



Celebration of Life

Sunrise

September 16, 1947

Sunset

April 27, 2023



Shirley Jean Gamble

Sunday: May 7, 2023

Visitation: 4:00pm

Homegoing Celebration: 5:00pm

Triedstone Missionary Baptist Church

858 East Third Avenue
Columbus, OH 43201

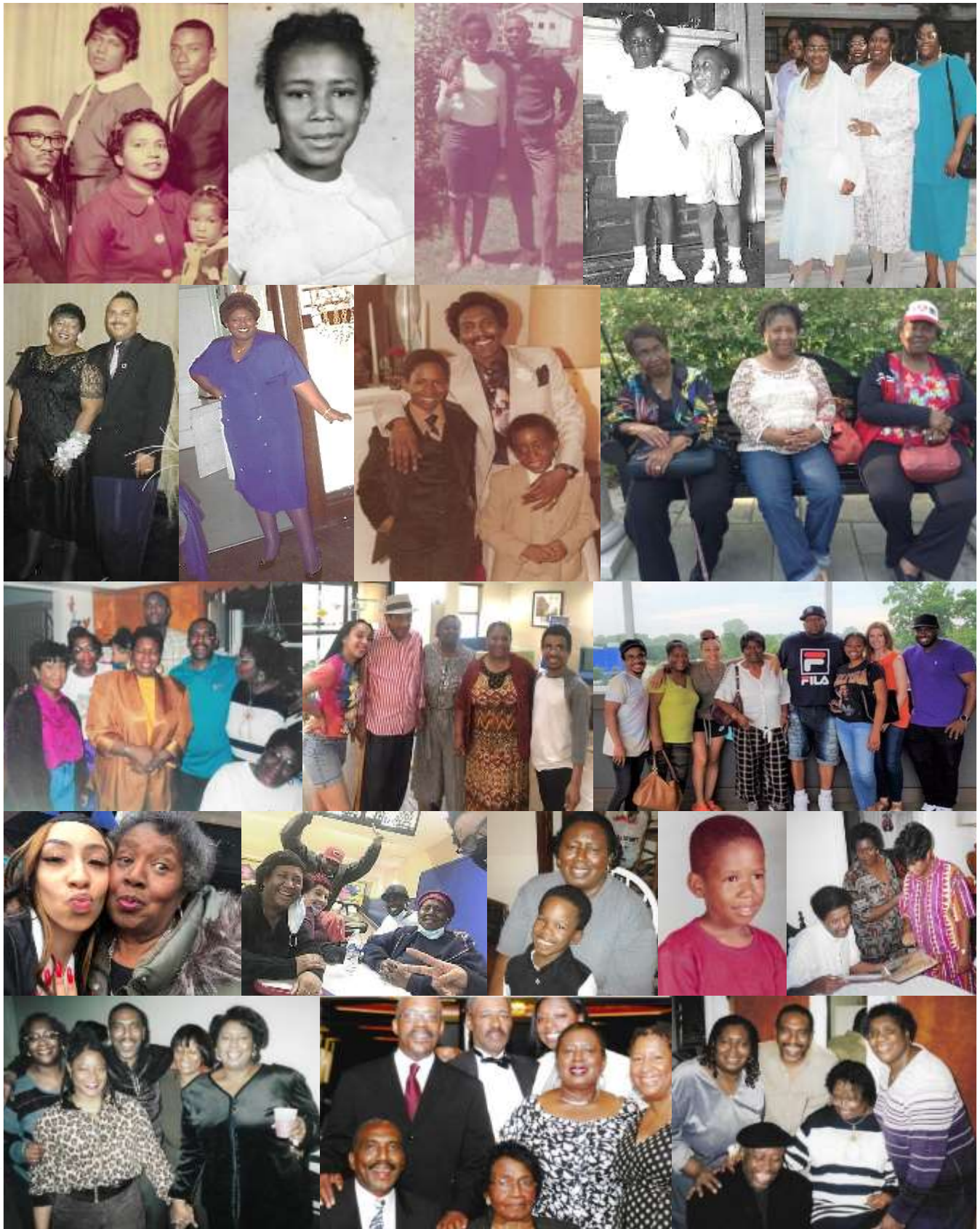
Overseer Dale D. Tucker, Sr. – Senior Pastor
Officiant

Bishop Jerome H. Ross, Sr. – Pastor Emeritus
Eulogist

"The moments may have ended but the memories last forever."



*"Life brings tears, smiles, and memories.
The tears dry, the smiles fade, but the memories last FOREVER."*



The Obituary



Sister Shirley Jean Gamble (nee Nelson) was born in Winston Salem, North Carolina on September 16, 1947 to the late James and Hilda Nelson. On April 27, 2023, she transitioned from labor to reward. At a very young age, Sister Shirley accepted the Lord as her Savior at Antioch Baptist Church in Winston Salem, North Carolina.

She attended Woodland Elementary and Atkins High School in North Carolina. In January of 1962, Sister Shirley, her parents and her siblings moved to Columbus, Ohio. The whole family joined Triedstone Missionary Baptist Church after settling in. Sister Shirley was active in the Youth Choir, Hattie Jackson Guild, Angelic Christian Voices, Psalms Praise team, and Mass Choir. She also participated in Gospel Meets Symphony and she sang with Jonathan Wood and the Spiritual Uplifters.

As an adult, Sister Shirley attended and graduated from Mansfield Business College as a certified Data Processor. Afterwards, she was employed and retired from the Ohio Department of Health for 35 years of service.

In her spare time, Sister Shirley enjoyed gardening, sewing and in her later years, participating in Barnett's stretching and step classes, while also engaged in Bible Study Fellowship (BSF). She loved getting together with family and friends for bowling and for the holidays; Christmas was always celebrated at her house! She had a love like no other for her children and grandchildren and she would always ensure that they got home safe and sound (calling her back was a MUST).

Sister Shirley Gamble was preceded in death by *Father*: James W. Nelson; *Brother*: Kenneth A. Nelson; *Mother*: Hilda P. Nelson, and *Nephew*: Kenneth Nelson Jr.

She leaves to cherish her memory by **Brother**: Melvin (Linda) Nelson; **Sister**: Jeanne Blackburn; **Brother**: Cary Smart; **Sister-In-Law**: Brenda Nelson; **Daughter**: Cynthia Austin; **Son**: Willie (Tina) Gamble; **Grandchildren**: Brandon Gamble, Iman C.J. Campbell, Andrew Austin, Brian Gamble, Caitlin Austin, and Skylar Gamble; **Adopted Mother**: Ella (Jason) Lewis, along with a host of **Nieces** and **Nephews**, **Cousins**, **Families** and **Friends**.

*We'll see you again where the sun is always shining
We'll see you again where sorrows are no more
Where we'll join hands together and we'll sing around the throne
Can't hardly wait till the day we'll see you again*

God be with you till we meet.....Again!

A Celebration Honoring the Life of:

Shirley Jean Gamble



Overseer Dale D. Tucker, Sr. - Officiant
Triedstone Missionary Baptist Church – Senior Pastor

Musical Prelude.....Triedstone Musicians

Parting View....."Twelve Gates to the City".....Triedstone Music and Arts Ministry

Reading of the Scriptures:.....Ministerial Staff

Old Testament: Psalms 121
New Testament: Romans 8: 38-39

Prayer of Comfort.....Ministerial Staff

Musical Selection....."I Can Go To God In Prayer".....Triedstone Music & Arts Ministry

Acknowledgement of Resolutions.....Deaconess Denise E. Reid

Tributes.....Mother Ella Lewis
Video Tribute

Solo....."I Won't Complain".....Sister Diane Scott

Deacon Joseph Mickey
Triedstone Music & Arts Ministry

Andrew Austin, IV
Family

Musical Selection....."All Of My Help".....Deaconess Cynthia Austin (Daughter)
Triedstone Music & Arts Ministry

Eulogy

Bishop Jerome H. Ross, Sr.

Triedstone Missionary Baptist Church - Pastor Emeritus

Recessional.....

Expressions of Love:



There are many things that I remember about you.

I remember the Saturday mornings and mid-summer weeks, I remember the road trips and the travels, I remember the after-school latchkey (for grandkids only) and the holiday meals of dressing and greens!

But most of all, I remember the love and encouragement that you always gave to each and every one of us.

We'll miss you Grandma, until the day we get to see you again!

I love you, Grandma. **Aj**

Grandma, or Grandmother, as you preferred (even though we never seriously called you that lol).

You were such a character, so much personality, a huge sense of humor, all attention had to be on you, and oh so dramatic. As I get older, as much as I used to try to deny it, I see why everyone says we act just alike!

My Virgo queen, sister, even with all of our similarities, no one could ever duplicate your fun, protective, loving and caring spirit. You were truly one of a kind. You were always SO proud of everything I did and thought no one was more beautiful than me (& you were right! LOL). I wish you were going to be here for all of my future endeavors, but I know you'll be watching every step of the way.

Now you're on the highest thrown, Queen Bee!

I love and will miss you always, **Caity**

Grandma, I miss you so much already. I knew this day would come, but this is way too soon. I wish we had more time with you. You were more than a grandmother to me; you were like a third parent to me. You would provide for me when my parents could not. You were such a crucial and integral part of my life, a key and influential reason to the man I have become today. Me, my brothers, and cousins were so lucky to have you as a grandmother. I hope that we continue to make you proud as you look down on us from heaven.

I love you grandma. **Brandon**

A Grandmother's Amazing Gifts

The ability to see behind a smile and heal a broken heart.

To believe, to trust, to always hope until achievement blossoms out.

To look beyond your apparent faults and profess "You are the best"

To hug, to hold, to gently squeeze until you know how much you're loved.

"You may be gone from our sight but you are never gone from our heart."





Interment

Evergreen Burial Park

1401 Woodland Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43219

Pallbearers

Andrew Austin, IV – Brandon Gamble – Skylar Gamble
Ryan Nelson - Melton Parnell – Melvin Parnell

Honorary Pallbearers

Donald Brown – Willie Gamble, Jr. – Warren Harding – Melvin Nelson

Flower Bearers

Triedstone Music & Arts Ministry

Acknowledgements

The family of Sister *Shirley Jean Gamble* says, “**THANK YOU**” to our many friends for your support, love and expressions of kindness shown to them.

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Bishop Jerome and Lady Patricia Ross, the Triedstone Missionary Baptist Church Family and
Marlan Gary and the Marlan Gary Funeral Home – The Chapel of Peace.



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