



## Shaneka McDowell

May 1, 1974 - December 21, 2025

Shaneka McDowell, 51, of Chattanooga, passed away Sunday, December 21, 2025. She was a 1992 graduate of Lookout Valley High School and received her B.S. degree from Bethel University. She was employed as a Correctional Counselor with the State of Tennessee. Shaneka was one of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Among those who preceded Shaneka in death include her father, Lance Boswell; grandmother, Flora Jones; and aunt, Waynell Smith.

Survivors include her husband of 35 years, Maurice McDowell; sons, Theoleous McClendon, PK McDowell, and Elijah McDowell; daughters, Tay Crowder, Staci McDowell, and Diamond McDowell-Poe, all of Chattanooga; 8 grandchildren; mother, Reva Boswell of Chattanooga; sisters, Falethia (Milton "Skelator") Gaines, Yaminah McCroskey, and Keosha Boswell; uncle, Waymond Jones; aunts, Serena Bledsoe, Willie McClendon, and Johnnie (Vernard) Owens, all of Chattanooga; several nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives and friends.

Shaneka will lie-in-state on Thursday, January 15, 2026, at 9 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 3 p.m. in the Chapel with Pastor Dorothy Graves as the Eulogist.



# Previous Events

## Lie-In-State

JAN 15. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home  
3417 Wilcox Boulevard  
Chattanooga, TN 37411-1076

## Funeral Service

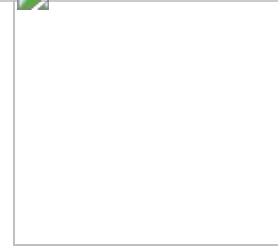
JAN 15. 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Sending my condolences and prayers to the family. I still can't believe this. You will be greatly missed.



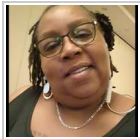
Pauletta Byrd - January 15 at 08:09 PM



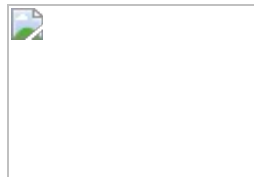
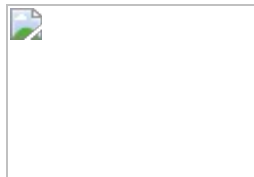
“ Emari lit a candle in memory of Shaneka McDowell



emari - January 15 at 04:00 PM



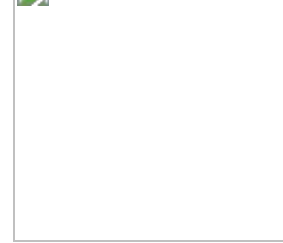
“ You always made sure us sisters got together. To remember what sisters are all about and that was family! We will continue on with what you started little sis! Rest on and you will truly be missed! Love you forever!!!



Falethia Outley - January 13 at 07:26 PM



“ *She was a sweet person. I would talk to her every time I visited my husband. Fly high my friend. Gonna miss her.* ”



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**lawanna dandy** - January 13 at 04:06 PM



“ *Neka!! Thank you for being a friend! I will keep our conversations close to my heart and the trips we took. I will miss you so much! ♡♡* ”  
*Love Toscha*

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**LaToscha Edwards** - January 13 at 01:02 PM



“ *Express Sympathy and Condolences "I Have You in My Heart" with Butterfly Wind Chime was purchased for the family of Shaneka McDowell.* ”

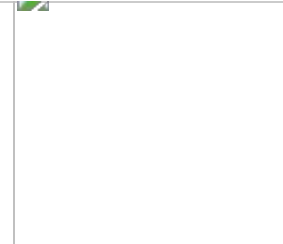


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January 12 at 11:20 PM



“ *Neka will forever be in our hearts.* ”



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**Christie Morris** - January 11 at 04:16 AM

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“ *Timmeca M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shaneka McDowell.*

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**Timmeca M.** - January 11 at 01:47 AM



*As a reminder that life is precious. And we should replenish the grove with life. Please accept this tree as a reminder as it grows for generations. May God grant you peace in your time of grief.*

*Love The Wilson Family*

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**Timmeca Wilson** - January 11 at 01:50 AM

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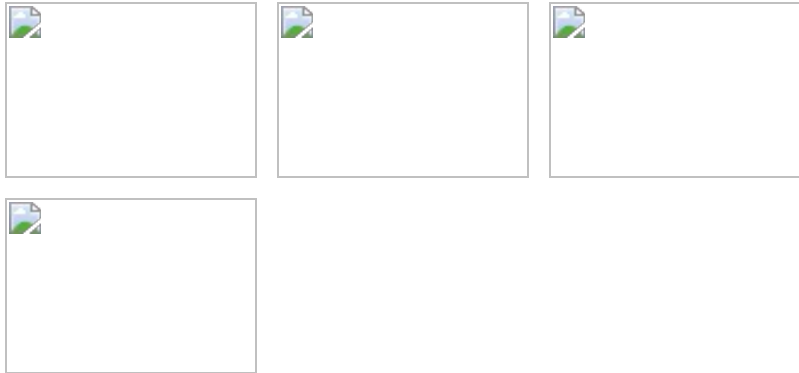
“ *UBS FAMILY purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Shaneka McDowell.*



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**UBS FAMILY** - January 10 at 05:53 PM



“ Remembering my niece.  
Always enjoyed each other's company She will be missed, till we  
see you again ❤️💙❤️



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**Waymond Jones** - January 10 at 07:12 AM



“ Crying writing this now 🥹🥹🥹🥹 auntie I'm gonna miss you like  
crazy. I love you and you get your rest queen.

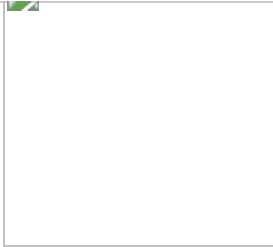


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**DANNI DA KYNG** - January 09 at 08:22 PM



“ Gwen Barrett-Harland lit a candle in memory  
of Shaneka McDowell



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**Gwen Barrett-Harland** - January 09 at 12:03 AM

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“ Candice Dunlap lit a candle in memory of Shaneka McDowell

Candice Dunlap - January 08 at 12:54 AM

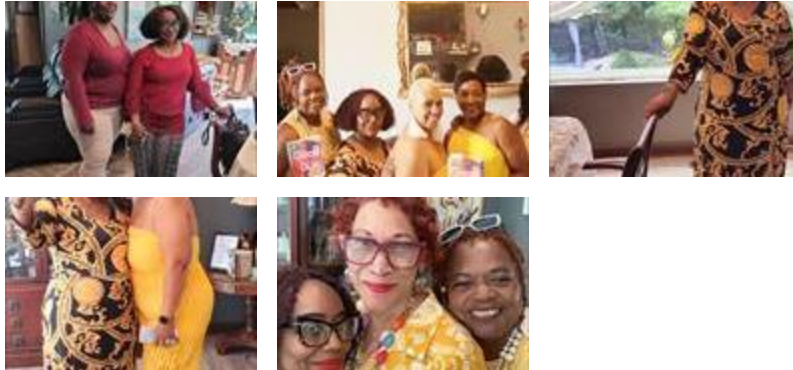


“ Hey friend I really hate we didn't get to go on our lunch date 😞 every time I watch “Martin” I think about you when we would be at work and you would say “GET THE STEPPIN” in your “Neka” voice. Laughing 🤪 It's time to get your rest!! 🙏😭

Stephanie Davis Leverett - January 04 at 05:25 PM

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“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Pamela Toney - January 04 at 05:19 AM

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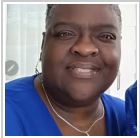
“ My heartfelt condolences and prayers to Neka's family. May she rest in sweet, perfect, Heavenly peace. Fly high Beautiful. 💔

Pamela Toney - January 04 at 05:10 AM

GS

“ Praying for the family  
Enterprise Mobility  
Chapman Road

Gloria Smith - January 02 at 08:35 PM



“ Sending much prayer and my Deepest Sympathy to the family and her friends. I met Shanika working with her at OGC! She was such an awesome trainer, leader and encourager. I'll never forget I started in a department that was very intimidating. No support until I met Shanika. In walks in this little short lady in height but, tall with wisdom, instruction and correction in love. From that day forward, she gave me the confidence to move forward. I continue in management this day. She loved her husband/ family. Rip Shenika! You will truly be missed!

Kimberly Young - January 01 at 11:49 AM