



## Shaun Michael Williams

October 17, 1983 - December 14, 2020

### We Bid Farewell to “Shaun Michael Williams”

Shaun, Nibbles or Shaun-wen, as he was so fondly called when his mother wanted him to take care of something important, was the youngest child born to Deborah Ann Gates Williams and George Thomas Williams (deceased), departed this life early Monday morning, December 14, 2020 at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional in Salisbury, Maryland.

Shaun was born and raised in Salisbury, but lived in Princess Anne, Maryland for the last three years. At an early age, he began staying overnight with his maternal grandmother, Ocie Jewel Gates, because he did not want her to be alone.

Shaun received his early childhood education in the Wicomico County School System, graduating from Parkside High School in 2000 after participating in the Maryland's Tomorrow Program where he and his brother Damien were members of the football team. He continued his educational training pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in General Studies at the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore and had completed over 30 credits.

As a youth, Shaun was active in St. James AME Zion Church and the community. He played drums for the Youth Choir, (even though he never had a drum lesson), participated in the Boy Scouts and Martial Arts. He was a member of the Music Ministry's sound and video systems. In his spare time, he taught himself to play the keyboard, focusing on Gospel Music.

Shaun had a passion for woodburning. He created beautiful African queens, animals, and people. A local store owner saw his artwork and asked to display it in his store; by the end of the day every piece was sold, and customers were requesting additional artifacts.

Shaun loved to share his personal testimony and relationship with God. This was evident at his daughter and nephew's graduation party in May when he commented: "I believe in God and His son, Jesus Christ, and I am not ashamed to acknowledge Him wherever I go. I'm not perfect, but I know where God has brought me from, and I will depend on him for the rest of my life." A few days before his transition, he said, "life can change in an instant." Shaun often expounded on the different life lessons he learned and experienced. He found great comfort reading self-help books, the Bible, biographies, and documentaries.

Shaun loved church, and when questions were asked, he was able to give examples in layman's terms, helping others understand scriptural meanings. Because of this special gift, he was often asked to give mini-sermons that inspired his audience.

Shaun was a sincere person. If you asked him a question or wanted advice, he did not sugar-coat the answer. He loved to laugh and joke around; however, when it came to participating in activities, he strived to be professional to include his appearance. You could depend on him to finish the job; if he promised he was going to do something; his word was his bond.

Shaun was a member of the famous WE HERE Auto Club of Salisbury. His Crown Victoria moniker name was SUPERMAN. He prided himself in making a difference in the lives of others, whether giving out school supplies, organizing a health fair or homeless initiatives, he gave the best he had to give. Shaun took time to enjoy life. His smile and laughter will remain in our hearts forever.

He leaves to cherish fond memories a faithful, loving, supportive mother, Deborah Gates of Princess Anne; his daughter, Zoriah Williams of Salisbury; two brothers, Damien Thomas Williams of Princess Anne and Marcus (Helen)

Williams of California; Three sisters, Sharonda (Tony) Young, Tiffany Williams, and Leshawn (Ronald) Knox, of Columbia, SC; a father figure and advisor for many years-Anthony Bowen of Berlin; Two uncles, Donald (Regina) Gates of Reids Grove, MD; David Gates, Cowpens, SC; Two aunts, Dorothy (Gates) Davis (Jerome) of Highland, Indiana; Doris (Gates) Jones (Myron) of Fayetteville, North Carolina; a special nephew, Jordan Williams of Princess Anne, Maryland; two special nieces, Keyonna Gates of Princess Anne, Maryland and Isis Williams of Salisbury, Maryland; a great niece A'moura Williams of Salisbury; two special cousins, Jay Gates of Allen, Maryland and Mardreas Jones of Clayton, North Carolina; special childhood friends, Travis Crumpton, Jeffrey Stewart, Timothy Hutt, and Lamont Joynes, and sidekick who always had his back, Mark Duffy; and a host of other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents Ocie and Harley Gates.

Lovingly Submitted,  
The Family

# Tribute Wall

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“ Bro I can\u2019t believe today I gotta say my goodbyes. I cried and cried when I first found out but I\u2019ve been ok. I know today those feelings are gonna return. You were my brother. You were more than a friend. You touched my life. You challenged me to think beyond the norm. You made me show mercy when I wanted to be stubborn. I\u2019m sorry that our last conversation was so brief. I just wanted to know that you were getting better. I just knew you would be coming home. Today we gonna let your family know just how much you meant to us. -Rah Wehere Former CEO

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**Rahim Witherspoon** - December 27, 2020 at 06:22 PM

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“ Shaun, for as long as I can remember, you and I have been super cool. This year, even with Covid-19, and everything else in the world that was happening, good and bad, you reached out to me ,and we would txt, and have the occasional what's good fam, phone calls too. But bro, smh, fast forward to December, the one month of the year, that's set aside for celebrating life, and love, God took you home bro, and as your Wehere brother said to me during one of our conversations about your untimely death, God indeed has a plan for us all, and maybe, just maybe Shaun, you are the wake up call that's needed for us to fully understand, this invisible enemy, to be recognized for what it truly is... Death \u2620! Man, I came to say goodbye to you today, and me, and a slew of grown men, broke down bro... Welp, "SuperMan" watch over us bro, sleep well and lastlyAs Our God the most high would say Well done... My good and faithful servant James "Hulk" BrummellAmbitious Whips Inc Car ClubMuch love and respect to the Williams family... And Friends and relatives!

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**James Brummell** - December 27, 2020 at 12:29 PM

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“ Dear family, I'm overwhelmed at losing this giant heart that gave so much to so many. Thanks Shaun for your volunteering to help with the homeless initiative at St James, the music ministry and the wonderful things you did that we may not know. Ray and I loved that your car club presented us with honorary t-shirts. Thanks for bypassing your cowboys and giving me a raven's jersey, hat, and matching gloves. I know it was hard for you to deliver that to me last Christmas, and a Christmas later I'm sending what I hope will be a loving memory. God bless. May the peace of God that you found surround your daughter, mother and family members during this difficult time. Ray and Sharon Morris.

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**Sharon Morris** - December 27, 2020 at 10:12 AM

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“ Shaun, You were very instrumental in our "Soup to the Sanctuary" Homeless Initiative at church. We'll miss your selfless way of giving to those in need and less fortunate. You had a big \u2764!. Gone too soon, but never forgotten. Wayne & Aundra Roberts

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**Aundra Roberts** - December 17, 2020 at 12:57 PM