



Ms. Paula McNeil

January 31, 1967 - January 26, 2022

Ms. Paula Renee McNeil, affectionately known as “Tweety,” was born on January 31, 1967 in San Bernardino, California to the late Shirley Griffith McNeil Thomas and Archie McNeil. She gained her wings on the afternoon of January 26, 2022 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center in Fayetteville, NC.

Paula was formally educated in the Cumberland County School System, graduating from E.E. Smith High School in 1985. She went on to earn a Bachelor of Social Work from Shaw University and a Master of Science in Human Services and Counseling from Capella University. She served as a Clinical Mental Health Counselor for the Easter Seals- Lillington ACT Team.

Paula accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior early in life, and was a faithful servant of Harvest Family Church where she taught Sunday School for almost 20 years. She loved children, and she especially loved teaching children about the Lord. She was a giving, fun-loving woman who loved God and loved helping people. Her beautiful smile, hearty laugh, and big heart would radiate any room she was in. Everyone knew her willingness to help anyone she could in any way she could.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Shirley Griffith McNeil Thomas, her father, Archie McNeil, two special aunts Helen Carter and Doris Simmons, and her best friend, Timothy Pitchford Sr.

Paula's legacy and fond memories will be carried on by her children, her son, Timothy R. Pitchford, Jr. of Sanford, NC and her daughter, Tiara R. Pitchford of Fayetteville, NC; three brothers: David McNeil of Charlotte, NC, Curtis McNeil of Atlanta, GA, and Quincy McNeil of Greensboro, NC; her sister-in-law, Dr. Karmen Cooper of Raleigh, NC; three nieces: Alesha McElvine of Fayetteville, NC, Cimara McNeil of Boca Raton, FL, and Maia McNeil of Raleigh, NC; six nephews: TreVonne Felton of Fayetteville, NC, Austin McNeil, Justin McNeil, and Christian McNeil of Charlotte, NC, Karlos McNeil of Raleigh, NC, and Alem Warner of Atlanta, GA; one aunt, Patsy McKenzie of Brooklyn, NY and one uncle, Carlos Griffith of Colon, Panama; special cousins: Dionne Butler, Helen McNeil, Mitchell McNeil, and Kevin Boyens of Fayetteville, NC, as well as a host of great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, friends, church family, and colleagues.

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB 4. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Colvin Funeral Home Chapel
2010 Murchison Road
Fayetteville, NC 28301

Livestreaming

FEB 4. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Service

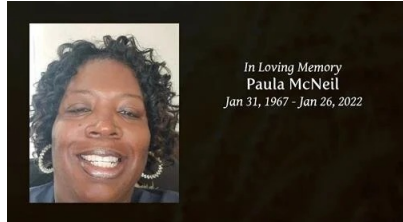
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Colvin Funeral Home Chapel
2010 Murchison Road
Fayetteville, NC 28301

Tribute Wall



“ *Colvin Funeral Homes & Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Paula McNeil* ”



H. M. Colvin Funeral Home - February 08, 2022 at 10:26 AM



“ *Vania Grimes sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Paula McNeil* ”



vania grimes - February 04, 2022 at 04:40 PM



“ *Jennifer McQueen sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Paula McNeil* ”



Jennifer McQueen - February 04, 2022 at 10:14 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Paula McNeil.*



February 03, 2022 at 09:46 PM



“ *Our dearest Paula was more than Great Friend , she was a Rock for many People loyal, Inspiring, with a great sense of humor. In 20 years, I knew you always pleasant. I enjoyed all laughs, your encouragement! & honesty! I did my best to make me Laugh! I loved your Smile so much it was very contagious!! The way you loved people and children. Was a unique gift ! Just a Angel Paula a true Blessing to know and Love. What a great honor to be your friend. Girlfriend your presence will always be missed . Paula just A phenomenal Woman, full of Integrity ,& Grace . A Amazing, & Courageous mother that Loved being a mother, You raised Godly, & Awesome Children !! Yes you move the Moon for your Children, There is comfort knowing you made it in as painful as it is not to have here , It's a Joy knowing your with God.*

Paula was all about serving people in every area of her life. So Dependable ! I thank God for sharing her with everyone who knew her ❤️ Girlfriend it was a honor to be your friend. I know where you are so long for now , Beautiful, Friend Heaven has a new Angel 🕊️🕊️ God give us all Strength ! We are missing you ! Paula , Our Precious Angel gone to soon !! I Love you Always, and Forever Your Girlfriend ❤️

Prudence Hentz - February 03, 2022 at 08:44 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ms. Paula McNeil.*



February 03, 2022 at 06:46 PM



“ *You will be greatly missed. She had a heart of gold and always greeted you with a beautiful smile. She was a wonderful person to be around and to work with. I will miss having you in the office with me and having our one on one conversations. She was always able to butter me up and talk with me and make me feel better if I ever had to come to her to speak with her for guidance. I'm like the song say, Jealous of the Angels in Heaven that has the joy to spend time with her. She will be so greatly missed.*



Sending all my prayers to Tiara and Tim. Hold your heads high and now that she is always walking by your side. You two were her pride and joy.

*Sincerely,
April Smith*

April Smith - February 03, 2022 at 05:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Paula McNeil.*



February 03, 2022 at 04:38 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Paula McNeil.*



February 03, 2022 at 01:09 PM



“ *Paula, you were a wonderful mother, person and friend..Thank you 4 everything..I'm still in denial but I know that you are in a better place and I will still will be talking to you updating you on everything..I love and miss you Ms. Lady..I will end in your favorite word..OOOKKK..RIP Paula- Ms. Campbell*



Alicia Campbell - February 02, 2022 at 05:43 PM

DA

“ *Paula was such a warm heart to everyone she met. She greeted people with that jolly fun loving smile. She will be missed. My sincere and warmest condolences the family.*
Sincerely,
Diana Amerson



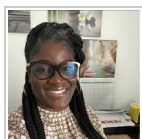
Diana Amerson - February 02, 2022 at 03:55 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Paula McNeil.*



February 02, 2022 at 02:58 PM



“ *Paula it broke my spirit when I heard of your passing! I appreciate all you did to help Frankie. You will surely be missed. Thanks for all the heavenly things you did on earth now it's time to get your heavenly reward. Rest well!*
Elise McKoy-Cox

Elise Cox - February 02, 2022 at 06:14 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ms. Paula McNeil.*



February 01, 2022 at 07:29 PM

VP

“ I will miss Paula, she was a beautiful lady with a beautiful smile. I really enjoyed working with her in children’s church. I will be keeping the family in my prayers.

Vanessa Parker-Hair - February 01, 2022 at 06:31 PM

CA

Rest in peace our dear friend Paula.

CCMH AUXILIARY - February 02, 2022 at 02:57 PM

AL

Sending prayers of comfort and love to Paula's family. I'll definitely miss seeing her in church and around town. She was such a joy to be around, always with a big smile and an encouraging word.

Angela Lewis - February 02, 2022 at 04:58 PM

AS

Paula was a wonderful person with a heart of love and peace. You will be greatly missed in the office with me and able to talk to you in time of need. Wonderful person to go to for guidance and advice. The world will not be the same without Paula McNeil in it.

April Smith. Co-worker at Easter Seals UCP

April Smith - February 03, 2022 at 06:07 PM