



## Miss Shirley Gray Speight

August 19, 1935 - November 28, 2016

Shirley Gray Speight was born in Snow Hill, North Carolina on August 19, 1935 to the late Augusta Speight and Addie Jane Reid Speight. She was the third oldest child of 14 children. Preceded her in death; Sisters, Augustina Daniel, Minnie Horne, Marion Spell, Queenie Speight, Betty Kamara; Brothers, Eugene Speight, Charles Speight, Morris Speight, Walter Speight, Bobby Speight; Granddaughter, Tonya Randolph. She confessed her love for Christ at a very young age. She attended Pikesville High School, Wayne County, North Carolina.

Shirley had two children, Daughter, Linda Faye Speight Henson, and a Son, Darnell Speight. She moved to Washington, DC in 1958 and found employment as a home care provider. She worked in this field for 35 years. Some of her happier times were spent with her two best friends, Shirley Smith and Ann Thompson. They enjoyed going to church, traveling to Atlantic City, NJ and planning special events for family and friends. She looked forward to visiting her family in North Carolina. She always had kind and encouraging words to give to others. Her pride and joy were her two great grandchildren, whom she helped to raise. She was able to attend Dreonna's graduation from the University of Maryland and to see Diondre's graduation pictures, which he will be graduating in June. As her health began to fail, Faye and Donna gracefully stepped in and took care of her with love and compassion until the end.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories, Daughter, Linda Faye Henson, Takoma Park, MD, Son, Darnell Speight, Greenville, North Carolina, Granddaughter, Donna Speight, of Takoma Park, MD, Brothers; Melvin Speight (Ruth), New Carrollton, MD, Jimmy Speight, Takoma Park, MD, Sister; Rosa Speight, Asbury Park, NJ,; Fourteen grandchildren, Eight great grandchildren, God Son, Michael White, nieces, nephews, cousins, Play Daughters, Kimberly, Christine and a host of dear friends.

Interment

Gate of Heaven Cemetery

13801 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20906

# Cemetery Details

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13801 Georgia Ave  
Silver Spring, MD 20906  
(301) 871-6500  
[http://www.ccaw.org/cemeteries\\_gateheaven.html](http://www.ccaw.org/cemeteries_gateheaven.html)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Takoma Park Baptist Church  
635 Aspen Street NW  
Washington, DC 20012

## Service

DEC 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Deepest Sympathy to your family God's Word says, "He will swallow up death forever, and wipe away the tears from all faces " Isa. 25:8.....*

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**Holland** - January 11, 2017 at 08:16 AM

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“ *To the Speight Family,*

*I know that my dear friend Shirley will be missed. I have known her for over 39 years. She was a sweet, kind loving friend.*

*May God bless the family during their time of bereavement.*

*Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4*

*Your friend,*

*Anne Thompson  
Columbia, South Carolina*

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**Anne Thompson** - December 03, 2016 at 07:03 PM