

Active Pallbearers

Edward Davis
Levester Johnson Jr.
Paul Tabron

Todd Boney
Terry Hawkins Jr.
Jeremy Johnson

Honorary Pallbearers

Steven Knight
Xavier Knight
George Watson

Trent Knight
Charlie Watson
Levester Johnson

Acknowledgements

The family of Shirley B. Knight would like to express our sincere appreciation for your love and support during our time of bereavement. Thank you for your acts of love and kindness to our family.

The family would like to extend their gratitude to Amor Hospice Care for providing support and comfort for my wife Shirley B. Knight. Your support/service was a true BLESSING to the family. God Bless you all.

~The Knight Family~

Interment

Chapel Hill Cemetery
Calvert, Tx. 77837

Final Arrangements Entrusted to



In Loving Memory of



Shirley B. Knight

Day of Joy
December 28, 1945

Day of Peace
August 31, 2022

2 Timothy 4:7

*I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course,
I have kept the faith*

Celebration Of Life

Saturday, September 10, 2022
10:00 a.m.

Christian Home Missionary Baptist Church
3436 Rosalie Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Pastor Dr. Lucious Davis Sr., Officiating

Shirley's Life

Shirley B. Knight was born December 28, 1945 in Franklin, Texas to Jeff and Bessie Watson. She was the eleventh born of fourteen children. Shirley accepted Christ as her Savior, at an early age. She attended elementary and middle school at U. S. Morgan in Franklin, Texas. She then attended and graduated, in 1964, from W. D. Spigner High School in Calvert, Texas. On January 23, 1965 she married the love of her life, a young man from Calvert, Texas, Lonnie Knight. Shirley and Lonnie have been married for 57 years and from their union they were blessed with two beautiful children a daughter, Charol S. Knight, and a son Steven L. Knight.

In November of 2021, her daughter Charol S. Knight preceded her in death. Other family members who preceded her in death are her mother and father, Bessie Watson and Jeff Watson, (3-sisters) Jewel Watson, Vernell Love Manners, Johnie D. Ward, (4-brothers) Jeff Watson Jr., Elves Watson, Jessie Ben Watson, and Robert Allen Watson.

Shirley was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and aunt. Shirley and her sisters, that were living in Houston, founded Mama's Best Fruit Cake and during the holiday season would bake a variety of cakes which were ordered by many a family, coworkers, and friends. Though all of their cakes were irresistible, the sisters were well known for their Fruit Cake. SPECS requested that this crowd favorite be sold in their stores but, due to their jobs and dedication to their families they were unable to fill the request. Nevertheless they continued to bake and that Fruit Cake continued to be the holiday favorite and always in high demand.

Shirley worked at Texas Instruments, in Stafford, Texas and in the retail industry. Shirley also served as Alumni President, for her high school, prior to the pandemic. In 2010 Shirley began writing poetry based on the events, people, and places that shaped her life. It was at that point that she realized she possessed a GOD GIVEN TALENT. In 2016 she became a published author of Shirley's Book of Poems, a must have for every home.

Shirley leaves to cherish her love and memories her husband, Lonnie Knight; her son, Steven Knight; 4 grandchildren: Trent L. Knight, Brittany N. Cheves, (Vincent), Arenecia R. Knight, and Xavier D. Knight, (Sincerely), a host of great-grandchildren, as well as 4-sisters, Ruby Davis of Lubbock, Texas; Floyd M. Hawkins (Terry), Dorothy Dixon both of Houston, Texas; and Viola Johnson (Levester) of Missouri City, Texas; 2-brothers, George Watson (Lauretta) and Charlie Watson (Leatrice) of Houston, Texas; cousins, nieces, nephews, and a host of friends.





Order of Service

Processional Clergy, Pallbearers & Family

Glimpse of Glory

Song of Praise & Thanksgiving Shari Love Davis
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

Scripture Readings

Old Testament..... Rev. Pete Hawkins
New Testament Rev. Lewis Morris

Prayer Pastor Dr. Lucious Davis, Sr.

Selection..... Choir

Resolutions

Expressions..... (2 minutes only) 4 people

A Song of Praise Raquel Simmons & Dale Dickerson

Eulogy..... Pastor Dr. Lucious Davis, Sr.

Recessional Clergy, Family & Friends



Today's Celebration

Today you, my family, must celebrate
The time we spent together, I certainly appreciate
God gave me family when he did not have to
In addition, I praise him for each one of you
I have experienced life to the fullest, you see
Learning, teaching and praying to be
In the company of our savior in eternity
God will give you strength to endure the sad days
Just keep on praying, keep giving him the praise
He knows what you are going through
Therefore, you just hold on; he knows what to do
I am writing this poem to you today
With the grace of God; he gives me the words to say
He has given life to all of us
So keep the faith and always trust
That if you ask in the name of Jesus, thus
Give him the praise; do not make a fuss
Love one another as he loved us all
He will pick you up each time you fall
He taught us right from wrong at the very beginning
And directed our path as he planned our ending
Live each day that the Lord had made; rejoice and be glad when
He calls your name and welcomes you in

~Written by Shirley B. Knight~

Tributes of Love

To My Beautiful Mama,

First, I want to thank God for blessing me with you. You taught me so much about how to be a better person a better Christian. Your faith never wavered and everyone saw that in you. I have always said that you and Charol were to two strongest women I have ever met. Y'all went through so much and made it a point to smile and make sure everyone around you was taken care of no matter how you were feeling. And I love you for that. I didn't understand at the time but I am grateful to you for preparing Daddy and I for situations we would have to encounter. I am so thankful that you don't have to deal with the pain anymore, but I still didn't want you to go. God please take care of my mom and my sister until we all meet again. I love you so much Mama!
Your son Steven

A Letter to Our Sister,

Dear Shirley,

First, we love you and want you to know that we truly appreciate you for writing our "Family History Book." Legendary, YOU did a beautiful job for the whole family, and we really want you to know that you are APPRECIATED! God gifted you with a talent of writing "Shirley's Book of Poems" and "OUR Family History Book" and you have done an awesome job my sister. We know how important that was and how determined you were to get them published and in our hands. We thank you Shirley.

Now, about your illness, we want to thank you for sharing with us about what you were going through, your personal circumstances, never did you allow it to take over your love for life and living. Thank you for letting us in on a few of your details. Our prayers are for you to have a full recovery, When God Sees Fit. We've all grown stronger in our faith and we want to credit you for making us ALL stronger and better people.

God Is Good All The Time, and All The Time God Is Good.

We love you sis,

Viola, Charles, George, Dorothy, Mae, Ruby
(Guess what Shirley, your little sister Viola gets to start from the youngest to the oldest)

Broken Chain

We knew little that morning that God was going to call your name,
In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone;
For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.
You left us peaceful memories; your love is still our guide;
And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same;
But as God calls us one by one,
THE CHAIN will link again.
Love Always,
Your husband and BEST FRIEND Lonnie,
Your Super Proud Son Steven
And
From your Forever Grateful Grandchildren
Trent, Brittany, Arenecia, and Xavier