



Sharon Kay Williamson

January 28, 1957 - January 6, 2026

Sharon Kay Williamson, 68, of Newport Tennessee, left her earthly vessel behind on January 6th 2026 to be present with the Lord after a period of declining health.

Sharon was a devoted wife, loving mama, proud nanny and great-nanny, adoring sister, warmhearted aunt, cousin, and friend. She loved her people sincerely, innocently, thoughtfully, purposefully, and unconditionally. If she ever loved you, she always loved you, and she made a point to make sure you knew it.

Sharon spent her entire professional life caring for others in roles such as waitressing and housekeeping, and after earning her degree in foodservice management, she found fulfillment in her work as a cook. She loved her job, and took great pride in feeding people quality food prepared with her heart. Sharon was a survivor, a pillar of strength and courage, overcoming more heartache and challenges than most people could possibly imagine. She used her experiences to learn and grow, and she testified, sharing her life to lead others to the Lord. She was always willing to share a song, a story, her time, and space. Sharon always had a hand to hold, a shoulder to cry on, an available hug, and she was always ready to pray with you and for you. Sharon was preceded in death by her parents Reverend Albert "Sonny" Webb and Geneva Williamson Webb, her children Racheal and Timothy Russell, her brother Michael Webb, her maternal grandparents David and Algia Williamson, and paternal grandparents George and Callie Webb.

Left to cherish her memory are her beloved husband Kevin Williamson; her children Christa Shipman (Matthew), Erin Gunter, and Rebecca Painter (Jon); her grandchildren Rachel McCracken (Jacob), Hunter Brooks, Levi Meade, Tate Gunter, Bodie Gunter, Caleb Painter, Andrew Painter, Abigail Painter, and great-granddaughter Lainey McCracken; her siblings Steve Webb (Dorothy), Shirley Raines (Reverend Jerry), and Donna Shope (Danny); Siblings in love Darlene James (George), Stanley Williamson (Lynn), Karen "Kay" Williamson (Tim), Danny Williamson; and many nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends. A Celebration of Life service will be held on January 10th, 2026 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, where Sharon was a member, receiving family and friends from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., with the service immediately following. Interment will take place at 3:00 at Hartsell Cemetery.

Previous Events

Receiving of friends

JAN 10. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
1270 Cosby Cut Off Road
Newport, TN 37821

Celebration of Life Service

JAN 10. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
1270 Cosby Cut Off Road
Newport, TN 37821

Burial

JAN 10. 3:00 PM (ET)

Hartsell Cemetery
Cosby, TN 37722

Tribute Wall



“ *Manes Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Sharon Kay Williamson*



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08 at 04:13 PM

JR

“ *June Holt Russell lit a candle in memory of Sharon Williamson*



June Holt Russell - January 12 at 11:49 AM

MW

“ *Michaela Watson purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Sharon Kay Williamson.*



Michaela Watson - January 08 at 08:08 PM

MW

“ *Michaela Watson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sharon Kay Williamson.*

Michaela Watson - January 08 at 08:08 PM



“ Sorry for your loss



Karen Yates - January 08 at 06:59 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Sharon Kay Williamson.



January 08 at 04:42 PM



“ 115 files added to the album Life Tributes



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08 at 03:50 PM

BC

“ *Brenda cook lit a candle in memory of Sharon Williamson*



Brenda cook - January 08 at 02:53 PM

JF

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Praying for the family may god wrap his loving arms around all of you. God Bless
Jerry Debbie and Jessica Hall*



Jerry Hall and family - January 08 at 02:45 PM

GW

“ *Graduated with Sharon and I always rembered her as a very gentle and loving person. The world lost a very good person. My condolences to the entire family.*

Gay Williamson - January 08 at 02:00 PM

FB

“ *From Brianna W., Madison W. and Ryen B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sharon Kay Williamson.*

From Brianna W., Madison W. and Ryen B. - January 08 at 01:48 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Sharon Kay Williamson.*



January 08 at 01:48 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sharon Kay Williamson.*



January 08 at 01:38 PM