



Mrs. Karla Jenise (Turner) Williams

August 22, 1963 - August 31, 2017

Mrs. Karla Jenise (Turner) Williams, 54, of Peoria, IL passed away at 12:48 am on Thursday, August 31, 2017 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center.

Karla was born on August 22, 1963 in Peoria, IL to Leslie and Geraldine (Edmonds) Turner.

Karla accepted Christ at an early age at Zion Baptist Church. She was educated in District 150 schools, graduating from Peoria Central High School. Karla earned Associates Degrees in General and Early Childhood Education from Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL. She married the love of her life, Patrick N. Williams, on October 17, 1992.

Youth advocacy was Karla's passion in life. She was a youth counselor for the Children's Home, focusing on teen pregnancies. She also wrote grants to get financial aid for the Children's Home. Karla volunteered as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for children. She was slated to become a Youth Ministry Leader at Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ, where she attended church.

Karla leaves to cherish her most precious memories her loving and devoted husband of 25 years, Patrick N. Williams of Peoria; her devoted father, Leslie "Frank" Turner of Peoria; three brothers, Keith (Vicki) Turner, Elder Kelvin (Lisa) Turner both of Peoria and Kenneth (Financée, Lynn Rogers) Turner of Galesburg, IL; two sister-in-laws, Darlene Williams and Bernadette Williams; brother-in-law, Pastor Naymond (Maxine) Williams, Jr. all of Peoria; nieces and nephews who adored Karla, Tamerla "Tammy" of Wilmington, CA; Kendra

of Taylorville, IL; Kevin of East Moline, IL; Erika of Richmond, VA; De'Marcus, Ste'Von, David and Lincoln all of Peoria; great nephews, Brycen of Danville, IL; Jaylan and Julian of Peoria; and her loving mother-in-law, Mrs. Delores Williams and other family and friends who loved her dearly. She is preceded in death by her mother, Geraldine Turner.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Friday, September 8, 2017 at Zion Baptist Church with a visitation beginning at 10 am. Pastor Samuel Duren will officiate. Karla will be laid to rest at Parkview Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Parkview Cemetery

2001 N University St
Peoria, IL 61604
(309) 688-0733

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Baptist Church
323 W.Martin Luther King Drive
Peoria, IL 61605

Funeral Service

SEP 8. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Zion Baptist Church
323 W.Martin Luther King Drive
Peoria, IL 61605

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Karla Jenise (Turner) Williams*



Simons Mortuary - September 07, 2017 at 04:25 PM

CL

Rest in peace childhood friend. We rode the city bus countless times together. You were always a sweet heart.

Christine Baker Luebbers - September 08, 2017 at 05:27 PM



“ *Mrs. Karla Jenise (Turner) Williams*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Karla Jenise (Turner) Williams*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

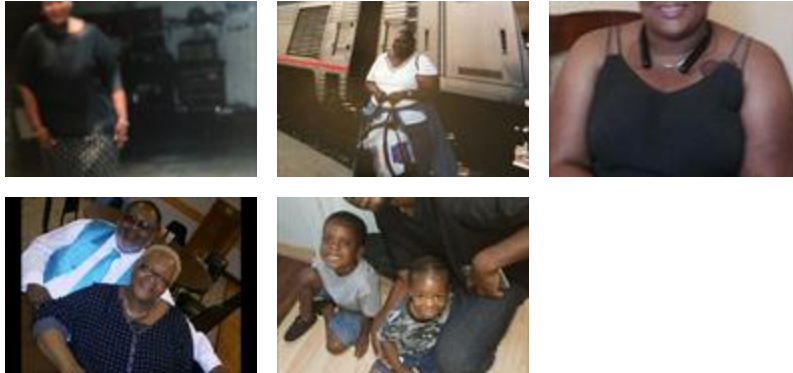


“ *My heart ❤️ goes out to the Turner-Williams Families in the loss of Karla. She received lots of love and shared it with everyone.*

Gloria Carter - September 07, 2017 at 06:51 PM

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Simons - September 07, 2017 at 04:39 PM

EB

“ Karla was one of the most giving & joyous people I've had the pleasure of knowing! She always had a smile, even when working with the most difficult kids. She was so much fun to work with and such a blessing to everyone she met! She will be greatly missed!!!



Emily Benson - September 07, 2017 at 03:11 PM

MS

“ Dear Turner Family,

It has been some time since we have been in touch. Karla will always remain one of my best childhood friends. You embraced me with love and she and I shared some very loving memories many years ago. It is with sadness that I found out about her passing today. She was and will always be remembered for the loving and kind person she was. Thank you for sharing her these many years. You are in my prayers. Michele Lisa Brown-Shippy.

Michele Lisa Brown Shippy - September 05, 2017 at 07:04 PM

GH

“ *Gina Hicks-Howard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Karla Jenise (Turner) Williams*

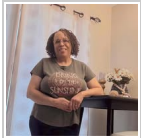


Gina Hicks-Howard - September 05, 2017 at 11:11 AM

YL

“ *To the Turner Williams family, may God cover you in your time of briefement. I am saddened by the loss of my long time friend. God has given her the wings she so much deserve. She will be missed.*

Yvette Lamon-Ferguson - September 04, 2017 at 02:31 PM



“ *My condolences to the Turner/Williams families. Karla was a childhood friend years ago when I lived in Peoria and attended Zion Baptist Church. Praying you find peace and comfort in Christ.*

Tara Taylor - September 03, 2017 at 04:04 PM

DG

“ *Dianna Gulley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Karla Jenise (Turner) Williams*



dianna gulley - September 03, 2017 at 01:21 AM

DG

I'm so sorry for your loss, may God give you peace through this hard time

dianna gulley - September 03, 2017 at 01:23 AM

MC

“ To the Turner and Williams Families,

*Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Pastor Robert and Melanie Caruth*

melanie caruth - September 02, 2017 at 11:59 PM

TB

“ To the William/Turner Families,

I am so sorry for your loss. My families prayers are with yours. Karla was such a beautiful, positive spirit, who was always so positive, and pushed herself and others to be the best they could be. May she rest in peace.

Towanda Brown - September 02, 2017 at 06:13 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. Praying that God's love will help you in this difficult time



Evelyn Tate-Clayton - September 01, 2017 at 10:29 PM



“ Sorry for your loss my prayers go out for family and friends rip in Jesus name have a blessed night in Jesus name amen



Dorotha Williams - August 31, 2017 at 08:44 PM

CH

“ Sending my condolences to the Williams/Turner family. It sadden my heart to hear of her transitioning from this life to everlasting. She was such a loving young lady with a beautiful spirit. She always greeted me with a smile whenever I would see her in passing. Praying for each of you that God give you strength to endure during this time of bereavement.

Carmen Hines - August 31, 2017 at 05:26 PM

CP

I am sadden to hear of Karla passing, I worked with Karla at Good Beginnings CHAIL she was such a good person. My condolences to the family. Christine Jenkins Putnam

Christine Jenkins Putnam - September 07, 2017 at 09:09 AM