



Melinda Williams

August 16, 1969 - April 19, 2016

On August 16, 1969 Sally Mae Williams and Johnnie Earl Artis Sr. were blessed with their child, Ms. Melinda “Pooh” Williams. On April 19, 2016 while a patient at Community Hospices in Washington, DC, Melinda transitioned from labor to reward. She will always be remembered and loved as a devoted and loving mother, grandmother, fiancé, sister, aunt, cousin and friend.

Melinda or “Ms. Pooh” as she was affectionately called, accepted the Lord into her life at an early age. She was known to always have a gospel song as her ringtone on her cell phone. One song in particular that she loved was Marvin Sapp’s, Never Would Have Made It.

Pooh received her formal education with the Washington, DC Public School System. Thereafter worked in the retail business for years at several establishments.

Spending time with her family and friends was a priority for Pooh; she loved her children and would do anything for them. Dinners with family and friends were special to her; especially if you wanted the best pork chops curry, jerk, and fried chicken. Known as “Ms. Fix It”, Pooh could fix or anything together. She was a very gifted cosmetologist, name a style you want Melinda could do it. She always said she and her daughter Lakeisha received that gift from her mother. The love for her granddaughter Journee was undeniable strong, she was the apple of her eye. She wanted nothing but the best for her nephews and nieces. You simply could not find a more talented and giving person.

Melinda was preceded in death by her mother Sally Mae Williams; a sister

Sharon Williams; a niece Georshae Williams; her grandfather James “June” Williams and grandmother Annie Artis Hall.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories; her children Lakeisha, Myeisha, Darieon and Brian Williams and her granddaughter Journee Williams all of Washington, DC; father Johnnie Earl Artis Sr. of Saratoga, NC; a devoted fiancé and friend Reggie Gator of Washington, DC; sisters Lakita Stewart and Tameka Williams of Washington, DC, Sherreia Artis-Smith of Wilson, NC; brothers Demetrius Jordan (Shelly) of Suitland, MD, Johnnie Earl Artis Jr. of Texas and Jacin Artis of Raleigh, NC; aunts Grace Lewis (Joseph) of Wilson, NC and Geraldine Legree (Theadore), Joyce Hall Shambley and Mary Hall Cooper all of Hyattsville, MD, Shirleen Hall Vines and uncle Milton Hall both of Chesapeake, VA; nieces and nephews Tenisha, Sandra, Caleb and Zamir Williams, Delonte Stewart; Demetrius Mayo, Kevin, Meredith and Derick Smith and special nieces Dominique Gator and Daniyah Johnson; special cousins Tonya and Keona Lewis, Angela Allen (Steve) and Jackie Bynum; God-daughter Mia Washington and God-son Micah White and a host of other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Saint Delight Baptist Church Cemetery

Previous Events

Night Visitation

APR **22**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Metropolitan Outreach Worship Center
9300 Livingstone Rd
Fort Washington, MD 20744
(230) 229-8211

Service

APR **22**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Deborah Washington lit a candle in memory of Melinda Williams*



Deborah Washington - April 22, 2016 at 08:39 PM



“ *My SHERO I will miss you dearly! I remember when I was a little boy and an older kids took my new shoes you got them back for me lol. And your awesome pork chops they was the best I ever had. I LOVE YOU WITH ALL MY HEART SISTER!! YOU WAS HITTING THAT CANCER WITH LEFT & RIGHT UPPER CUP WITH ALL YOUR HAD! BUT GOD WAS READY FOR YOU TO HAVE YOUR WINGS AND WATCH OVER YOUR FAMILY WITH MOM,SIS,POP,& NIECEY. R.I.P LUV YOU MUCH ALWAYS* 💕💕💕💕💕



Demetrius Jordan - April 22, 2016 at 09:38 AM

LS

“ My sister, my best friend. I love you and I miss you. Don't know what I will do without you. I am missing your early morning phone calls to me. I am missing our talks, your smile and unconditional love. You earned your wings, you fought hard, so you deserve to RIP. Love ya always, Tootie❤️💜❤️



Lakita Stewart - April 22, 2016 at 06:25 AM

SS

“ I remember when you came to North Carolina to visit me after I just had my second child Drea... She cried and cried and you rocked her to sleep. You called her a Hollering Jack!!!!



Sherreia Smith - April 22, 2016 at 12:18 AM

MW

“ She Was So In Love With Her Granddaughter Journee I'm Really Going To Miss My Mother💔😞😭



Myeisha Williams - April 21, 2016 at 09:39 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Melinda Williams*



Johnson & Jenkins Funeral Home - April 21, 2016 at 09:32 AM