NC; Laverne Michel (Michael), Brooklyn, NY; Rosa Williams (Finley) and Carla Woolfolk (Alex) both of Warner Robins, GA; Angela Smith (Lorenzo) Warner Robins, GA; Vita Samas, Americus, GA; very devoted uncles: Jimmy Washington (Denise) and Tracy Stripling (Angela) both of Perry, GA; paternal uncles: Hulo Samas (Veronica), Victor Samas; Michael Samas (Celes) all of Americus, GA; niece: Journey Prindle-Brown, Summerville, SC; nephews: Greyson Houston, Fort Valley, GA; Kingston Brown, Summerville, SC; very devoted friends: D’audra Dewberry, Jameshion Mecy Childs (Lionel); Somerial Haugabook (Jeremy), Sheena Butler, Malarius Walker, Shakevia Rumph, Jazzmine Felton, Kaderius Felder along with a host of other relatives and many friends.



ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL & LAST VIEWING

Clergy, Family, & Friends

SELECTION

Sis. LaShanda Mathis

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament

Minister Dexter Davis

New Testament

Pastor Al Sanders

PRAYER

Sis. Deonza Wright

POEM

Sis. Linda Watkins

REFLECTIONS

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SELECTION

Sis. LaShanda Mathis

SILENT READING OF OBITUARY

EULOGY

Pastor Otha Wright

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