



Shirley Lee Adair

April 11, 1935 - January 4, 2025

Shirley Adair, 89, of Chattanooga, passed away Saturday, January 4, 2025, at her residence. She was born May 11, 1935, in Kelso, Tennessee to parents, Sammie Gregory and Hallie B. Carter. She attended Bridgeforth High School in Pulaski, Tennessee. Shirley was employed with Central Soya for over 20 years. She became a caregiver for the elderly, and enjoyed babysitting. Shirley was always in good spirits and was loved by everyone. She was a dedicated and faithful member of Avondale Church of Christ. She loved the Lord, music, and dancing. Shirley could still do a backbend at 80 years old! She was preceded in death by her parents, Sammie Gregory and Hallie B. Carter; husband, Charles Adair; brothers, Sammie Gregory, Joe Ed (Lucille) Gregory; sisters, Hilda (Luke) Conley, and Melva (Leroy) Wells. Survivors her sisters, Terry Waggoner and Jeraldean Harper, both of Fayetteville, TN; brothers, Jerry (Grace Sue) Gregory, of Fayetteville, TN, Carter (Marilyn) Gregory, of Clarkston, GA, and Jerome (Cynthia) Gregory of Stone Mountain GA; a very devoted cousin, Sheila Greene; a host of nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives; special friend, Maxie Benton and other friends. Shirley will lie-in-state on Friday, January 17, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at Avondale Church of Christ. Funeral service will follow at 12 noon at the church with Brother Eric Garner as the Eulogist. Burial in Chattanooga National Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Chattanooga National Cemetery

1200 Bailey Ave
Chattanooga, TN 37404

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

JAN 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Avondale Church of Christ
1107 Dodson Avenue
Chattanooga, TN 37406

Service

JAN 17. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *She never acknowledged her brothers other children.*

Fallan Lee - January 17, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ *No comment*

Fallan Lee - January 17, 2025 at 12:41 PM

MB

“ *I LOVE Mrs. Shirley and I am happy to celebrate her life today! She came to our Senior's programs at The Salvation Army! I loved her smile and warm heart and love for Jesus! She will be missed by all of the ladies in our program and by me! We are praying and have been praying for all family and freinds!*



Maj. Sarah Birks - January 17, 2025 at 10:43 AM

VJ

Miss you very much.

Virginia Jones - January 24, 2025 at 09:00 PM

TW

“ Sis Shirley, My Mother in Christ, Sis Shirley was caring Christian person that believe in trying to do her Christian duty by encourage others. My daughter and I was one of those who benefit and receive those blessings. We thank the good Lord above who allowed her to come into our space and do the will of the Father, especially to my two daughters. For which I'm so grateful. We dearly love her so much and she will be missed. My condolences and encouragement to the family of Shirley Adair.

Tony,Sharee, and Latoya Watkins - January 16, 2025 at 08:18 PM

MH

“ Shirley was a caring next door neighbor for over 40 years. We have many memories that will last us a lifetime. She became family to us. We love her! The Hayes family. Marsha, James, Carla, Evette

Marsha Hayes - January 16, 2025 at 07:20 PM

JH

“ James & Marsha Hayes lit a candle in memory of Shirley Lee Adair



James & Marsha Hayes - January 16, 2025 at 10:32 AM

S

“ Sandra Fairbanks lit a candle in memory of Shirley Lee Adair



Sandra Fairbanks - January 15, 2025 at 04:56 PM

HH

“ *Hilda R. Harris-Hardaway lit a candle in memory of Shirley Lee Adair*



Hilda R. Harris-Hardaway - January 15, 2025 at 12:53 AM

JS

“ *Janice Sledge lit a candle in memory of Shirley Lee Adair*



Janice Sledge - January 14, 2025 at 09:36 AM

VH

“ *“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” – Matthew 5:4*



We offer our heartfelt condolences in the unexpected loss of Ms. Adair. During this difficult time of profound grief, you are not alone. GOD loves you and can give you peace; And strengthen you as you endure this challenging time. May the cherished moments you shared with her bring you peace, hope, comfort and healing through our LORD's infinite LOVE. – Vincent & Dee Hatten

Vincent Hatten - January 13, 2025 at 03:45 PM

DB

“ *Dirria Bell lit a candle in memory of Shirley Lee Adair*



Dirria Bell - January 09, 2025 at 02:57 PM

CM

“ *Christine Murphy*



Christine Murphy - January 09, 2025 at 08:31 AM

DT

“ *A beautiful and sweet lady who I will miss seeing and talking to on Sundays. She will always be loved and missed by her Avondale Church of Christ family. Condolences to her Family.*
Debbie Tucker

Debbie (Shibley) Tucker - January 07, 2025 at 03:54 PM

AL

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. A sweet lady and will truly be missed. Christian sister-in-law Christ Alyce Carlisle*



Alyce - January 07, 2025 at 07:47 AM

MS

“ *My prayers and condolences to the Family.*



Mary Spivey - January 07, 2025 at 06:27 AM

JB

“ *Prayers for the Family for comfort & strength while you Celebrate the passing of Mama Shirley. I was devastated when I heard the news She had passed. Mama Shirley will truly be missed in my life & the Avondale Church of Christ Church Family.. So Mama Shirley take your rest until we meet again..* ❤️



Joe & Maxie Benton - January 05, 2025 at 09:10 PM