

Order of Service

Processional	
Receiving of Family and Friends	1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.
Song	Senior Choir
Old Testament Scripture	Minister Lorraine Patterson
New Testament Scripture	Minister Aretha Taylor
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. William Harbinson
Song	Spiritual Voices
Reading of Pastor’s Scriptures	Rev. Russell Taylor
Obituary	Silently with soft music
Acknowledgements	
Reflections/Remarks	1966 Newbold Class , Red Hatters, NAACP, Friend, Family, Mayor, Church
Song	Spiritual Voices
Eulogy	Pastor David E. Roberts II
Recessional Blessing	

Committal/Internment  
Southside Cemetery  
Hickory, North Carolina



Floral Bearers  
  
Newbold Class of 1966  
Red Hatters

Pallbearers  
  
Nephews  
Cousins

Notice of Change of Address

Dear family and friends:

Hello everyone, pray all of you are well. I wanted to let you know that I have moved. On this past Friday I received a call from God, who informed me that my new house was ready and that I could move immediately. I didn’t have time to let all of you know because I was already packed and I had to go.

My new home is such a beautiful sight to behold. It is located in an exclusive estate area and it sits behind a beautiful Pearly gate, just off a serene celestial shore. Of course, the streets are paved with gold and every day is Sunday here.

There is peace, joy and happiness here: no more pain and cares of the world to bear, no strife nor discontentment. There is sweet serenity everywhere.

Let me give you my new address because I highly recommend you make plans to live here too:

Sherbia Jean Williams-Jones  
12 Gates to the City Avenue  
GODS TOWN, HEAVEN 77777

I don’t have a telephone but you can just call God. If you don’t have HIS number, He is listed in the Good Book on every page.

Love You All,

Sherbia Jean Williams-Jones



In Gratitude

In everything both great and small, we see the hand of God through various expressions of sympathy you have extended to us. It is with deepest gratitude that we thank each of you during this most difficult time.

The Family of Sherbia Jean Williams-Jones

Service of Comfort Provided by:  
**Ebony & White's Funeral Service, Inc.**  
1139 E. Pine Street | Lincolnton, NC 28093  
Phone: 704-732-1041  
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*Celebrating*  
A Life Well Lived

*Sherbia Jean Williams-Jones*

THURSDAY  
MAY 15, 2025  
2:00 PM

MORNING STAR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

REV. DAVID E. ROBERTS II, PASTOR



## Life Reflections

### Sherbia Jean Williams Jones

Sherbia Jean Williams Jones, daughter of the late Willie Rufus and Rossie Tinsley Williams, was born on June 17, 1948, in Lincoln County, North Carolina. She peacefully departed this life on Friday, May 9, 2025, at The Greens in Viewmont following an illness.

Sherbia graduated from Newbold High School in 1966. She went on to have a successful 30-year career in the insurance industry, where she was a top-performing life insurance agent, earning multiple accolades for her sales achievements. After retiring, she continued to serve her community by working with the Hickory Fire Department in Community Relations and tutoring children.

Sherbia was passionate about community service and poured her energy into numerous organizations, clubs, and outreach efforts. She fostered many children through the Catawba County Department of Social Services and also helped place children in foster care. She served on the Board of the Catawba County DSS and was an active member of the NAACP. A committed advocate for civic engagement, Sherbia worked tirelessly with the Democratic Party to register voters and transported hundreds of citizens to the polls.

She remained active with the Newbold Alumni Association and was instrumental in keeping the Hansie Solomon Reunion going. Sherbia was also a proud member of the Sassy Sistahs Red Hatters and the Ridgeview Sliders.

Her service extended further into the community as a dedicated volunteer at the Hickory Soup Kitchen. She served on the local Salvation Army Board and the Hickory City Community Relations Committee. A faithful member of Morning Star Baptist Church, she sang in two choirs, was a member of the Dynamic Adult Ministry, and served as the church's representative to the Hickory Branch of the NAACP. Sherbia remained deeply rooted in her faith throughout her life.

Sherbia lived a vibrant and joyful life. She loved to share stories of her travels and the many notable people she met—one of her proudest moments being her visit to the White House, where she received an award and met former First Lady Hillary Clinton.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her beloved husband, James Jones, nine brothers, and one sister.

Those left to cherish fond and loving memories are her loving sisters: Ruth Ann (Charles) Mitchell of Hickory, NC; Amelia Vinson of Lawrenceville, GA; Clara Barnes of Lincolnton, NC; and Nelvenia Williams, also of Lincolnton, NC; her sister-in-law, Nanelle Worthy of Atlanta, GA; two special foster sons, Wilbur Burt White of South Carolina and Derek Simpson of San Diego, CA; special nephews Tommy Williams and Terry Mitchell; special nieces Jackie Williams and Angel Williams; beloved cousins Willie Ann Huff and Bonnie (Jr.) Williams; devoted caregiver and cousin Carolyn "Neicy" Williams Bowser; and a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, foster children, and dear friends.

Sherbia's legacy of compassion, service, and joy will continue to live on through the countless lives she touched.

