



Mrs. Wanda Jean Hemingway

June 4, 1954 - April 7, 2023

Mrs. Wanda Jean Hemingway was born to Mr. Hubert Lee Rozier and Mrs. Blanche Shaw on June 4, 1954. Wanda was raised by her mom and loving bonus dad, whom she affectionately called Daddy, David J. Shaw. Wanda was educated in Robeson County Schools and graduated from Orrum High School in 1972. She had a love for interior decorating and maintained a unique flair for style and fashion. Her primary occupation was Chief Operating Officer directly under the Chief Executive Officer of the Hemingway Home. As COD, Wanda's responsibility was the heart of the home, and she upheld that responsibility with two primary points of focus. 1- Jesus, 2- You were to carry yourself with dignity, class and grace in all areas of your life. Both points were because she said so and non-negotiable. Wanda formed and directed children and youth choirs, spearheaded women's conferences and served as Executive Secretary for the Western NC District Convocation and The Sanford District Union of the United Holy Church of America Inc. Although she wore many hats as First Lady and service to her Lord, her church, home was her cherished focus. She took seriously the charge of being a helpmate to her husband and mother to her children. The love of Wanda's life found her while she was in her parents' yard as he was walking by. That moment led Gene Hemingway to make Wanda his wife on February 17, 1972. They shared an anointed and purpose filled life together for 51 years. Wanda is preceded in death by her father Hubert Lee Rozier, parents David and Blanche Shaw, daughter Talisha Hemingway, brother Earl Freeman, mother and father-in-law

Olen and Hattie Hemingway, brother -in-law Azra Hemingway and son-in-law Brian S. McCorkle.

Cherishing her beloved memories is her devoted memories is her devoted husband Elder Gene N. Hemingway, Lumberton, NC, daughter Serena McCorkle (Brian-deceased) Charlotte, NC, six grandchildren: Nicolas Hemingway, Lumberton, NC, Ashley McCorkle, Charlotte, NC, Kamryn McCorkle, Atlanta, Georgia, Demetrius McKinnon, Charlotte, NC, Christopher McKinnon, Charlotte, NC, and Austin McKinnon, Charlotte, NC, great-granddaughter, Harper Sydney McCorkle, Charlotte, NC, her sister and brother-in-law, Apostle James and Callie Herron, Jersey City, NJ, nephews: Pastor James Herron, Jr. (Cheryl), Tyrone Herron (Olga), Romel Herron, and a host of beloved cousins, relatives, spiritual daughters and friends whom she also dearly loved.

Wanda's love and dedication to Christ, her husband and her family was an example to women of all ages. Her flare for life will live on through her children and children's children for generations to come.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

Lumberton, NC 28358

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Holiness Church Cemetery
69 Chambers St
Lumberton, NC 28358

Service

APR **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Colvin Funeral Homes & Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Wanda Jean Hemingway



H. M. Colvin Funeral Home - April 17, 2023 at 04:18 PM

HE

“ Gene,
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your wife. I pray that God strengthens you and the rest of the family. We love you all.



Helen - April 13, 2023 at 01:26 PM

DS

To the Hemingway Family: Sorry to recently hear of the Homegoing of Sis. Wanda Hemingway. Praying for the family. Yours in the Master's Care, Dr. Allan G. Smith, Sr, Pastor of First Baptist Church, 220 Ferry Street, South Boston, Virginia.

Dr. Allan G. Smith, Sr. - January 30, 2024 at 06:15 PM

DJ

“ Dr. William H. Walker, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Wanda Jean Hemingway



Dr. William H. Walker, Jr. - April 13, 2023 at 05:30 AM

SD

“ Stephanie Dupree lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Wanda Jean Hemingway



Stephanie Dupree - April 12, 2023 at 06:58 PM

LR

“ Wishing the family comfort at a time like this.



Linda L Robinson - April 12, 2023 at 11:02 AM

SM

“ SENDING DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND LOVE REMEMBERING HER AS MY CLASSMATE PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY

shirley mae melvin - April 11, 2023 at 07:25 PM

BG

“ Sending sincere condolences to Elder Gene Hemingway and family on the passing of Sis. Wanda Jean. May God's love surround you and give you the peace that surpasses all understanding and know that He is always there and will never leave or forsake you. Stand on your faith in God and His strength. In God's love...Sis. Brenda G. Melvin-Glover

Brenda Glover - April 11, 2023 at 06:49 PM

BG

“ On behalf of Bishop James W. and First Lady Brenda Brooks, sincere condolences are expressed to Elder Gene Hemingway and family on the transitioning of Sis. Wanda Hemingway. Praying that God's love and comfort will keep you and strengthen you during this time of bereavement.

Brenda Glover - April 11, 2023 at 06:41 PM

WS

“ Wanda Singletary lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Wanda Jean Hemingway



Wanda Singletary - April 11, 2023 at 06:28 AM

GL

“ Sending Kisses and Hugs to you Reverend Hemingway, Serena and the Grandchildren! We Love you! Blessings! Wanda was a very dear friend to me and my Mother Mattie Whitted!

Gwendolyn F Lesane - April 10, 2023 at 03:26 PM

SB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Wanda's passing. Wanda and I attended HS together at Orrum HS in Orrum NC. She was a year ahead of me but we had typing and some other Business classes together. It has been many years since I have seen Wanda. My memory is of a beautiful sweet person, with a beautiful sweet soul. May she rest in eternal peace.



Shirley Richardson Baker - April 10, 2023 at 12:11 PM