



## Shirley Whelchel McKibbons

February 12, 1940 - November 21, 2023

Shirley Whelchel McKibbons was born on February 12, 1940. She was a faithful servant of God with a gentle and quiet spirit. Her big smile could light up a room. Shirley departed this life on November 21, 2023 at Avalon Health and Rehab Newman, GA. at the age of 83.

Shirley grew up in the Hickory Grove community located in Lumpkin County, GA. Her elementary years was spent at the Hickory Grove Church School. She then attended Fair Street High School, Gainesville, GA. where she graduated in 1958. Shirley moved to Atlanta GA. and was employed at AT&T for more than 30 years. She was a loving wife and First Lady who faithfully supported her husband in the ministry at Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church in Calhoun GA.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husband Rev. Joseph McKibbons, her parents Grady and Maybelle Whelchel her sister's Eva Mae Earls, Zeldia Mae Earls and Virginia Elrod.

She is survived by her brother Claude Whelchel. She is also survived by a host of nieces and nephews, family and friends.

His Lord said unto him, well done, good and faithful servant; thou has been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou

into the joy of thy Lord. Matthew 25:23.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

DEC 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Wimberly Funeral Home  
325 Summitt St SE  
Gainesville, GA 30501  
(770) 536-3251  
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<https://www.wimberlyjacksonfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

PJ

“ *My Deepest Condolences to the family thoughts and prayers are with you all* ❤️



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**Pamela Jackson** - December 14, 2023 at 03:29 PM

JM

“ *Joyce Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Shirley Welchel McKibbons*



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**Joyce Mitchell** - December 11, 2023 at 09:38 PM

AC

“ *Welchel-McKibbins Family*  
*Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Shirley , as we called her was the first lady at Allen Chapel -Calhoun for several years. She was a nice classy lady who met us with kindness and smiles. Shirley was very supportive of Pastor McKibbins and the church. We mourn your loss with you at this time. May God Bless and keep you.*

*Her Allen Chapel AME Church Family*

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**Allen Chapel Church** - December 09, 2023 at 12:11 AM

RH

“ Regina Harris lit a candle in memory of Shirley Whelchel McKibbons



Regina Harris - December 07, 2023 at 10:03 AM

SJ

“ Star Johnson lit a candle in memory of Shirley Whelchel McKibbons



Star Johnson - December 07, 2023 at 06:04 AM

JS

“ Jeraldine Sewell lit a candle in memory of Shirley Whelchel McKibbons



Jeraldine Sewell - December 06, 2023 at 01:22 PM

BW

“ Beverly Wilson lit a candle in memory of Shirley Whelchel McKibbons



Beverly Wilson - December 06, 2023 at 10:16 AM