



## Shirley Ann Clark

May 21, 1960 - May 4, 2017

Shirley Ann Clark-Knight known to most as (Auntie) was born in Winder, GA May 21, 1960 to the late Howard Watson Jr and Christine Pope. As an infant she was moved to Gainesville, GA to live with her devoted father Howard Watson Jr and stepmother Melissa Watson. At an early age they instilled in Shirley two of her most admired qualities, unconditional love and independence.

Shirley attended school at East Hall, soon after she became a production worker, and core three children Akira, Cardoza Jr and Tracee to her first husband Cardoza Paul Clark Sr., all whom she loved dearly.

Shirley was a sweet, kind hearted type of woman that enjoyed the simple things in life. She was so easy going, she was like a friend to everyone that she came across. She enjoyed cooking, fishing, attending sports events for her grandkids and most of all she enjoyed her life and family. She had a very special place in her heart for spending time with all her grandkids supporting and spoiling them all the she could. She also was the type of person that if you ever needed a place to stay, you were welcome and everyone was always welcome to eat. Shirley helped raise several of her nieces and nephews at times and always treated them as her own. She was an astonishing woman! She is preceded in death by her parents Howard Watson Jr., Christine Pope, her brother David James Watson, one Aunt Louise Hodges and one uncle Jackie Lee Watson.

Shirley leaves to cherish her memories her husband Joseph Knight, her son

Cardoza Jr., daughters: Akira (Travis) Hall, Tracee (Shawn) Branch;  
grandchildren: Patience, Keymonta, Nasir, Kingston, Ashunti Branch, Jordan  
Jermarion, Kashmire, Brooklyn and Aziah; three sisters: Doris Pope, Donna  
Pope, Deborah (Jerome) Cade, one brother Rickey (Linda) Morton and a host  
of other relatives and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 12. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Historical St. John Baptist Church  
757 EE Butler Parkway  
Gainesville, GA 30501

## Service

MAY 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church  
1810 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard  
Gainesville, GA 30501

# Tribute Wall



“ *Shirley Ann Clark*

October 22, 2023 at 04:48 PM



“ *Shirley was a beautiful person and she will be missed.*



**Barbara Davenport Billingslea** - June 16, 2017 at 07:42 PM



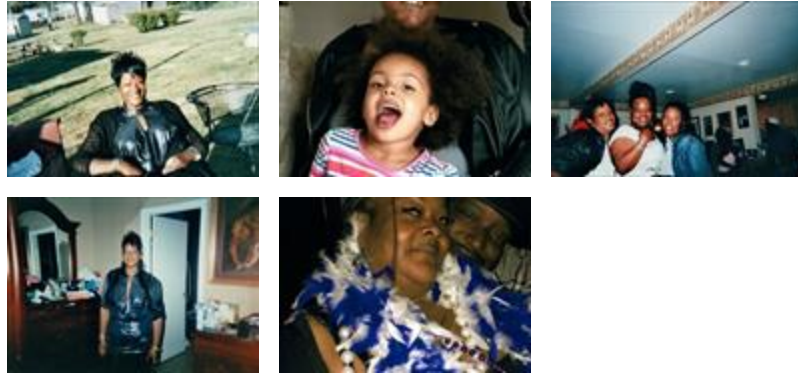
“ *You was a true friend when I needed someone. I'm so glad you was my room mate at New Horizons Limestone. You always had me laughing. I will miss your smile my friend. Gone but never to be forgotten. 💜💜💜💜💜💜💜*



**Sharon Peckham** - May 13, 2017 at 01:32 PM



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Wimberly Funeral Home - May 12, 2017 at 07:57 AM



“ Tacia Millsap & Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Shirley Ann Clark.



Tacia Millsap & Family - May 11, 2017 at 04:57 PM



“ I want to say to the family I'm going to miss my friend. R.I.H Shirley Clark Knight.



Christine Washington - May 11, 2017 at 03:33 PM



“ *I want to send all my love to the family.I'm going to miss my friend.R.I.H*



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**Christine Washington** - May 11, 2017 at 03:28 PM



“ *TACIA Millsap lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Clark*



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**TACIA Millsap** - May 10, 2017 at 10:55 PM