

Sister Shirley Ruth Williams Munns was born in Sumter County, Georgia on July 14, 1942, to the parentage of the late Mr. Thomas Williams and the late Mrs. Freddie Black (Henry) Willis. She was raised in the home with her grandparents, the late Mr. Harper and the late Mrs. Annie Laura Black. She received her education at the Shipp Training School. She joined the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Carl Munns, Jr., who would become her husband for 65 years. She was employed at Davidson Textron and the Americus Times-Recorder.

On April 9, 2024, the Lord opened the gates of Heaven and let Shirley into His eternal home. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by a daughter, Leslie Carlette Munns; her brothers, Alton (Florence) Black and George Willis; her sisters-in-law and their spouses, Annie Pearl (Sherman) Williams and Lizzie (Moses) Linder; her aunt and spouse, Mildred (Eli) Stewart; her uncle, Henry (Gennie) Black; her brothers-in-law, Charlie Josey and Lynwood Volley.

Left to cherish her memories are her devoted and caring husband, Rev. Carl Munns, Jr., Americus, GA; her caring children: Mrs. Diane (Marcus) Raven, Mr. Richard Everette (Clara) Munns, Mr. Jeffery Scott (Brinda) Munns, Mr. Brian Keith (Sandra) Munns and Mrs. Tracy Lashonda (Martin) Haynes, all of Americus, GA; her sister, Ms. Angila (John) Uwagbae, Portland, OR; her in-laws, Mr. Jimmy (Annie Laura) Munns, Tampa, FL; Mrs. Willie (Charlie) Josey, Belle Glade, FL and Mrs. Catherine Volley, Americus, GA; 13 loving grandchildren: MarShekia Raven, Jonesboro, GA; Christopher Luster, Shirley Munns, April (Alphonse) Howard, Kendra Raven, Antorie (Shaquetta) Munns, Jayla Munns, all of Americus, GA; Ashely Munns, Florida; Antwan Bridges, Los Angeles, CA; Bre-on (Sheldon) Pierce, Marcus Raven, Jr., all of Columbia, SC; DeAndre Wilburn, Macon, GA and Jeffery Munns, Jr., Atlanta, GA; 26 caring great grandchildren; two loving goddaughters and their spouses, Mrs. Patricia (Henry) Green and Mrs. Lovie (Eric) Foster; her loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends, including Ms. Cookie, also survive.