



Shirley Camellia Maddox

February 22, 1957 - December 29, 2017

Shirley Camellia Maddox, age 60, passed away on December 29, 2017. Shirley was born on February 22, 1957, in Chestertown, Maryland, to the late Melvin A. Freeman Sr. and Mary V. Black.

Shirley attended school in Kent County Maryland, and graduated from Kent County High School, class of 1975. Shirley gained employment in food services, working as a dietary aide at Corsica Hills Nursing Home in Centreville, Maryland, and Chester River Manor Nursing home in Chestertown, Maryland. She loved her jobs and worked diligently for many years.

Shirley loved to praise the Lord and visited many ministries, but found her spiritual place at Bethel A.M.E. Church in Chestertown, under the leadership of Reverend Robert Brown. Shirley loved to sing and later joined the choir.

“Li’l Shirley”, as many called her, which came from Little Shirley being named after her aunt, loved card games and eating crabs. What she loved and enjoyed the most, was spending time with her family. She expressed a great deal of love for her two children.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husband, William Maddox; father, Melvin A. Freeman Sr.; and brother Arthur M. “Buck” Freeman.

She leaves to celebrate her and to mourn her passing, her son, Donte Johnson (Nekia); daughter, Shawana Johnson; mother, Mary Black (Harrison); brothers, Charles Harmer (Zandra), James Henry (Shirley), Melvin Freeman Jr. (Barbara), Leo Freeman (Sissy), and Michael Freeman (Jackie); sisters, Linda Cann (James), Zelda James (Harold), Mary Black (Daniel), Vera Joe (Leroy), Kay Owens (Eric); grandchildren, DeQuan Johnson, Gabriel Johnson, Ryan Thompson, Eden Johnson and Olivia Thompson; and step-children, Nyaira Beck and Nyaija Sparks.

She was a devoted niece to Bertie and Joseph Towson.

She will be deeply missed by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Shirley Camellia Maddox, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

Tribute Wall

HF

“ My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."

H. Fields - January 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS!

Thomas & Libby Widgeon - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ I am sorry for your loss. Reading from the scriptures can give you comfort and peace. Read Psalms 34:18.

Irene - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ I would like to offer my personal condolences to your family. I hope that you will be able find strength in Gods promise at Revelation 21:4 that soon: he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away. You are in my thoughts and prayers and once more I am deeply sorry for your familys loss.

JoyceA - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I would like to offer my condolences for your loss. I hope you will find comfort in knowing that Jehovah, the God of all comfort, will soon eliminate all grief and provide permanent consolation when “all those in the memorial tombs will hear [Christ’s] voice and come out”! (John 5:28, 29) God promises that “he will do away with death forever, and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces.” (Isa. 25:8) Then, instead of having to “weep with those who weep,” all earth’s inhabitants will “rejoice with those who rejoice.”—Rom. 12:15.

M Jones - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM