



Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin

September 20, 1951 - March 5, 2026

Sonya Willette Lampkin was born on September 20, 1951, in St. Louis, Missouri. She was the daughter of Maude (Leroy) Burton and Andrew L (Betty) Williams. During her childhood, Sonya moved to Saginaw, Michigan, where she spent her formative years.

Graduating from Saginaw High School in 1969. She went on to attend Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan. She was an active member of Bethel AME Church and Jarena Lee AME Church; the latter being founded by her mother.

Sonya held various positions throughout her professional life. She worked at Michigan National Bank, GM Grey Iron Foundry, Bethel AME Church, Pontiac Motors, Gartenhaus Furs in Maryland, and Defiance Powertrain Foundry in Ohio. She had a passion for hot sauce, cooking, music, and writing poetry. She enjoyed watching Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy and The Weather Channel.

Ms. Sonya Willette Lampkin is survived by her only child, Shanika (Booney) Lampkin (Yusef Malik Al-Kabir); grandchildren, Shayla Lampkin and Jace Allen; siblings, Deidra (Howard) McEachern, Andrew (Mary) Williams, and Andrea Tate; nieces, Diamond Davis, Shaniya Yates, and Teleah McEachern; nephews, Sterling (Tina) Jordan Jr, Errol (Marissa) Baty, and Andrew

Williams. A host of other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends, including her special sister from another mother, Freda McCannelley; special cousins, Freddy Jennings and Dwinya Thompson; adopted children/godchildren, Alina Cannon, Robert Jamerson and Lanette West; little best friend, Justice Perkins.

Sonya was preceded in death by her parents, Leroy and Maude Burton, and Andrew Williams; siblings Errol Jackson, Secily Yates, and Darlene Williams; aunts Betty Edmonds and Vivian Thompson; and a special cousin, Pearlita Fields.

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. with funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Monday, March 16, 2026, at Bethel A.M.E. Church, 535 Cathay Street, Saginaw, MI 48601. Rev. Thelma Williams will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington Avenue, Saginaw, MI 48601. Visitation will begin at 9:00 a.m. until the time of service.

Previous Events

Family Hour

MAR 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Church
535 Cathay Street
Saginaw, MI 48601

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Funeral Service

MAR 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

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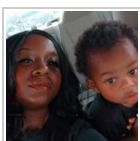
Tribute Wall

WM

“ *RIP my Friend*



Wendy Price McGuire - April 05 at 07:03 PM



“ *Wow still In disbelief. It's 6:45am and I'm thinking of you auntie. I definitely can't believe I'm having to write this. I will miss you until we meet again. Please watch over us.*

Diamond Davis - March 23 at 06:49 AM

EM

“ *Estrella D McRae lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Estrella D McRae - March 22 at 01:54 PM

HW

“ *Henrietta Watson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Henrietta Watson - March 19 at 03:02 PM

AK

“ Alfred Kelly lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Alfred Kelly - March 19 at 09:21 AM

GT

“ Sonya & my youngest Sister Shelia was very close friends & Sonya was also Family her having the one & only child being our Cousin (Boonie) much Love for her Sympathies for the entire family

Gwen Tolliver - March 18 at 12:29 PM

PL

“ May God bless you all.



Pauline Lawrence - March 17 at 07:34 PM

RW

“ Royce Walker-Jackson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Royce Walker-Jackson - March 17 at 10:42 AM

GP

“ Gail And Dennis Porter lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Gail and Dennis Porter - March 16 at 10:04 PM

AH

“ Aretha Hairston sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Aretha Hairston - March 16 at 07:48 PM

GL

“ Glendorah Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Glendorah Lawrence - March 16 at 04:12 PM

SJ

“ Sorry for your loss, my sympathy goes out to family and friends



Shirley Jones - March 16 at 09:10 AM

CD

“ Chon (Jones) & Vincent Dugan sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Chon (Jones) & Vincent Dugan - March 15 at 11:22 PM

TT

“ Terry Triplett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Terry Triplett - March 15 at 08:38 PM

PH

“ Patricia Hill lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Patricia Hill - March 15 at 06:07 PM

VH

“ Remembering my dear childhood friend! So many great memories! Been quite awhile since we last saw each other, at least 10 years ago during Buena Vista and Saginaw High and others class reunion! How the years have passed quickly! Prayers and love sent to Sonya's entire family and friends.



Vera Hill Harper, Decatur, Georgia

Vera Harper Hill - March 15 at 04:03 PM

LB

“ Sonya You will be truly missed here on earth but Your Friend and Classmate Marion will meet You at the gate with open arms 🙏



Lorraine Bond-Riley - March 15 at 12:34 PM

NW

“ Sending prayers to the Jackson and Lampkins family. Me and Sonja were childhood friends .RIP Sonja GOD has u now.

Nancy Williams - March 15 at 08:13 AM

KB

“ Kai Bailey lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Kai Bailey - March 14 at 04:53 PM

RW

“ Rhonda L. Warren lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Rhonda L. Warren - March 14 at 02:30 PM

PD

“ God please be with the family cover them in your unfailing love. God they need you right now in Jesus name. 💕🙏



Patricia Davis - March 14 at 01:46 PM



“ RIP Sonya.
Mary Lawrence, SHS Class of 1969.



Mary Lawrence - March 14 at 07:33 AM

FC

“ Ms.Sonya was a nice and beautiful person in God.I got to know her from church and her and her family are very well remembered. My condolences to the family and friends of Ms.Sonya



Felecia Cole - March 13 at 10:52 PM

BM

“ *Beatrice McAfee lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Beatrice McAfee - March 13 at 10:33 PM

JT

“ *RIP Sonya!* 🙏



John T. Turner - March 13 at 08:22 PM

PH

“ *Patricia Hill lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Patricia Hill - March 13 at 06:43 PM

PM

“ *Pamela Brown Maloy lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Pamela Brown Maloy - March 13 at 01:46 PM

CW

“ *Cookey Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Cookey Williams - March 13 at 10:39 AM

AS

“ *Angelo, Shaniya and your sleeping sister purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin.*



Angelo, Shaniya and your sleeping sister - March 12 at 10:32 PM

AS

“ *Angelo, Shaniya and your sleeping sister planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin.*

Angelo, Shaniya and your sleeping sister - March 12 at 10:32 PM

SC

“ *SONA Carruth lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



SONA Carruth - March 12 at 05:40 PM

JR

“ *Jerrold Rance lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Jerrold Rance - March 12 at 02:15 PM

AW

“ *Andrew & Mary Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Andrew & Mary Williams - March 12 at 12:59 PM

BT

“ *Barbra J. Roberson /Dallas, Tx lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Barbra J. Roberson /Dallas, Tx - March 12 at 11:55 AM

AF

“ *Alfred Kelly And Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Alfred Kelly and Family - March 11 at 08:26 PM

AL

“ *Angela L. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin.*



Angela L. - March 11 at 06:15 PM

CG

“ *The Goodman and Martin family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin.*



catherine Goodman - March 11 at 04:54 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin.*

March 11 at 09:42 AM

FN

“ *Freddie Nowell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Freddie Nowell - March 11 at 09:12 AM

BB

“ *Brenda Braddock lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Brenda Braddock - March 11 at 07:49 AM

SH

“ *Stephanie Hall lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Stephanie Hall - March 11 at 07:33 AM

LV

“ *Linda McClain Veasley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Linda McClain Veasley - March 10 at 09:23 PM

WF

“ *Wanda Faye Reynolds And Reynolds Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Wanda Faye Reynolds and Reynolds family - March 10 at 07:18 PM

PR

“ Aaron & Paula Rogers



Paula Rogers - March 10 at 12:27 PM

SS

“ Randolph St will never be the same. Rest Sonya you will be missed. The Smith Family Cumberland St. Right across the lot.



Sharon J. Smith - March 10 at 11:01 AM

JS

“ Jamie Sanders-Hicks lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Jamie Sanders-Hicks - March 10 at 10:55 AM

ST

“ Shirley A Taylor lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Shirley A Taylor - March 10 at 04:05 AM

JB

“ *Jerome Buckley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Jerome Buckley - March 10 at 02:37 AM

TR

“ *I Cherish the memories of Sonya (Little Bit). And especially the Awesome gift of our daughter Booney. Thanks for beautiful scriptures you gifted me the last time we met in Saginaw. Rest in Peace in God's Arms. Tony Robertson*

Tony Robertson - March 10 at 01:59 AM

BB

“ *Belinda Barlow-Poole lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Belinda Barlow-Poole - March 09 at 11:44 PM

JM

“ *James And Ola McMillan lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



James and Ola McMillan - March 09 at 11:24 PM

AP

“ *Alberta Pruitt lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Alberta Pruitt - March 09 at 11:18 PM

LM

“ *Lydia Willette McCanelley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Lydia Willette McCanelley - March 09 at 11:07 PM

AM

“ *Adondra McCanelley Murphy sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Adondra McCanelley Murphy - March 09 at 10:58 PM

RW

“ *Rodney And Barbara Walker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Rodney and Barbara Walker - March 09 at 09:02 PM

PB

“ Love you sis. 💕💕💕🕊️🕊️🕊️🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🌹🌹 You will be deeply missed. R.I.P sis. 😞🕊️🕊️🙏🙏🙏

Prencilla Brinson - March 09 at 08:44 PM

SS

“ Miss you already MS.S THIS IS NOT GOODBYE. THIS IS SEE YOU LATER. GOD'S WILL.



Spencer Scott - March 09 at 07:07 PM

HF

“ Helton Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Helton Family - March 09 at 07:07 PM

TR

“ Tony and Kathy Robertson purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin.



Tony and Kathy Robertson - March 09 at 06:27 PM

LM

“ *Linda M McCune lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Linda M McCune - March 09 at 03:58 PM

MJ

“ *Marilyn Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Marilyn Johnson - March 09 at 03:54 PM

CS

“ *Cathy An Tyrone Swilley sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Cathy an Tyrone Swilley - March 09 at 02:58 PM

MG

“ *Miller Deborah Goines lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Miller Deborah Goines - March 09 at 10:13 AM

HP

“ *Harold Pruitt lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Harold Pruitt - March 09 at 09:38 AM

TH

“ *Tamara Humes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Tamara Humes - March 09 at 07:22 AM

JW

“ *Condolences to Boone, Dee-Dee and the rest of the famiy*



Judy Weathers - March 09 at 03:05 AM

MW

“ *Maurice -Marie Washington lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Maurice -Marie Washington - March 08 at 10:10 PM

HJ

“ Sonya was our Friend. She nicknamed us Ray Ray and Lil Mama. There's a story behind the names. She is missed already. Our Loss is Heaven's Gain. "To God Be The Glory!!!" Houston Jr. & Elaine Jackson & Family.



Houston & Elaine Jackson Jr. - March 08 at 07:16 PM

DS

“ Sending heartfelt condolence to the family of Sonya, what a beautiful soul. Sincerely Donna Shipman and Brewer family ❤️🙏❤️



Donna Shipman - March 08 at 06:27 PM

VJ

“ Val Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Val Johnson - March 08 at 03:57 PM

LH

“ My condolences to Shanika and the entire Lampkin family 🙏🙏🙏



Latrina Hayes - March 08 at 08:45 AM

MF

“ Michelle Frierson-Macon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Michelle Frierson-Macon - March 08 at 08:42 AM

IC

“ PRAYING FOR MY CLASSMATE FAMILY AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME, GOD GIVE THEM STRENGTH. 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏



Irma Chism - March 08 at 01:38 AM

DG

“ Demetria Graham lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Demetria Graham - March 07 at 11:10 PM

KJ

“ KimberlyFay Jackson-Woodley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



KimberlyFay Jackson-Woodley - March 07 at 09:40 PM

FH

“ *Fay Hemphill-McKinnie lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Fay Hemphill-McKinnie - March 07 at 08:00 PM



“ *Phyllis Thorne sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Phyllis Thorne - March 07 at 03:47 PM

AC

“ *Alina Cannon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Alina Cannon - March 07 at 03:35 PM

AS

“ *Alois Smith lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Alois Smith - March 07 at 12:26 PM

BJ

“ *Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Brenda Jones - March 07 at 11:54 AM

BL

“ *Bobbie Lockhart lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Bobbie Lockhart - March 07 at 08:25 AM

WB

“ *Walsezetta Bennett sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Walsezetta Bennett - March 07 at 06:35 AM

WB

Heartfelt condolences and prayers to my classmates family and friends RIH ❤️

Walsezetta Bennett - March 10 at 03:26 PM

YW

“ Yvette Wofford lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Yvette Wofford - March 06 at 06:41 PM

MM

“ Mary Mathious-Crosby sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Mary Mathious-Crosby - March 06 at 04:23 PM

BC

“ Betty Cliatt lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Betty Cliatt - March 06 at 03:27 PM

DH

“ Deidre Hunter sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin



Deidre Hunter - March 06 at 11:08 AM

DH

“ *Deidre Hunter sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Sonya Willette (Jackson) Lampkin*



Deidre Hunter - March 06 at 11:07 AM