

Obituary

Annie Joe Pharr was born, one of five children, to Arthur Wood and Merdis Chappell on August 25, 1940 in Ashland, Alabama.

She received her early education in Ashland, Al, as well as Lyneville, Al. Annie felt it was time to leave Alabama in the early 1960's and moved to New York. There she met and married Walter Pharr and conceived 2 sons and a daughter. Together they raised them along with Annie's first daughter Debra.

After separating from Walter, Annie worked various jobs to help raise her family. Some of the most memorable were for a department store, no longer in business named Alexanders. There she stayed for over ten years, meeting one of her best friends, here today, Mary Sherman, who became the godparent to Annie's children.

It was after Alexanders closed when she enrolled in College of New Rochelle and received her Bachelor's Degree in social work. She was able to gain experience by volunteering as a child supervisor for a neighborhood center. She also volunteered in a senior citizen center as an administrative assistant and field trip organizer. She worked in her chosen field of social work for New York Foundling as a parent resource coordinator for 24 years.

Annie was a feisty, strong woman. She had no problems speaking her mind and she had a kind heart. She loved to read but as her eyes matured in her later years, she enjoyed watching her favorite shows: Law and Order, Bluebloods, NYPD Blue or CSI. She was excited to watch Texas Walker Ranger and was tickled by Steve Harvey of Family Feud. She simply enjoyed relaxing at home and being there for her grandchildren.

She peacefully departed this life on March 27, 2019 due to complications from high blood pressure. She was surrounded by her family and friends.

She leaves behind three siblings, Addie, David and Dorothy. Three nieces, Gwendolyn, Keisha and Deloris. One nephew David, Jr. Four great grandchildren, Nathan, Trey, Donovan and Jordan. Four grandchildren, Morris, Jr., Jessica, Madison and Steven. Three children, Sturlson, John and Yvette. Annie worked tirelessly to help her friends and family. Now she rests and will be missed.

Order of Service

Selection Prayer of Comfort Scripture Readings Old Testament - John 14:27 New Testament - Romans 8:18 Selection Remarks Family & Friends (2 Minutes Please) Acknowledgement of Cards and Condolences **Obituary Reading** Selection Last Glance Committal / Benediction Recessional

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery Linden New Jersey

African Proverb:

The old woman looks after the child to grow its teeth and the young one in turn looks after the old woman when she loses her teeth.

~ Akan (Ghana, Ivory Coast) proverb



Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express the deepest appreciation and thanks for the kindness shown to Annie throughout her life, and to the family in their time of sorrow. Wishing you all peace and love.

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