



## Mrs. Naomi Shird-Tucker

May 15, 1940 - July 16, 2023

Mrs. Naomi Shird-Tucker, 83, transitioned to her heavenly home at 7:30 am on Sunday, July 16, 2023 at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home.

Mother Naomi affectionally known as “Nay” was born on May 15, 1940 in Pulaski, IL to Frank and Mary (Lilly) Shird. She was married to her beloved, Bobbie “Sonny” Tucker, in Peoria, IL on June 5, 1999.

Mother Naomi retired from Methodist Medical Center as a Licensed Practical Nurse after 30 years of service. She worked at Big John’s BBQ as a cook and waitress.

Mother Naomi was a long time member of Morning Star M.B. Church where she served with the Women’s Weekend Workshop, Sunday Service and taught in the NMS Mission Ministry Sick and Shut-In Service. She helped with several other church ministries including: the All Saints Eve, President Nurse’s Ministry, and the Mother’s Ministry. Mother Naomi taught Vacation Bible School, Sunday School and was a Junior Church School Superintendent. She was Past President of the Nurse’s Guild, the Central District, the National Baptist Convention Nurse’s Guild and represented NMS Church many times by attending the State and National Conventions and Congress. She was a constant support to the Youth Department with her time and treasures. Mother Naomi was a great caregiver and grandmother and was everybody’s mom, grandma or auntie.

Mother Naomi leaves to cherish her most precious memories, two sons, Adrian "David" (Tiffany) Shird of Powder Springs, GA and Jyair Shird-Tucker of Peoria, IL; four daughters, Donna Shird, Darlene (Jimmy) Shird-Davis, Bernita "Kay" Shird and Rosie "Netta" (David) Shird-Chaplin all of Peoria, IL; five sisters, Franki Harris, Martha Gibson, Connie (Eddie) Lovett all of Peoria, IL, Madora (Clement) Green of Jacksonville, NC and Shirley (Dyre) Moland of Stone Mountain, GA; nineteen grandchildren, thirty-five great grandchildren, four great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends who loved her. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, one grandson, Gregory Watkins and great-great granddaughter, Jazelle Shird.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, July 29, 2023 at New Morning Star M.B. Church, with a one-hour visitation prior beginning at 10:00 am. Pastor Cleveland Thomas will officiate.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](http://SimonsMortuary.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church  
413 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61605

## Funeral Service

JUL 29. 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM (CT)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church  
413 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61605

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Naomi Shird-Tucker*



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**Simons Mortuary** - July 31, 2023 at 01:27 PM



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**Simons Mortuary** - July 26, 2023 at 05:49 PM



*Missing you*

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**Darlene Shird** - July 28, 2023 at 02:46 PM

DL

*Rest in peace Nay*

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**Delores Lovett** - July 29, 2023 at 12:15 PM

MA

*Gone 2 soon auntie miss u Dearly! she was so sweet and fun didn't mind u doing what every it is u do.love u auntie rest easy no more pain.its not going 2 be da same coming 2 ur house but we will have da good time &we will smile and say dat auntie ❤️❤️❤️*

**Maria Armstead** - July 29, 2023 at 02:22 PM

MS

“ *You Were A Wonder Full Women, Michael Smith*

**Micheal Smith** - August 07, 2023 at 10:38 PM

AL

“ *You will truly be missed love you*

**Annette Lucy** - August 02, 2023 at 03:20 AM

RD

“ *Regina Davis lit a candle in memory of Naomi Shird-Tucker*



**Regina Davis** - July 29, 2023 at 11:50 AM

JB

“ *Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Naomi Shird-Tucker*



**Joanie Brown** - July 28, 2023 at 08:52 PM

GT

“ Gladys Tracey lit a candle in memory of Naomi Shird-Tucker



Gladys Tracey - July 28, 2023 at 07:12 PM

MC

“ My friend and fellow Saint of God!! What an impact you made in my life. A stalwart to the cause of Christ at all cost. Plain spoken yet unashamedly bold when she needed to be. Unique in so many ways that you had to peel back the layers to find out what made her tick. The answer: GOD! She became one of my greatest confidants in life. I spent many hours at her 🏠 home as she did mine. She loved to hear me open the Word of God and lead her in many Bible study lessons we shared together over many years. She loved to laugh at my silly jokes and encouraged me to stop smoking cigarettes which I did over 3 years ago. I gave her the utmost respect which she returned in kind. I was with her a week before she transitioned home to be with God. I said my goodbyes then as I prayed with her and told her: I will see you again in our Fathers Kingdom. Rest now from your labor and enter into the joy of the Triune God. Now you are truly free indeed. 🙏

Minister Donald Cummings - July 27, 2023 at 11:58 PM

MR

“ Mattie Risby lit a candle in memory of Naomi Shird-Tucker



Mattie Risby - July 27, 2023 at 11:47 AM

VG

“ *Vicky Gagliardi lit a candle in memory of Naomi Shird-Tucker*



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**Vicky Gagliardi** - July 25, 2023 at 08:12 PM

VG

“ *RIH*

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**Vicky Gagliardi** - July 25, 2023 at 08:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Naomi Shird-Tucker.*



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July 25, 2023 at 10:39 AM

MC

“What a unique pearl inside of a clam she was. She and I both were members of New Morning Star Church. It was there that I found her personality to be quite unique. times unfriendly. A rough exterior wrapped in a heart ❤️ of gold. That’s what drew me to her like a magnet. She and I became friends and I spent many hours at her home teaching and reading with her the Word of God. She was a great student of the Word. I served as she served in the Church. Me as a Minister of the Gospel and she as the head of the Nurses Board and many other auxiliary offices in the Church. I visited with her at the nursing home right before she was placed in hospice care. I said my goodbyes there and prayed with her as I looked into her eyes and told her “ I love you.” God richly bless her family as they mourn the loss of the glue that held them all together. Minister Don Cummings.

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**Minister Donald Cummings** - July 21, 2023 at 11:12 AM

MR

“ MT Carmel Ministry send our condolences to the family. Mrs. Shird-Tucker made sure the children in school (Greely Alternative) had enough to eat. Thanks for taking care of business and lives you touched. God Bless Pastor Brenda & Maurice Russell



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**Maurice Russell** - July 20, 2023 at 02:58 PM

DS

“ Such a wonderful person she will forever be missed so grateful that the Lord allowed our lives to connect.

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**Denise Smith** - July 20, 2023 at 02:46 PM

RB

“ *Deepest condolences and prayers and strength peace and comfort to the immediate family and friends and loved ones Donna , Darlene , and my Bestie Netta AKA Netta Netta too me Minister Roslyn Bond ( Harris - Moore ) and The Potter's House of Peoria IL. Pastor Clara Underwood - For man and Congregation*



Roslyn Bond - July 19, 2023 at 09:14 PM

MC

“ *My friend for such a brief time on earth. I was privileged to know you and look forward to seeing you again in our father's Kingdom👑*

Minister Donald Cimmings - July 19, 2023 at 07:54 PM

YO

“ *Youlanda lit a candle in memory of Naomi Shird-Tucker*



Youlanda - July 19, 2023 at 04:56 PM

OE

*Auntie I'm glad I was able to hug your neck and spend time with you and to see your beautiful and warm smile. You always made me laugh. The memories will forever remain. ❤️ love Sina and Dee Erinle*

Olufunso adesina Erinle - July 21, 2023 at 03:58 PM

MY

*My deepest sympathy is extended to the family in the homegoing of our loved one.*

*I will always have fond memories of Sister Naomi Shird-Tucker through our fellowship at New Morning Star Baptist Church.*

*May your numerous memories and faith be sources of strength as you face the days ahead. Please know that you are in the thoughts of many.*

*Michael Young  
Washington, D.C.*

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**Michael Young** - July 25, 2023 at 04:36 AM