

Acknowledgement

We would like to sincerely thank our church family, prayer groups, ministries, doctors, nurses, friends, and other family members for their commitment in prayer, loyalty, dependability, and genuine love throughout the illness and subsequent passing our dear Marcia. We truly believe it was God's plan to allow you the opportunity to show God's love through your actions of care and concern.

May God bless you all.

The Dowe - Shands -Williams Family

Pallbearers

IAN DOWE ~ NILES DOWE ~ JAMES PRESTON WILLIAMS
MARCELLUS SHANDS ~ RODNEY DOWE ~ WAYMOND WILLIAMSON
MATTHEW WILLIAMSON

God saw you getting tired
and a cure was not to be;
So He put his arms around you
and whispered,
"Come with Me".
With tearful eyes we watched you suffer
and saw you fade away.
Although we LOVED YOU DEARLY
we could not make you stay.
A GOLDEN HEART stopped beating
hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best!

To offer condolences to The Dowe Family,
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*In
Loving
Memory
of*



Marcia Jean Dowe

JANUARY 16, 1959 ~ MAY 13, 2022

~Service~

THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2022 ~ 12:00 PM

Church of Christ

1889 Genessee Avenue | Columbus, Ohio

The Obituary

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

On the morning of Friday, May 13, 2022, Marcia Jean Shands Dowe traveled from this life to eternity. We will miss our beloved family member, sister in Christ, and friend.

Marcia Jean Shands Dowe was born January 16, 1959, in Spartanburg, South Carolina to Marcellus Shands, Sr. and Shirley Louise Williams. She was lovingly adopted by her second mother, Joyce Shands Collie.

Marcia would say that her most treasured accomplishments were family and faith. She celebrated 37 years of marriage to Robert L. Dowe, joined March 23, 1985, and to this union two outstanding sons were born. She raised her sons to love Christ and His Church. Baptized into Christ in 1979 at the Fishinger & Kenny Church of Christ, Marcia also devoted many years of Christian service at the Genessee Avenue Church of Christ in Columbus, OH. Marcia previously participated in Youth Ministry leadership along with her husband, Robert, as well as taught Sunday school for many years. She fostered her love of gospel and song in the Voices of Charity choral ensemble.

Always an exceptional student, Marcia graduated in 1977 in the top 4 of 600 in her senior class at John F. Kennedy High School, Cleveland, Ohio. She also achieved the Bachelor of Science Degree in Microbiology from the Ohio State University in 1981. After graduation Marcia worked primarily in hospital administration at hospitals in Columbus, including her position at Grant Medical Center as a Phlebotomy Supervisor. Her most recent position was Senior Enterprise Application Analyst at the University of Toledo Medical Center where she integrated her critical scientific knowledge with information technology in the Pathology Lab. A dedicated employee and high achiever, Marcia continued to work tirelessly throughout her illness.

Marcia loved to entertain. She and Rob opened their home for many years for church get-togethers, baby showers, Mary Kay and PartyLite parties. Marcia had an endless list of interests like traveling, music concerts, and tennis, to name a few. She was an avid sports fan, especially for her Cleveland Browns and Cavaliers. She also enjoyed volunteering her service with the Special Olympics.

Marcia was preceded in death by both of her parents, brother Gerald Keith Williams and sister, Terri Roxan Williams.

Surviving to cherish the loving memory of Marcia Shands Dowe include: her husband, Robert Dowe; her two sons, Ian Kyle Dowe of Orlando, FL, and Niles Marcellus Dowe of Columbus, OH; her stepmother, Joyce (Kelsey) Collie; her twin brother, Marcellus (Shizuko) Shands of San Jose, CA; her brother James Preston (Desree) Williams of Seattle, WA; her stepsister, Regina Shands Stolzhus of Goshen, IN; her half-brother, Stephen Shands of Cleveland, OH; her special aunt, Mary Alice Shands of Cleveland, OH; many other relatives and very close friends.

Order of Service

OFFICIANT..... W.D. Smith, Justice Minister
Genessee Avenue Church of Christ

PRAYER..... Elder, Genessee Avenue Church Of Christ

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Niles Dowe

New Testament Ian Dowe

SONG SELECTION..... Latoia Burgess

READING OF OBITUARY Regina Shands-Stolzhus

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CONDOLENCES Lynn Fenderson
Audrey Howard

REMARKS (3 minute limit)

FAMILY..... Minister Estoria Killingsworth
Rodney Dowe
Joyce Collie

Sister/Friends Donna Smith

Grant Medical Center Work Family Yvonne L. Reggins

University of Toledo Work Family Nick Bratt

Genessee Ave Church of Christ Ladies Group
& Voices of Charity Fredena Williams

SONG SELECTION..... Latoia Burgess

The Eulogy

VINCE FORD, SR. MINISTER
Genessee Avenue Church of Christ

PARTING ANNOUNCEMENTS/CALL FOR PALLBEARERS.. W.D. Smith

BENEDICTION Vince Ford

RECESSIONAL Marlan Gary Funeral Directors

Interment

GLEN REST MEMORIAL ESTATES