



## Mrs. Wendy Lee Sledge-Cooper

August 9, 1967 - April 30, 2025

Mrs. Wendy Lee Sledge-Cooper, 57, transitioned to her heavenly home at 7:20 pm on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at her home.

Wendy was born in Peoria, IL to proud parents Jerry Lee and Delores Ann (Williams) Sledge. She attended District 150 Schools. She worked as a Registered Service Technician for years in the healthcare system. She married the love of her life, Cornelius Deshone Cooper, on June 26, 2006 in Peoria, IL.

Wendy was well loved and respected in the Peoria community especially at her Ward Chapel A.M.E. Church. She was stunningly beautiful and a real joy to be around. She loved the summertime and you could see the brightness of the summertime in her smile. Wendy was spiritual and loved the Lord. Over the years, she had been in the church ministry, YPD leader, a devoted usher and choir member at Ward Chapel. Wendy dearly loved her family and spending time with them. She also enjoyed swimming.

Wendy leaves cherish her most precious memory her loving and devoted husband, Cornelius Cooper; her loving mother, Delores Sledge; her loving children Terry (Brittany) Burnside, Jr., Sparkle Sledge-Smith, Chance Sledge-Smith and her bonus daughter, Seberrie Cooper all of Peoria, IL; siblings, Harry (Jeanette) Proctor, Derek (Tammy) Proctor, Robin Sledge and Candace

(Kelvin) Broadway all of Peoria, IL; eight grandchildren, Tristyn, Skylar, Malonii, Zy'Aira, Major, Terri, Jersey, True and Deshone; two favorite brothers-in-law, Charles Banks of Peoria, IL and Quincy Cooper of Bloomington, MN; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and her Ward Chapel Church family. She is preceded in death by her father; two brothers, Freddy Williams and Keith Jones; and one sister, Portia Proctor.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, May 10, 2025 at Ward Chapel A.M.E. Church with a visitation one-hour prior beginning at 10 am. Pastor Cyrus Burns will officiate.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Ward Chapel A.M.E. Church  
511 N Richard Allen Dr.,  
Peoria, IL 61605  
<http://www.wardchapelame.com/>

## Celebration of Life

MAY 10. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Ward Chapel A.M.E. Church  
511 N Richard Allen Dr.,  
Peoria, IL 61605  
<http://www.wardchapelame.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Wendy Lee Sledge-Cooper*



Simons Mortuary - May 06, 2025 at 07:37 AM

DB

*Rest Well You Will Be Truly Miss*

Deborah Broadway - May 06, 2025 at 02:04 PM

DH

*My condolences and prayers to the family. Wendy was very sweet and beautiful person. My childhood classmate. May she rest in peace 🙏*



Dorothy Howard - May 10, 2025 at 04:54 PM

TG

“ *Tina Graham lit a candle in memory of Wendy Sledge-Cooper*



Tina Graham - May 12, 2025 at 11:21 AM

TG

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Tina Graham - May 10, 2025 at 06:46 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Wendy Lee Sledge-Cooper.

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May 09, 2025 at 02:53 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Wendy Lee Sledge-Cooper.



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May 09, 2025 at 02:53 PM

KB

“ Wendy, you will truly be missed. No one knows but us the love that we shared. We all needed you but God needed you most !! No more suffering!

You ran a good race - & you definitely fought a great fight-my sister-friend! I can hear God saying “Well Done” my good & faithful servant-Well Done!

I love you family & praying for you all!!

Kimberly Brown

Briana Cleary

A'nrique Williams

Edmond, Oklahoma



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Kimberly Brown - May 06, 2025 at 11:47 PM

JS

“ Wendy,  
I remember you from back in the day.  
You were a talented little diva with something funny to say.

You were never mean to anyone, and you greeted everyone with a smile as radiant as the sun.

Your heart was pure, and your spirit was right. To be in your presence was a pure delight.

You never failed to light up a room with a personality so bright. It is that sparkle that gleamed into the twilight.

Now, God has called an angel home and in heaven. You sleep tonight.

Rest in heavenly peace, dear Friend. Go sing with the angels in flight.



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Joy Smith - May 06, 2025 at 10:05 PM

KA

“ Karen Ashby sent a virtual gift in memory of Wendy Sledge-Cooper



Karen Ashby - May 06, 2025 at 03:39 PM

JB

“ God Bless the family sorry for your loss my condolences Jinetta snd Adrean 🙏



Jinetta Brown - May 05, 2025 at 03:47 PM

MC

“ Margaret Chandler-Bryson lit a candle in memory of Wendy Sledge-Cooper



Margaret Chandler-Bryson - May 05, 2025 at 11:30 AM

AL

“ Annette Lucy lit a candle in memory of Wendy Sledge-Cooper



Annette Lucy - May 04, 2025 at 10:54 AM

DB

“ *Dorothea Banks-Burse lit a candle in memory of Wendy Sledge-Cooper*



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**Dorothea Banks-Burse** - May 03, 2025 at 06:41 AM