



Ethel Mae Williams

May 23, 1937 - March 21, 2014

ETHEL MAE WILLIAMS was born in Durham, North Carolina on May 23, 1937 to the Late Ethel Hopkins and Raymond Carter. Ethel Mae Williams departed this life Friday, March 21, 2014.

Ethel Mae received her education in the Baltimore City Public School System. Ethel joined Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church at an early age and was an active member and served on the choir and ushers board under the leadership of Rev. W. Thompson. She later joined the New Pilgrim Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor W. H. Black until she became ill. Ethel Mae had a special relationship with the Lord.

Ethel Mae was employed with the Baltimore City Health Department where she provided home health care for the elderly and disabled. She loved taking care of people. She adopted a child from Africa and was an active member of the Feed the Children Program. She was a mother, grandmother, aunt, sister and always lent a helping hand when needed in her neighborhood.

Ethel Mae married the late Raymond Shelton and out of that union they had six children. On September 23, 1988, she married the love of her life John Alfred Williams who loved her dearly.

Ethel Mae had many friends and was loved and admired by everyone.

Ethel Mae leaves to cherish: her husband, John Williams; three daughters, Celestina Fenner, Theresa Shelton, and Diane Malloy (who preceded her in death) and three sons, Michael Shelton (Felisia Shelton), Edgar Shelton and Raymond Shelton (who preceded her in death); two stepsons, John and Leroy, and two stepdaughters, Charlene and Marlene; one special sister, Helen Dean and brother-in-law, (James Scoop Dean); five brothers (three who preceded her in death), James Hopkins, John Hopkins, and Edgar Hopkins, Charles McDuffie, and Robert McDuffie (Lorriane McDuffie) and sister-in-law Margaret Cole; twenty-five grandchildren, forty great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren; faithful cousins, Pete Bethea and Lula McDuffie; special extended family, Bridget Scott, James Coleman, Melvin Jackson and Linda Curry; a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Zion

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 28. 8:00 AM - 8:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
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Wake

MAR 29. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ethel Mae Williams* ”

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I miss you Grandma.* ”

Nik - June 30, 2022 at 08:32 AM



“ *I miss you SOOO MUCH!* ”



Nicole Hawkins (Nikki) - May 27, 2021 at 04:55 PM



“ *Hey grandma, I'm missing you!* ”



Nikki Hawkins - February 17, 2019 at 05:57 PM

NH

“ *MISSING YOU LIKE CRAZY GRANDMA!
THESE DAYS DON'T MAKE SENSE
WITHOUT YOU!*



Nicole K Hawkins - November 24, 2018 at 03:37 PM

NH

“ *Grandma I have been so sad lately and its because I need you right now! I know you are watching over me, but this hurts bad! I just wish I could bring you back.*

Nikki H - February 27, 2018 at 11:27 AM

NH

“ *I MISS YOU SO MUCH!!!! ONLY IF HEAVEN HAD VISITING HOURS!*
<https://s-media-cache-ak0.pinimg.com/736x/94/92/76/949276b32e483cc767d042c941fbcabd.jpg>

NICOLE H - December 09, 2015 at 05:37 PM

NH

“ *GRANDMA I MISS YOU DAILY!!! I NEED YOU!*

NICOLE HAWKINS - June 11, 2015 at 01:57 PM



“ *Aunt ethel Mae I miss u so much you and your husband is rejoicing in the names of jesus*



Caprice Carter - June 05, 2015 at 07:42 AM

NH

“ I MISS YOU ALOT. I HEAR YOUR VOICE EVERYDAY!! I PROMISE TO ALWAYS MAKE YOU PROUD!! NIKKI

NICOLE HAWKINS - January 15, 2015 at 09:03 AM

NH

“ I MISS YOU GRANDMA!! THANKS FOR BEING MY BLESSING!

NICOLE HAWKINS - November 10, 2014 at 02:54 PM

NH

“ I MISS YOU GRANDMA!!!!!!

NICOLE HAWKINS - July 09, 2014 at 11:27 AM

SO

“ My heartfelt condolences to the Williams family. The death of a dear loved one is so hard to bear. Knowing this, our loving merciful Father gave his Word to end death, pain and suffering. His love will strengthen you to endure the loss of your dear loved one. Revelation 21: 4, 5.

Shirley Oketunji - March 29, 2014 at 11:18 AM

SE

“ *Williams family and friends, please accept my sincere condolences. I can tell from reading the comments that Ms. Ethel Mae was dearly loved and will truly be missed. It's hard to lose someone you love. While time will make this hurt more bearable it will never take it away. We find true hope and comfort from Gods word the bible. Jehovah being our loving heavenly father has made provisions to rid this earth of sin and death by means of the ransom sacrifice of His son Jesus Christ. (Matt 20:28) Jesus assures us that there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous! (John 5:28-29) To find out how we can welcome back those loved ones who have fallen asleep in death please visit www.jw.org or talk with Jehovah's Witnesses in your area. Please attend the local observance of the Memorial of Jesus death to gain an even greater appreciation and knowledge of what that ransom sacrifice really means for us.*

sharee elliott - March 27, 2014 at 05:40 PM

NS

“ Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savoured much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.

Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 27, 2014 at 02:42 PM

TJ

“ Sending my condolences to the family and friends of Ms. Ethel Mae.
Praying that God wraps his loving arms around all of you to comfort
and strengthen you through this tough time. Ms. Ethel Mae was one
of the greatest women in this world. She treated all the kids like they
were one of her grandchildren. You will be truly missed and never
FORGOTTEN!

Tekia Jackson - March 27, 2014 at 10:25 AM



“ *She was someone whom once u met her u would never forget her.. I wasn't her grandchild but u would never have known it. She made me feel like I was one of her own. That's who she was. So genuine.. I was in town last June and was determined to stop by and see her. As soon as I walked through the door her face lit up she smiled.. She knew exactly who I was.. She was so happy to me and I was happy to see her too!! She will never be forgotten....*

Latia Garner-Johnson - March 27, 2014 at 09:14 AM

A square profile picture with the initials 'JS' in white on a grey background.

“ *I dont think it has really hit me yet that your gone the one person in this world that I can talk to about anything what we shared you truly was my inspiration im still trying to figure out how to continue on without youb I just dont know.*

Jamal Shelton - March 26, 2014 at 10:34 PM



“ If Grandma had a meaning I'll tell you what it'd be
if you were close to yours like mine was close to me
Grandmas are always there to lend a shoulder and dry your tears to
comfort you in everything and help conquer all your fears
Despite all the wrong you've done and all the wrong you'll do a
grandma will always be there and unconditionally will love you
A grandma will inspire you to follow your every dream she tells you
"yow won't be alone"
because you're going to be a team
Grandmas are always busy although their hearts are tame they tell
everyone about you
so everyone knows your name
Grandmas will keep everything from when you're young till now and
when you dance on Broadway for her you'll take a bow
Without grandmas we'd be lost and our tears would not be dry and
we would not be encouraged to spread our wings and fly
To my grandma I say "Thank You" My heart will always be with you
every day, and I know
you're here with me.

Love your oldest Granddaughter Lisa Houston

Lisa Houston - March 26, 2014 at 09:30 PM

JC

*I'm a friend of Nicole's but just like you Lisa I'm the oldest grand
daughter. How special that is. Also what a loving description that you
have for a Grandmother. I certainly hope that the prayers and your
strong spiritual foundation provide you with some comfort at this very
difficult time. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.*

J. Carter - March 27, 2014 at 08:51 PM

TB

“ I will always treasure the times we share and the fact that you made me feel very welcome every time I came to Baltimore. I will miss your laughter and your smile. I will feel a certain emptiness but I know you will be watching over me. I love you!

Cousin Tony
Philadelphia

Tony Betha - March 25, 2014 at 08:41 PM

NS

“ I MISS AND LOVE YOU GRANDMA!! MY DAYS ARE NOT RIGHT WITHOUT YOU, BUT I KNOW YOU HAVE BEEN SET FREE!! I AM GOING TO MISS EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU.

NICOLE SHELTON-HAWKINS - March 25, 2014 at 01:34 PM

CG

“ My condolences to the family and friends of Ms. Williams. At 2 Corinthians 1:3, we read that Jehovah is the God of tender mercies and the GOD OF ALL COMFORT. May these words comfort you while you go through this terrible loss. Reading his words daily will help you through and bring you closer to him. Other offerings of comfort and encouragement can be found at www.jw.org.

Cecelia G - March 25, 2014 at 11:01 AM

MR

“ Please accept my deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. Anyone special to us is always hard to bear. But we can receive comfort from our family and friends and from our Almighty God who is the God of Comfort 2 Corinthians 1:3,4. May you continue to receive the needed comfort and support you need in this time of grief.



Mrs. Richardson - March 25, 2014 at 03:49 AM

MS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 4yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!

Ms Springer - March 24, 2014 at 08:48 PM

NS

“ Nicole Shelton-Hawkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Ethel Mae Williams



Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 05:27 PM

AV

“ To the Family of Ethel Mae Williams,,, May you find comfort in the words from Jesus Christ..” Do not be amazed at this, for the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out.”

A. Verrett - March 24, 2014 at 04:27 PM

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Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 03:38 PM

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Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 03:37 PM

JC

“ Sorry to hear about the loss of your Grandmother, Nicole. Hopefully you and your family can draw a measure of comfort from God's word and also prayer during this difficult time. There are never any easy words to say during a time like this. Losing a loved one is very difficult and at times hard to bear. One of my favorite scriptures is at 2 Corinthians 1:3,4. That scripture lets us see that Jehovah God is kind and the Father of tender mercies and all comfort. We can surely rely on him during all of our trials and tribulations and gain strength. There is also the hope of the resurrection that we can all look forward to. What a joy it will be to see your Grandma and other loved ones again under better conditions where death will be no more. Rev 21:3,4.

J. Carter - March 24, 2014 at 03:26 PM

NS

Thank you so much!! My family and I appreciate every prayer and kind word.

Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 03:39 PM

JC

No problem. I was thinking of your family today and will include you in my prayers.

J. Carter - March 27, 2014 at 08:46 PM

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“ Nicole Shelton-Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Ethel Mae Williams



Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 01:49 PM

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Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 01:48 PM

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Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 01:45 PM

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Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 01:45 PM



Awww...I know she is missing us as much as we miss her...She loved us with everything she had in her, from the tops of our heads to the bottom of our feet....She loved us before we loved our selves....sleep peacefully grandma.

Lakea Shelton - March 26, 2014 at 09:58 PM

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Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 01:43 PM

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Nicole Shelton-Hawkins - March 24, 2014 at 01:42 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - March 24, 2014 at 10:07 AM