



## Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant

March 14, 1958 - October 14, 2015

Mr. Sheldon "Shel" Ray Grant, 57, of Peoria, IL passed away at 5:32 AM on Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria, IL. Shel was born on March 14, 1958 in Peoria, IL to Odies and Jannie (Lawrence) Grant.

Shel leaves to cherish his most precious memory, his father, Odies Grant of East Peoria; his three brothers, Don L. of Dixon, IL; Vernon and Kevin both of Peoria; five sisters, Debra (Thomas) Grant-Wilson of Louisville, KY, Gail Grant, Gay (Michael) Grant-McLennan, Cindy Grant and Eugenia Grant all of Peoria; children he helped raise, Jarius Grant, Jateal Grant, Alexa Smith, Lisa Smith all of Peoria; and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his mother and nephew, Ocasio Grant.

Shel graduated from Manual High School and also graduated from Wilberforce University with a Bachelors degree in accounting.

Shel retired from the City of Peoria in 2011 after 23 years of service as a Code Enforcement Inspector. He liked watching movies, especially with Marvel Characters, and listening to music. Shel was a faithful Chicago Bulls, Chicago Bears and San Antonio Spurs fan. He was a wonderful brother, who loved family events and being with his family and friends. He was our own Super Hero and a Gentle Giant! Shel was a member of Heaven's View Christian Fellowship Church where he was a deacon and choir member.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM, Wednesday, October 21, 2015 with a visitation beginning at 10 AM. Pastor Tony Pierce, will officiate.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Heaven's View Christian Fellowship Church  
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heavensview.cfc@gmail.com  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant*



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**Simons Mortuary** - October 20, 2015 at 03:00 PM

AF

*To Sheldon Grant. U are very much missed. U are now with the Lord and no longer in pain.  
I'm so sorry I knew nothing. I send my condolences to the Grant family.  
He is very much missed. I found out a couple of weeks ago*

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**Arbedale Renee Pryor A good friend from** - November 02, 2021 at 04:26 AM

DS

“ *Happy Heavenly Birthday Sheldon. We love and miss you 🎂🎉❤️*

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**DEBRINA SMITH** - March 14 at 09:45 AM

LI

“ Hey Sheldon ☐  
Just wanted to give you an update... I'm working on my second degree, Sonography. I graduate next May after I pass these last two boards. It breaks my heart you aren't here to see it, but I feel you with me every step of the way. Just stay close and help me make it across that finish line. I love you and miss you more than words or tears could ever explain. I pray life is treating you well up there ☐☐



Lisa - October 12, 2025 at 01:17 AM

DS

“ Happy Heavenly Birthday 🎂🎉❤️  
We love and miss you 🥺

DEBRINA SMITH - March 14, 2025 at 06:31 AM

DS

“ Love and miss you ❤️  
You are truly missed 🥺  
Lexi is married now with a daughter. I know you are still watching over the Smith Crew 🤔  
I bet you're having a good time w your family. Give my family a hug for me.

DEBRINA SMITH - October 15, 2024 at 12:12 AM

DS

“ Happy Father's Day !! We love you & miss you 🥺

DEBRINA SMITH - June 18, 2023 at 10:49 PM

DS

“ Happy 65th Heavenly Birthday to one of the best men I’ve ever known. 🎂🎉❤️  
I thank God for blessing us w you...missing you. We will always love you 🙏

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**DEBRINA SMITH** - March 14, 2023 at 08:05 PM



“ Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ I miss you Sheldon. Not a day goes by I don't. I wish I could call you and ask for some advice or just laugh. I miss hearing your voice the most, that truly is the hardest part. I can't wait to see you again one day. I wish I could just give you one more hug.  
Xoxo,  
Lisa



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**Lisa Smith** - February 24, 2022 at 11:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant.*



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October 20, 2015 at 04:20 PM



“ *Sheila Sturdivant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant*



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**Sheila Sturdivant** - October 20, 2015 at 09:33 AM



“ *Sheldon was a kind person whose smile warmed one's heart. We will miss him dearly.*

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**Eugene and Tracy Gathers** - October 20, 2015 at 07:34 AM



“ *Rev Dennis Bailey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant*



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**Rev Dennis Bailey** - October 19, 2015 at 04:12 PM

SC

“ *What an honor it was to serve with Sheldon as a fellow Code Enforcement Inspector for the City of Peoria and as Brothers and Sisters in the Labor Movement and most of all as a wonderful Man of God. You will be greatly missed. Sherry Carter-Allen*



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**Sherry Carter-Allen** - October 19, 2015 at 02:15 PM

CA

“ *Cathy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant*



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**Cathy** - October 19, 2015 at 08:19 AM

SB

“ *Sharon K. Buckner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant*



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**Sharon K. Buckner** - October 18, 2015 at 11:07 PM

JC

“ *A truly great man. You will be surely missed...*

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**James & Sandra Conyers** - October 18, 2015 at 05:47 PM

RP

“ Debra im so sorry 4 ya'll loss..strong and im praying 4 the Grant family..love you friend



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**Rena & Elgin Parker** - October 18, 2015 at 01:58 AM

TW

“ I will dearly miss you. I have always looked forward to seeing you when I visited Peoria. I'm sorry that you had to leave here so soon, but it wasn't my call. Thanks for being one of the best brothers-in-law I could have and thanks for our conversations. Man, I'm really going to miss you. You are a really good dude.



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**Thomas Wilson** - October 17, 2015 at 03:26 PM

TW

“ Thomas Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant



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**Thomas Wilson** - October 17, 2015 at 03:16 PM

MC

Genia and the Grant Family. U R in my heart and my Prayers. I'm so sorry for your loss. Gods Bless You & I Love U so much. Marvan, James & the Boys.

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**Marvan Cornish** - October 20, 2015 at 09:23 PM

DT

“ Dorothy L. Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sheldon Ray Grant



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**Dorothy I. Taylor** - October 17, 2015 at 11:08 AM

DS

“ I'm so very grateful and thankful for God allowing you to be a part of our lives. We will always love you and will see you again one day !!!!  
Your love, kindness, selflessness and so much more will forever be etched in my heart !!!



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**Debrina Smith** - October 16, 2015 at 10:33 PM

DS

*Missing you....love you always !!!*

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**Debrina Smith** - October 21, 2015 at 11:28 PM