

HOMEGOING SERVICES

Sheila Yvette Allen

Sunrise

November 28, 1958

Sunset

November 26, 2021



Service

Saturday, December 11, 2021 • 1:00 p.m.

ROY L. GILMORE'S FUNERAL HOME, INC.

191-02 Linden Blvd. • St. Albans, New York 11412

Order of Service

Presiding	Rev. Denise Robinson
Processional	Clergy & Family
Hymn of Comfort.....	“When We All Get to Heaven”
Scripture Readings	Victoria Allen
Old Testament.....	Isaiah 41:10
New Testament	John 14:1-4
Prayer of Consolation	Rev. Denise Robinson
Selection.....	“The Goodness of God” Minister Debi Dixon
Acknowledgement of Condolences	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Hawkins
Reflections	
Obituary	Jeremy Allen Williams
Selection.....	“I Can Only Imagine” Minister Debi Dixon
Eulogy	Rev. Judith Williams
Recessional	“This is My Season” (Sheila's Favorite song) Minster Debi Dixon

Interment
Walker Memorial Cemetery
Augusta, Georgia

Obituary

Sheila Yvette Allen was born on November 28, 1958 in Brooklyn NY, the first child to Ida M. and Herbert Allen Jr. At an early age, the family moved to Queens, where Sheila would live the rest of her life. As the oldest of six children, Sheila was considered by her siblings to be an authority figure along with their parents. At a young age she was known to help her sister and brothers with homework and studying for tests. As teenager, Sheila was a member of the Youth Group of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, where she received her confirmation and enjoyed attending religious retreats.

Always achieving high grades, Sheila graduated from Jamaica High School and York College with a degree in Economics. After College, Sheila worked as an accountant and joined the NYC Office of the Comptroller in 1984. She was promoted numerous times, eventually attaining the title of Director, Cash Management, in the Bureau of Asset Management. Sheila enjoyed a collegial relationship with her co-workers and developed many friendships at the Comptroller's Office. She was admired by those she supervised, and thought of as "a great boss".

In her twenties, Sheila joined Morningstar Missionary Baptist Church, where she was baptized. She enjoyed attending annual trips with Church members that were often planned by her brother Jeffrey. Sheila's love of travel led her to visit many Caribbean islands, often on cruises with her dear friend Althea, and family members. She also enjoyed traveling with her mother to Hawaii to visit her brother Steven while he was an active member of the military.

The joy of Sheila's life was her family, and in particular, her four nieces and six nephews whom she remained extremely close to throughout their lives. She loyally attended christenings, graduations, and every important event in their lives including virtually attending the wedding of her eldest nephew Justin during the Covid pandemic. When Sheila's sister gave birth to twins, Sheila took time off from work and visited every weekend for six months to help care for them. She always remembered the birthdays of all of her family members and could be counted on to send a text message to remind everyone else to send Happy Birthday wishes. Sheila was known to be extremely generous often giving family members gifts she wanted them to have, or knew they wanted, regardless of the cost to her. She was also a supporter of St. Jude's Children Hospital and UNICEF.

Sheila departed this life on November 26, 2021, after suffering an unexpected brain injury, to join her beloved mother in the Kingdom of Heaven. She was also preceded in death by her brother-in-law, James Williams. Sheila leaves to mourn her absence, her bereaved father, Herbert Allen Jr.; sister, Cynthia (James); brothers, Jeffrey (Phyllis), Ronald (Vernesa), Bernard, and Steven (Sheila); nieces, Brittany, Sydney, Shelby and Victoria; nephews Justin (Charisse), Eric, Jonathan, Barrington, Jeremy and Elijah; devoted best friend Althea Bazemore, and a host of other family, friends and colleagues.

2nd Corinthians 9: 6-7

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Cheerful Giver

*Every Nickel and Every Dime
should not dwell
upon your mind*

*For it is not on worth
that God does brood
it all relies
on attitude*

*so give your gifts
cheerfully*

*and surely you'll be blest
yes, give your gifts
gleefully*

*God loves a cheerful giver best
do not give gifts
with grief of loss*

*for then the gift is tainted
but give your gifts
with no thought of cost*

and righteousness will be acquainted

*Your gifts though need not be of earthly treasure
all acts and deeds can be offerings true
for in such gifts God does find pleasure
give generously, and he will give generously to you*

*so, sow your seeds not yet sparingly
lest sparingly you wish to reap*

*but sow them generously and caringly
and a bountiful harvest you will keep*

*so give your gifts, happy and eager
for attitude is all God sees*

*for with a good heart no gift is meager
And so Cheerful Givers, let us Cheerfully be.*

Acknowledgements

*The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation
the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown
to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

May God Bless and Keep You!

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