



Shirley Slaughter

August 17, 1936 - May 20, 2024

Shirley Slaughter was born August 17, 1936, in Cape Girardeau, MO to the late Cynthia Hall and later adopted by Percy Hall. She was the oldest of two children, with her younger sister Dollie M. Farrar preceding her in death.

Shirley was educated in the John S Cobb School System in Cape.

Shirley married the late Freddie Slaughter in 1953, and five children were born from this union.

Shirley professed her life to Christ at an early age. She enjoys telling the story of her 1st visit to St. James A.M.E. Church as a teenager. She said she knew she was home, and she never left until her death. She loved working in the church and cherished praising the Lord. She served several roles within the church, including treasurer, the Pastor's Steward, hospitality committee member, and chancel choir member until her health prevented her services.

She retired from KFVS- TV 12, where she worked for 40+ years. She truly enjoyed her job and co-workers.

Shirley loved to read her Bible, help others, pray for and with others, gardening, playing cards, having family day every Sunday (which included great grandmother, grandmother, uncles, aunts, siblings, and cousins),

holidays at the park, family reunions, Christmas at her house, and later yearly at the cabin. She was a diligent community worker. She has worked in the polls during elections, collected for causes such as the American Red Cross, The American Cancer Society, and The American Heart Association. You could always find Shirley laughing and always wearing a smile on her face. She was a loving and caring person, a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. She always thought of others first. "To know her was to love her."

Shirley's legacy lives on through her five children, Edward D. Slaughter, Freddie L. Slaughter (Glodean), LaDonna D. White (Steve), Cynthia K. Hunter (Michael), and Beverly S. Slaughter. Her influence extends to her 21 grandchildren, 48 great-grandchildren, and 11 great-great grandchildren. She was also survived by sisters Victoria Whitehead, Beverly Prince, Melissa Prince, brother Gene Prince on father's side, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Freddie L. Slaughter, Sr; parents, Percy and Cynthia Hall; sisters, Dollie Farrar and Helen Sides; and a brother, Jessie Prince.

Shirley's love and care have left an indelible mark on her family and community, a testament to the impact she had on those around her.

Visitation will be 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Saturday, June 1, 2024, at Ford & Sons Sprigg St. Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will follow at 1:00 pm Saturday at the Sprigg St. funeral home with Pastors Geneva Patterson and Dr. David S. Blair.

Burial will be at Fairmount Cemetery following the service.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. James A.M.E. church.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Sprigg St. Chapel
118 S. Sprigg St.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63703

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

LW

“ My name is Leslie a Washington and I remember when I first came to Cape Girardeau in 2013. Ms Shirley was like a mother to me. she gave me guidance and love ❤️ she treated me like one of her children. She calmed me down when I was not feeling my best. She always had a great sense of humor and loved to keep me laughing. I could always talk to her about whatever was going on with me. I am deeply going to miss mother Shirley I love you 😍❤️💜😭😭😭😭😭😭😭😭

Leslie Anne Washington - May 31, 2024 at 07:39 PM

NC

“ She was like a mother to me. I would always go to the station almost everyday and she would be happy to see me even when she was answering the phones. She would ask me how my day was and I would tell her and she will be missed dearly. There is no one else like miss Shirley.!



Nathan Cromwell - May 31, 2024 at 02:17 PM

BN

“ She was like a mother. She would give me a hug that allowed me to make it through another day!! She will always and forever live on in my heart!!!



Brenda Newbern - May 30, 2024 at 10:48 PM

TM

“ Tower Club members purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Shirley Slaughter.



Tower Club members - May 30, 2024 at 10:45 PM

TM

“ Tower Club members planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Slaughter.

Tower Club members - May 30, 2024 at 10:45 PM

BA

“ Brenda, Mary and Antwainia purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Shirley Slaughter.



Brenda, Mary and Antwainia - May 30, 2024 at 10:39 PM

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Brenda, Mary and Antwainia - May 30, 2024 at 10:39 PM

MF

“ *Marcia Carter and family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Shirley Slaughter.*



Marcia Carter and family - May 30, 2024 at 05:29 PM

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Marcia Carter and family - May 30, 2024 at 05:29 PM

JJ

“ *John and Donna Jenkins purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Shirley Slaughter.*



John and Donna Jenkins - May 30, 2024 at 12:04 PM

DJ

“ *Miss Shirley was always so kind and accepting of me. She made me feel at home when I came to visit Cynthia, her daughter. She gave me words of advice, cheered me up, and sometimes fed me. Only if we had more "Ms. Shirley's" in the world!!! Thank you, Cynthia for sharing your Mom with me. Praying for you all. Much love.*

Donna and John Jenkins

Donna Jenkins - May 30, 2024 at 11:54 AM

CW

“ Miss Shirley as I so affectionately called her was a very sweet woman. I can remember spending alot of time at her house growing up because I am a friend of her daughter Cynthia. I always can remember that she had a smile on her face, and a very loving personality. I don't think I ever heard her raise her voice in any manner. She always had that welcoming spirit, and had kind words to say whenever I was around her and I'm pretty sure, I probably visited a little too much. lol She will be missed but she was a part of my childhood, that I will always remember and share it as a one of the good Momma's! 💕💕💕💕

Constance Harden aka(Connie Wilson)

Constance G H Wilson-Harden - May 30, 2024 at 11:15 AM

JS

“ Sincere Condolences and Prayers to you and your Family 🙏❤️! To know Mrs. Shirley is to love her, she always treated other's with love and kindness. She will be greatly missed but never forgotten.



Jenita Sparks-Johnson - May 30, 2024 at 09:28 AM



“ Thinking of you and your family. No one else can truly feel the sorrow that you bear, But may it help somehow today to know that others care. And may it help to ease your loss and bring comfort, too, to know that my thoughts are there in sympathy with you. Love Margaret Moss

Margaret Moss - May 29, 2024 at 09:00 PM



I too worked at KFVS and Shirley was always a bright spot in the day. I'm sure she will be missed.....but, she's now at her real home.

Tim Roth - May 30, 2024 at 08:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Shirley Slaughter.*



May 29, 2024 at 05:49 PM