



Sheila L. Blackwell

December 7, 1948 - October 29, 2023

SHEILA L. BLACKWELL was born December 7th, 1948, to loving parents, the late Kenneth and Doris Walker of Brooklyn, New York. Sheila was educated in the New York City public school system and graduated from Clara Barton High School in Brooklyn, N.Y. She later attended Kingsboro Community College where she earned her associate degree.

Sheila married James A Blackwell. While married to James, Sheila became a dedicated mother to three children, Sean Anthony, Charese Tiffany, Ian Kenneth and one stepdaughter, Crystal Tajuana. She later divorced James.

As a young woman Sheila expressed profound interest in sewing, hairstyling and traveling. Sheila became the neighborhood hair stylist and went on to pursue a license in cosmetology! Hair was her passion. She worked late hours in her apartment styling hair for family and friends. Oftentimes she did not even charge her clients.

Sheila also brought life to any party!!! She loved to go out with her friends or collaborate a trip or event for her friends to attend. She liked to celebrate or just get together. If she needed a new outfit, Sheila made her outfit in one or two days, wore it to the party, arrive dressed and looking SHARP!!! She could literally party the night away!!!

While living in New York, Sheila worked in the banking industry. She wanted a better life for herself and her children. In 1991, Shiela moved her children to Atlanta, Georgia. Shortly after moving, she landed a job with the United States Postal Service (USPS). She retired from the United States Postal system in 2014.

After a 17-year long illness, Sheila passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 29, 2023, at Cambridge Care Nursing Facility in Snellville, GA with her children by her side. Sheila is now resting in the arms of her Heavenly Father and will undoubtedly be missed.

Sheila leaves many wonderful memories to be cherished for an eternity by all who crossed her path.

Sheila's two brothers preceded her in death, George and Kenneth (Junie) Walker.

Sheila's memories will be cherished the most by her loving children, Sean Anthony, Charese Tiffany, Ian Kenneth (Cynthia), and Crystal Tajuana (Anthony), her sister, Glovinia Brooks, Brooklyn N.Y. her cousin/sister Barbara Straughter, 9 grandchildren, Tyshwan, Cameron, Xavier, Nia, Giovanni, Nasir, John, Juanell, Jerrame and Julian. 8 great-grandchildren, Sincere, Sheika, Brant, Jordan, Kaleb, Dhalei, Layla and Lyrik and many other relatives, special friends and co-workers.

SHEILA YOU TRULY ARE ONE IN A MILLION AND YOU WILL FOREVER BE MISSED AND IN OUR HEARTS!!!

As Sheila would say, "Make it Do What It Do Babe"

Celebration of Life Services for Sheila L. Blackwell will be held on Monday,

November 6, 2023 at 3:00 PM. These services will be recorded and streamed live. If the event is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire event will be uploaded and available to view later in the day. Please copy and paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the event.

<https://vimeo.com/event/3857780>

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 6. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home - Lawrenceville Location
914 Scenic Highway South
Lawrenceville, GA 30045-6353

Celebration of Life

NOV 6. 3:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett and Sons - Gwinnett Chapel
914 Scenic Hwy
Lawrenceville, GA 30045

Tribute Wall

MW

“ Sheila you were a more than a coworker you were a dear friend
I miss the days when you would stop by the office for our daily chats
And the sharing of so many stories
RIP
Marie W.

marie w. - November 19, 2023 at 12:17 AM

AL

“ Sheila, you can not be replaced. I loved and appreciated our bond
and friendship.
Thank you for the special, sweet FUN memories. I love you!

Alexis - November 09, 2023 at 03:13 PM

CB

“ Sheila,
You became family the first time I met you. I'll
never forget the laughs we shared, the advice
you gave me, your smooth voice, and
especially your smile. You whipped my hair
into a million different "FLY" styles, some of which landed me a
couple of old boyfriends, LOL! Tell Uncle Mike I said "Hi"
REST IN POWER! Love Riisa



Clarissa Barrocales - November 06, 2023 at 04:34 PM

VH

“ Shawn, Tiffany, Ian word can't describe this moment. Your mom had such a kind heart and warm soul. Always embraced me and gave me words of wisdom to follow. She always told me stay focused and whatever I choose to do in life give it my all and the reward be worth the work. Be the best at whatever I do and never let anyone see me sweat when times get rough. All I keep hearing is her saying you and Ian shopping again, lol. Love u aunty ready in peace.

Vincent Holder - November 06, 2023 at 03:16 PM

RB

“ I'LL LIKE TO SEND MY CONDOLENCES, TO THE FAMILY, WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS WHAT I'AM FEELING, SHEILA WAS ONE OF THE LOVES OF MY LIFE, KAT AND HER, ARE HANGING OUT AGAIN, ONE LOVE!!!

Richard Brooks - November 06, 2023 at 02:34 PM

RP

Sending Prayers and Condolences!!! 🌸🌸🙏

Ruby Parker - November 07, 2023 at 04:09 PM

TB

“ The lovely incomparable Sheila Walker/Sheila Blackwell...however you'd come to know here, you were interacting with a beloved soul. So kind and generous with her time, generous with her patience...she was just the absolute bomb as a person. As a child I spent many hours with her on that 7th floor apartment in 1061 Myrtle Ave. She used to baby sit us and that in itself spoke volumes because our Mom was very selective in allowing us to stay in other people's home. Sheila was more than a baby-sitter, she would do our hair for back to school, easter, and of course picture day. She was knowledgeable in sewing, and we shared that passion in growing up, as my Mom was quite a sewer. So, we all used to run to the material stores on Broadway to get patterns, fabric and button holes made for our garments. We use to sit in that kitchen of 1061, all in the way on many a day, Watching Missy Walker (that's what I called Sheila's mom) and watch her cook and listen to her tell her stories, and give us our lectures. At times we had to take turns washing the dishes, cause Missy Walker did not miss a beat. Such wonderful times up in that 7th floor apartment. As time moved on and we grew older we still kept in touch and followed her to visit when she moved out and was on Troy Ave or Kingston...can't remember...just knew that the 47-bus stopped right in front of the house to go home. After that I remember trekking out to Coney Island when she moved out there, and as always, her special group of friends would also be out there. I will never forget going one time and cousin Barbara was making fried rice. I watched in amazement that she had put carrots in it, of course I asked what you do that for and she convinced me to taste her version. I did and now, when I make my fried rice, carrots are a main staple for me. I enjoyed my life's experience with being a part of the Sheila Walker-Blackwell fan club, as did my sister's and I will always hold a lock and key in my heart for you Sheila as family. It was a beautiful ride, a sweet ride, an enlightening ride. One that I will never forget, and I will never forget the lasting impression you made upon me. You can rest now Sheila, rest well because you were a beacon of light and a safe space for many. Rest beautiful



one...rest. The Most High is pleased with you.

Tina Brown - November 06, 2023 at 01:07 PM

SC

“ *My sincere condolences to the Blackwell family. We were partners on tour one at the post office. We always had good conversations and laughter together. You will be missed. Take your rest my friend. Job well done, until we meet again.*

Sharran Cross - November 06, 2023 at 11:57 AM

JH

*I've known Sheila since our kids were in day care. We quickly bonded and shared memories, events, and even partying with the other members of our group. Sheila was the glue bc she knew everyone. We even took our kids with us on a girl's trip to Bermuda. I'm still numb after learning of her passing. I wish to express condolences to her 3 children and her cousin Barbara who have been by her side the entire length of her illness. R.I.P my friend.
Jacqueline Hairston*

Jacqueline Hairston - November 06, 2023 at 03:38 PM

JK

“ *Please accept my condolences*

JESSE Koomson - November 06, 2023 at 07:03 AM

SW

“ *To the Blackwell family I am so very sorry for your loss, I pray that god will wrap his loving arms around you. I met your mom back in the 70's at Kingsborough Community College and we became instant friends. She was the godmother of my youngest daughter. I will truly miss her until we meet again*



Sandra Whittaker - November 05, 2023 at 11:50 PM

ZK

“ *To Our Auntie Sheila*

You will be missed. You were my mother's sister by choice not by blood but we never knew any difference because we were all raised like family. We had a awesome village and we have great memories thank you for being in our lives. Love you always Richard&KatGirlz Zina, Tanya, Malika (your goddaughter) and Leani 💜🙏💜 *S.I.P*

Zina Kirkland - November 04, 2023 at 05:00 PM

ZK

To our family we love you all we are sending our love and condolences



Zina Kirkland - November 04, 2023 at 05:02 PM

EH

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the family. Shelia and I worked together at USPS. Shelia would always be smiling. We would always have great conversation. We were both from Brooklyn. Shelia will be missed by many. R.I.P Shelia*



Elicia Heard - November 04, 2023 at 01:24 PM