



Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell

December 28, 1959 - August 18, 2025

Ms. Shirley Anita Powell was born December 28, 1959 in Summerville, Georgia the daughter of Paul Edward Underwood and Beulah Beatrice (Adams) Underwood. She passed away on Monday, August 18, 2025 at the age of 65 years.

Shirley was a longtime resident of Saginaw, Michigan. She attended Saginaw Public Schools and became a graduate of Ruben Daniels Adult High School. She worked in the home healthcare field, working in several places, with Woodlawn being her final place of employment before retirement. Shirley enjoyed nurturing and taking care of people. She just loved people and bringing them joy. She was described by people as being loving, having a good heart, a sense of heart and that kind of sister and friend that you' wanted. Goodness showed all over her.

Surviving Ms. Powell her siblings, Bertha Adams, Steve Adams, Kenneth Underwood, Sandra (Ronald) Jackson, Jodie Underwood, Cynthia Underwood, Yolanda Cooper and Kathleen Bates; special cousin, Doris Chaney; godson, Paris Phillips; best friends, Phyllis Phillips, Marilyn Daniels and Janice Perry; special friend, Darnell Nickleberry and special friend/ex-husband, Ricky Powell, other relatives and friends.

Shirley Anita Powell was preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Beulah

Underwood; brothers, James and Ramon Underwood, Gerrod, Todd and Mark Underwood; sister, Gail Shropshire; step-mother, Mary Helen Underwood; grandmother, Rosa Underwood; uncle, Joe Underwood, aunt, Edna Walker and bonus-mother, Doris Cooper.

The family expresses special thanks to the New Covenant Christian Center family and the staff of Covenant Healthcare-Cooper.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2025 at New Covenant Christian Center, 2395 S. Outer Dr., Saginaw, Michigan 48601. Apostle Ron Frierson will officiate. Visitation 9:00 a.m. until the time of service.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (Est)

New Covenant Christian Center
2395 South Outer Drive
Saginaw, MI 48601

Funeral Service

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (Est)

New Covenant Christian Center
2395 South Outer Drive
Saginaw, MI 48601

Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Juanita Boyd lit a candle in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell*



Juanita Boyd - September 29, 2025 at 07:08 PM

MS

“ *Mary Smithers lit a candle in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell*



Mary Smithers - August 31, 2025 at 04:06 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell.*



August 30, 2025 at 05:26 PM

KU

“ *Kenneth and Angela Underwood planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell.*

Kenneth and Angela Underwood - August 29, 2025 at 12:48 PM

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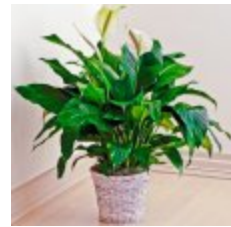
“ Kenneth and Angela Underwood purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell.



Kenneth and Angela Underwood - August 29, 2025 at 12:48 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell.



August 29, 2025 at 08:22 AM

DT

“ Doris Essex Taylor lit a candle in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell



Doris Essex Taylor - August 28, 2025 at 03:44 PM

RB

“ Rosette Blakes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell



Rosette Blakes - August 27, 2025 at 07:50 PM

LW

“ Prayers for Darnell and the family of Shirley Powell. Shirley was a true angel here on earth. Rest peacefully in Heaven. ❤️



Lisa Williams - August 24, 2025 at 01:10 PM

MT

“ Mary Hannibal 🐾 Saginaw, Texas. sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell



Mary Hannibal 🐾 Saginaw, Texas. - August 23, 2025 at 10:51 PM

MM

“ Melvin And Bessie McKandes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell



Melvin and Bessie McKandes - August 22, 2025 at 11:14 PM


CP

“ Coriana Parks lit a candle in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell



Coriana Parks - August 22, 2025 at 07:55 AM

MT

“ Mary Hannibal  Saginaw, Texas. sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell



Mary Hannibal  Saginaw, Texas. - August 22, 2025 at 07:16 AM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell.



August 21, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Shirley Anita Powell.

August 21, 2025 at 09:26 AM

KC

“ Kenneth Alan Choyce lit a candle in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell



Kenneth Alan Choyce - August 20, 2025 at 09:22 PM

P-

“ Sending love and prayers 🙏.



Phyllis E. Phillips -Smith - August 20, 2025 at 01:54 PM

P-

“ Paula Phillips -Terrell sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Shirley "Nita" Anita Powell



Paula Phillips -Terrell - August 20, 2025 at 01:53 PM

P-

“ Nita it breaks my heart 💔 to hear of your passing. You were a true friend to my sister Phyllis. I don't know how to tell her that you're gone home to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ 🙏. I want to thank you for being there when my daughter Ashley was born. You and Phyllis were both there cheering me on. Rest dear sister 🙏. Love you for being you. Sandy I want to say that you're a faithful and loving sister and I want you to know that everything you've done for your sister is gratefully acknowledged and appreciated. You're not alone, you're LOVED. Praying 🙏 for your strength. In the name of Jesus. Amen 🙏🙏.



Paula Phillips -Terrell - August 20, 2025 at 01:43 PM