



## Serena Shelton-Pulliam

December 26, 1957 - April 17, 2024

On Tuesday, April 17, 2024, Serena Andrea Shelton-Pulliam of New Kent, VA (formerly of Richmond, VA) transitioned peacefully into eternal rest at Memorial Regional Medical Center in Hanover County, VA. Serena was born December 26, 1957, to the late Thomas (Tomie) Shelton and Dorothy “Dot” Hayes Shelton in Richmond, VA and attended Armstrong H.S. (Class of 1975-76).

She accepted Christ at an early age and joined Mt. Olive Baptist Church in South Richmond where she was baptized and participated in various choir, instructional and outreach organizations. During her tenure at Mt. Olive under the pastoral leadership and production efforts of Rev. Vernon “Billy” Lee, and the choir direction of Bro. Russell Rivers, she achieved the opportunity of lending her voice to wax on two tracks pressed into a 45: “In the Prayer Room” and “Oh Yes, He Will”. She later embraced the church family of Elohim Christian Outreach Center, led by Apostle Leo Hackett, after relocating to the home of her cousin and caregiver, Carolyn C. Miller, until her health interrupted regular attendance.

Serena formerly enjoyed a career for 20+ years as an Account Manager for what started out as Continental Cablevision, bought by Media One, and later acquired by Comcast. Throughout those changes she was a dedicated employee. She was then briefly employed as a medical office front desk

receptionist for Panic, Anxiety and Depression Center of VA, and lastly at Kroger's as a cashier before medically retiring. She brought her creativity and people skills to every position she held.

She was formerly married to Wray D. Pulliam, Sr. from 1983-2007. Serena possessed many talents, but our fondest memories held on to will be her vocal and her dancing abilities, and her love of music and photography. She could work wonders with a can of Campbell's Cream of Mushroom soup, modify a fashion pattern flawlessly, twirl a baton like no other, write poetry, draw and paint, execute elaborately braided hair designs, and possessed a handwriting that exceeded the beauty of calligraphy. She had a passion for family and fellowship, travel and, of course, Pepsi Cola.

Serena was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, George Shelton and Bertha Johnson Shelton; maternal grandparents, Floyd Hayes and Dorothy B.H. Rogers; four aunts and their spouses: Mary S. Mealy, Mary H. Threath (Norman), Frances H. Creighton (Raymond), and Annie H. Creighton (Francis).

Serena leaves to cherish fond memories of her two loving sisters, Gloria S. Hasan of New Kent, VA, and June Shelton (Kenneth Frye) of Aylett, VA; three darling nieces, Jershawnda Richardson and Tomille Jones (Devlin Miller) of Henrico, VA, and Charisse Jones of Aylett, VA; four great-nephews; one great-niece; and devoted cousin and caregiver, Carolyn C. Miller of New Kent and her loving sister, Sandra Y. Creighton of Henrico, VA.

Her passing will be felt by cousins/sisters Carol "Pinkie" Carter-Robinson, Edith "Candy" Stokes, Ruth E. Shelton, Diane Henry Coleman, Mable S. Taylor and Virginia A. Cooley; also, cousins, Earl L. and Evelyn Mealy and Meredith "Bunny" Mealy; a host of other paternal and maternal cousins; her church family at Elohim Outreach; and her Stop #13 family, including the

Andrews, Sharpe, Terry/Henley and Blakeney/Parks/Taylor families.

## Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### **Memorial Service with live streaming**

MAY 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

March Funeral Homes - May 16, 2024 at 02:41 PM



“ *March Funeral Homes created a To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Serena Shelton-Pulliam, Please Click the Link below. in memory of Serena Shelton-Pulliam*



March Funeral Homes - April 27, 2024 at 04:58 PM

LT

“ *June, praying for you and your family at this difficult time. Praying that God send his Holy Spirit on you and your love ones to comfort you during this difficult time. Love you always*  
❤️🙏 *Lavil Terry*



Lavil Terry - May 03, 2024 at 05:44 PM

LS

“ *Love Always Kendra, Debra, and Sherryl purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Serena Shelton-Pulliam.*



Love Always Kendra, Debra, and Sherryl - May 02, 2024 at 12:49 PM

LS

“ Love Always Kendra, Debra, and Sherryl planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Serena Shelton-Pulliam.

Love Always Kendra, Debra, and Sherryl - May 02, 2024 at 12:49 PM

AM

“ I'm sorry to hear of Serena's passing. I pray that God replaces the hurt and pain with His Healing Love and Peace and surround you with a host of angels. May you be continuously comforted throughout this period and know and feel that Serena's loving presence is still with you, encouraging and cheering you on, as love never dies. Lots of love and blessings to the family and all loved ones!

Angela McClaine - April 29, 2024 at 04:17 PM

RR

“ Sorry to hear of Serena's passing. My prayers to the family



Renee Robinson - April 28, 2024 at 02:49 PM

WT

“ Wanda Turpin lit a candle in memory of Serena Shelton-Pulliam



Wanda Turpin - April 28, 2024 at 12:46 PM

WT

*My condolence to the family. Serena and I we grew up together she was surely be missed*

Wanda Turpin - April 28, 2024 at 12:48 PM

WT

*Will surely be missed*

Wanda Turpin - April 28, 2024 at 12:49 PM

JS

“ So many memories dancing around in my heart right now, just like we used to do...dancing and singing and just living out loud, and we will certainly do all of those things together once again. Sisters are a gift from God, so rest my sister, because as you enter His gates... the gift of your memory remains in our hearts. We love you... always!

*Hebrews 4:9-10 (NKJV)-*

*“There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.”*

June Shelton - April 27, 2024 at 10:24 AM

MI

*Sorry for the loss of your beloved sister. Gone but never forgotten.*

Michelle - April 27, 2024 at 01:12 PM

BB

*Our condolences to the family, praying 🙏 God's comfort and strength during this difficult time. The Booker, Scott family*

Barbara Scott Booker - May 02, 2024 at 01:29 AM



“ 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - April 26, 2024 at 04:31 PM