



Sherrill Marcus

July 11, 1942 - December 16, 2024

Sherrill Marcus, a fearless civil rights activist, gifted orator, and unwavering advocate for justice, passed away peacefully on December 16, 2024, at 82. Born in Birmingham, Alabama, to the late Ammie Leola Marbury Marcus and Reverend Robert James Marcus, Sherrill's life was grounded in faith, integrity, and a relentless pursuit of justice.

He was a proud graduate of Ullman High School and Miles College. A life-long Methodist, he was a dedicated Cascade United Methodist Church member. Sherrill was deeply committed to the struggle for civil rights and social equity.

He was an active member of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), the NAACP, the Voter Education Project (VEP), and the Southern Organizing Committee for Economic and Social Justice (SOCK). Through these organizations, he helped lead marches, organize communities, and speak truth to power, playing a vital role in the victories of the Civil Rights Movement.

He was also a proud member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., where he found brotherhood and a shared mission of service and leadership. Even after retirement, Sherrill remained active with various committees, continuing to serve his community with the same conviction and care that defined his entire life. One of his greatest joys was gardening—nurturing the earth and

generously sharing his harvest with family, neighbors, and friends. Known for his bold voice, steady leadership, and unwavering moral compass,

Sherrill was a man who laid a foundation for others to follow. His legacy is that of a fearless trailblazer who stood tall, even when it wasn't easy or popular. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Carol Marcus; son, Sherrill Gregory Marcus; parents; and three siblings, James E. Marcus, Herschel Marcus, and Annie Wilkes.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his two loving daughters, Pamela Marcus and Kimberly Marcus; four grandchildren, Angelica Marcus, Alicia Chatman Price (Darrick Price), Bryan Chatman (Mary Chatman), and Jennifer Thompson; fourteen great-grandchildren; three surviving siblings; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other extended family, and cherished friends.

His Legacy Sherrill Marcus will be remembered as a courageous activist, passionate voice for justice, and servant-leader who lived by faith and principle. His spirit lives on in every life he touched through his words, his actions, and the seeds he planted both in the soil and in the hearts of those around him

Memorial Celebration of Life for Mr. Sherrill Marcus will be held Saturday, May 3, 2025, 11am at Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home, 914 Scenic Hwy., Lawrenceville, GA., 30045. 770-338-5558. www.levettfuneralhome.com
<https://vimeo.com/event/5090360>

Tribute Wall



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April 26, 2025 at 10:53 AM



“ *OUR DEEPEST PRAYERS, LOVE, & CONDOLENCE IN THE LOSS OF YOUR FATHER SHERRILL MARCUS & MY DEAREST COUSIN!*

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