# A Celebration for the Life and Spirit Of



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Sister Annette Faye Shackelford

Saturday ~ July 19, 2024 ~ 10:00 AM

# Williams Memorial Chapel

712 North Avenue C Elgin, Texas 78621

Under the Auspices of

Good Tree Missionary Baptist Church 4119 Ramona Avenue Dallas, Texas 75216

Reverend Donnie Dewberry, Sr., Eulogist Reverend Tyree King, Officiant

## Obituary ~ "...one thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see."

The epitome of elegance and steadfast faith, Sister Annette Faye Sneed Shackelford entered Eternal rest on July 12, 2024, with her Pastor at her bedside.

Annette Faye Sneed was born on February 17, 1958, to Annie L. Sneed and TJ Black in Austin, Texas. She was the third child and second-born twin. Annette attended public schools in Austin, such as Blacksher Elementary School, Kealing Junior High, and Reagan High School, where she graduated in 1976. Upon graduation, Annette moved to Dallas to further her education at Dallas Community College.

Annette had a strong Christian foundation and accepted Christ at an early age under the leadership of Brother Bill Jones at the Church of the New Testament. She was baptized under the Montopolis Bridge in the Colorado River in Austin, Texas. As she became more settled in Dallas and decided to make it home, Annette united with Good Tree Baptist Church under Reverend Donnie Dewberry, Sr.'s leadership. Her extreme hospitality and friendship were felt among the church and community members. Sister Shackelford was a loving, spiritual woman who feared the Lord but loved him dearly.

Annette was employed by the Dallas County School District for thirty years. When she could no longer drive, she became a monitor until she could no longer walk on her own, going on disability in 2015 and later retiring in December 2023.

Awaiting her arrival in Glory are her parents and both sets of grandparents; her brother Wayne Sneed, Sr.; and her Uncles Warren, Thurman "John" Charles, Vernon Jr., and Emanuel "Dee" Sneed.

Sister Shackelford's beautiful life will forever be cherished by her twin sister, Anita and her husband, Sam Pamplin of Austin, and her baby sister, Gloria Tucker of Waco; her uncle, Bobby L. Sneed, Sr., her aunts, Viola Searcy of Del Valle, Charlene and her husband, Leroy Simon of Seguin, and Virginia Guyton of Dallas; nieces, LaTorya, (Searcy) Jacobs of Austin, Fatrese (Archie) Mardis of Fort Worth, Sharica (TuSweet) Demar of Waco; nephews, LaMont Pamplin of Austin and Stanley (Diane) Pimpton, Jr. of Waco; Godsons Donnie Dewberry Jr and Reginald D'Andre Kelly of Dallas; Goddaughter, Olivia Joi of Dallas; special niece Kaylah Jacobs of Austin; six great-nieces, three great-nephews; two great-great-nieces; and a host of cousins, and other relatives and friends, including her Good Tree Church family.

Dear Sister,

I've known you longer than anyone besides Mama. We've gone through a lot together from birth to graduation. I had to let you go and experience life, and now I have to let you go again this time to be with God the Father. I already miss my phone calls, especially my Sunday calls before church. We would talk, you would be ready for Reverend Dewberry to pick you up and I would just be getting out of bed trying to get ready. I shall forever hold you in my heart along with the memories.

I no longer have anyone to fight with like sisters do, so I guess Kendra will have to do. Know that I love and miss you, until we meet again on the other side.

Love your big sister,

Nita

Annette,

I think of you with love today. I thought about you yesterday and the days before that. My memories of your smile will last a lifetime. The sound of your voice, I will continue to hear you saying "Gloria, this is your sister, give me a call back when you get this."

God has you in His arms now and I will continue to have you in my heart.

Your Baby Sister, Gloria

Auntie,

Thank you for everything. I'm going to miss you and the times we had together, especially going to your church. I can hear you saying, "this my niece!" You were an example of what strength looked like, never letting your vision, health, or any situation get to you as you would say "I'm not afraid." You told me, "Kaylah, you keep your head up and do what you're supposed to do," and I'm going to do just that for you, Auntie! The day before you went Home to be with the Lord, you cried telling me how

much you loved me, and I said it back as many times as you said, "I love you, Kaylah, you were always my baby," and I hope you knew how much I love you. Get your rest, Auntie, and I will see you on the other side, kiss Granny for me.

Your niece, Kaylah

Annette,

"To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." Although you're no longer here with me in body, your spirit will forever echo in my heart. You left your thumbprint of LOVE on ME. A selfless, loving, giving, resilient, strong Woman of God. Our last moments together and your last words to me will forever be in my heart. I miss you, and I love you so much.

Your cousin,

Kendra







# At A Glance...

















#### No Tears

Please do not cry For this is not good-bye. You'll see me again For with Christ I did win. So please don't shed a tear, Just listen with your heart and ears. I fought the battle hard and long It's OK because now I'm gone. I'm gone to be with Christ the King And to hear the Angels sing

So if you must cry, don't be sad For the Bible says, "Rejoice and be Glad!" I must go now,

It's getting late

I'm now standing at Heaven's gate

So please no tears,

I repented and He forgave my sins

And now I'm on my way in.

The door was open then, and it's open now And if you're not ready don't wait too late For if you do, you won't see the Pearly Gates.

No more tears.







### **Celebration Service**

Officiant ~ Pastor Tyree King

Greater Swenson Grove Baptist Church - Austin, Texas

Melodic Reminiscence

Memorial DVD

Prelude

Sister Alicia Land

Processional

Clergy, Casket Bearers, and Family

Sealing the Casket Annette's Sisters

Reading of the Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer

Celebration Song

Resolution

Reflections

Reverend Ronald Carter Reverend Carl Zachary

Reverend Donnie Dewberry, Jr.

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Alexys Nash

Kendra Nash

Reverend Donnie Dewberry, Jr.

Inspirational Solo

'My Soul Has Been Anchored in the Lord'

Celebration Message

Pastor Donnie Dewberry, Sr.,

Remarks

Joshua Hausladen

Sister Alicia Land

Funeral Director

Recessional Clergy, Casket Bearers, and Family 'Going Home On The Morning Train'



Gone, but not forgotten...

# Serving with Grace and Honor as Casket Bearers Men Of Honor

Kevin Miles
Julius Lofton
Russell Nash
Donnie Dewberry, Jr.
Darrel Dewberry, Sr.
Anthony Dewberry
Bobby L. Sneed, Jr.

LaMont Pamplin
Sam Pamplin
James Pamplin
Keith Cannon
Good Tree Baptist
Church Brotherhood

## Our Heartfelt Appreciation

With grateful hearts, we extend our sincerest appreciation to everyone who shared their care and concern during this difficult time in our lives. We thank you for your prayers, words of comfort, flowers, calls, and your thoughts of us. Thank you for being here today to help us make it through this hour of bereavement; we thank God for sending people like you. Special thank you to Methodist Charlton Medical Center, Methodist Transitional Care, Heart to Heart Hospice, Marga Fa Brandon, and Russell and Ronni Nash for your care for Annette. May God continue to bless all of you and forever keep you in His tender care.

-The Family of Annette Shackelford

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We are deeply mindful of the confidence you have placed in us, and we sincerely hope that our services have been satisfactory and comforting to you. Most Respectfully,

Josh and Jamie Hausladen and the Staff info@elginfuneralhome.net