Order of Service

Saturday, April 20, 2024, 11AM PIPKIN BRASWELL CHAPEL OF PEACE

> 6601 East Colfax Avenue Denver, Colorado 80220

Archbishop Dr. D.P. Taylor, Officiant | Eulogist

Processional......Tara Washington Everette | Nathaniel Black "A Family That Prays Together"

Parting Memories......Pipkin Braswell Directors

Comfort From the Scripture.......Minister

## Old Testament | New Testament

Prayer of Solace......Minister

Musical Selection......Tara Washington-Everette | Nathaniel Black "The Battle Is the Lord's"

Acknowledgements, Condolences......Pipkin Braswell Director

## Video Tribute

Family Tributes

Our Gratitude......2-Minute Remarks

Musical Selection......Tara Washington-Everette | Nathaniel Black "Take Me To the King"

Eulogy......Archbishop Dr. D.P. Taylor

## Pipkin Braswell Directors

"I Shall Wear a Crown"

Recessional......Tara Washington Everette | Nathaniel Black "Don't Cry For Me"

Reception to follow immediately after service

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

During a time like this, we learn how much our friends really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be treasured.

May God richly Bless each of you. The family of Shirley A. Pulling.

The Family Received Personal Care from the Staff of



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"When Someone You Love Becomes A Memory; The Memory Becomes A Treasure."





Life's Tourney

Shirley A. Pulling was born on February 9, 1951 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas to her parents, Annie Mae Briggs Carroll and George Pittman. She was the fifth child of thirteen born to the family. As a child, it was tradition that she would help to take care of her siblings, therefore every morning she would get them ready for school and her brothers would walk them.

Shirley was educated through the Pine Bluff School District, where she attended Southeast High School. She was a whiz at math and known to challenge anyone. One of her proud accomplishments was being a part of the majorette program.

Shirley began her own family with the birth of her two sons born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. Shirley then moved to Illinois where she was later blessed with the birth of four daughters. Looking for new opportunities, Shirley moved her family to Denver, Colorado with her mother.

During this time, she earned a certificate in home health care and was employed by Denver Human Services. She later opened up a practice called "Walk With Me" where she appropriately took care of other people which has always been her passion. She started United Parent Association, a non-profit organization that she devoted her time to fighting for the rights of kids in public school systems. In later years, she was blessed to enjoy her own grandchildren. She dedicated her time to taking care of them and was affectionately known as "G Mom". Shirley's grandchildren loved to be around her, learning how to cook and listening to all the stories of her youth. Each one of them looked forward to getting advice from her and found comfort in knowing that she loved them unconditionally.

Those that knew Shirley best describe her as a phenomenal woman, someone in the community that anyone could come to and talk to. She was known to have taken people in who needed her at any time. She never met a person that was truly a stranger. "Hi baby" was her signature greeting to anyone she encountered along with a friendly wave.

Shirley was known for many delectable dishes and would often prepare meals or desserts for individuals who would ask. She was willing to teach others how to make her signature desserts including sweet potato pie and peach cobbler. Up until her last days, people would still request for her to make these items.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Annie Mae Briggs Carroll; father, George Pittman; siblings, Tommy Lee Pittman, John Anthony Carroll, Jerome Carroll, Barbara Jean Smith, Alvie Dean Carroll, Aloia Eloise Ricks, and Willie Allen Carroll.

She is survived by her six children, Ray (Gail) Pulling, Henry (Dede) Pulling, Chawanda Pulling, Tasha (Damaur) Pulling, LaTwon Pulling, and Tamika Pulling; siblings, Mildred Carroll Sorrells, Samuel Earl (Kathleen) Carroll, Joseph Barry Carroll, Joyce Marie Carroll, and Linda Diane Carroll; aunt, Linnie Belle Briggs-Gordon; sister-in-law's, Mary Carroll and Carolyn Carroll; grandchildren, Deion, Jr., Alecia, Oshanee', Damajahnee, R'Manie, Khyaire, Jace, Daiyah, Kaylie and D'Asia; 3 great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Although Heaven has gained an angel, she will truly be missed.



I read of a man who stood to speak at the funeral of a friend He referred to the dates on the tombstone from the beginning...to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth and spoke the following date with tears, but he said what mattered most of all was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time that they spent alive on earth. And now only those who loved them know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own -the cars...the house...the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
and how we spend our dash.

So, think about this long and hard.
Are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left that can still be rearranged.

If we could just slow down enough to consider what's true and real, and always try to understand the way other people feel.

And be less quick to anger and show appreciation more, and love the people in our lives like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile, remembering this special dash might only last a little while.

So, when your eulogy is being read with your life's actions to rehash, would you be proud of the things they say about how you spent YOUR dash?







