



Ms. Willie Bell (Washington) Mitchell

August 15, 1945 - September 24, 2020

Ms. Willie Bell Mitchell, 75, of Peoria, IL passed away at 2:31 pm on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center.

Willie Bell, affectionally known as “Bell” was born on August 15, 1945 in Scott, MS to Abraham and Elnora (Hobbs) Washington.

Willie Bell was a homemaker. She was an excellent cook, especially Southern food during the holidays. Willie Bell liked to fish, play Bingo and cards and throwing darts.

Willie Bell leaves to cherish her most precious memories, one son, Tonnie Mitchell; two daughters, Patricia Hobby and Debra Mitchell all of Peoria, IL; eight siblings, Dorothy Jean (Jerome) Smith of Peoria, IL, Clara Jean (Kenneth) Cooley and Beatrice (Lawrence) Brown both of Greenville, MS, Cleola Jones of Alexandria, LA, Rosetta Collins of Chicago, IL, Roosevelt Johnson of Greenville, MS, Purcell (Wanda) Jones of Parkton, NC and Jerome Washington of Jacksonville, NC; seven grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents; one son, Roosevelt Mitchell; 15 siblings, Willie Washington, Abraham Washington, Guy Washington, David Washington, Samuel Washington, Annie Moore, Elizabeth Young, Ellen Washington, Fannie Hobbs, Elmese Taylor, Mary Hall, Lula Bell Washington, Lucille Washington, Olivia Gaithers and Johnnie Hoskins.

A private memorial service will be held at 1 pm on Saturday, October 17, 2020 at Simons Mortuary with a visitation beginning at 12:30 pm. Minister Willie

Parker of Greater City of Refuge Worship Cathedral will bring words of comfort to the family.

Simons Mortuary is entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](https://www.SimonsMortuary.com).

The Memorial service will be live-streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly at the time of the service.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing and attendance limits will be observed. The chapel can socially distance and seat a limit of 35 or less people. All others will be able to flow through and view prior to beginning the Celebration of Life Ceremony.

As the States begin re-opening in response to the Global Coronavirus Pandemic, some people are returning to their previous normal living standards. Unfortunately, we are now in our new normal as unreal and sometimes uncomfortable as the socially distancing and continuous use of protective masks may feel.

*In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them). Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

*It is our responsibility as Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Willie Bell (Washington) Mitchell*



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Simons Mortuary - October 21, 2020 at 11:24 AM



“ God bless you Aunt Willie Bell! God bless the family! 🌹🌹❤️❤️

Valerie Dawson - October 17, 2020 at 03:00 PM



“ Hi Family, I pray that you will find comfort during your bereavement. I know it's not easy to loose someone you love so dearly, I pray that you be strengthened and remember to hold on to God's unchanging hand, Love always Jennie

Jeanette Priest - October 17, 2020 at 08:34 AM



“ Angela lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Bell (Washington) Mitchell



Angela - October 11, 2020 at 10:24 AM



“ Grannie it’s hard so hard without you grannie u was the only one to keep this family in line no one will ever take your place grannie u was my best friend as well I’m so hurt that I can’t call u when I need u or jus to talk to or laugh u all ways have me laughing always I have so many Memories Of u since I was little even all the whooping u gave me 🤔🤔😭 grannie I love u and miss u so much just know one thing u will not never be forgotten grannie I love ❤️ u and fly high

Mario Wise - October 09, 2020 at 10:56 PM



“ Debra Mitchell your baby girl mom I will always , always be missing you. God had other plans for you, so mom fly high. I love you

Debra Mitchell - October 08, 2020 at 07:53 PM



Debra, Patricia and family I'm so very sorry to hear of your loss. Trust God and his will for your lives.

Angela - October 11, 2020 at 10:32 AM



“ This Days Came Two Soon You Been Gone Two Weeks An Been On My Mind Heavy You’ve Raised Me To Be The Hardworking Dedicated Family Man I Am Today Ill Always Make You Proud I Love You Until We Meet Again

Antonio Da'Markus Mitchell - October 07, 2020 at 11:30 AM



“ I will love and miss you forever granny, life aint the same down here without you, your wings were ready but my heart was not & I will cherish every memory.

Latisha Wise - October 06, 2020 at 07:02 PM

BF

“ *Bertha Ferguson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Bell (Washington) Mitchell*



Bertha Ferguson - October 06, 2020 at 01:16 PM

RC

Rest in peace big sister love you always.

Rosetta Collins - October 14, 2020 at 10:54 PM

TM

“ *My mother, my best friend, my joy and comfort, the pain that will not go away, I am my mother baby boy, not having her here in the flesh tears me up, but in spirit and in my heart she will never leave me alone. Rest in peace my angel.*

Tonnie Mitchell - October 05, 2020 at 08:23 PM

BI

“ *My sincere condolences to the Family of Ms Willie Bell Mitchell. May God be with you all during your time of sorrow. I know "Bell" will truly be missed. R.I.P.* 🕊️



Brenda J Idreez - October 01, 2020 at 01:23 PM

RJ

“ Rosie Jones, I've known Willie Bell (Bell) basically all my life, I've learned so many things from her. I learned how to cook by watching her, she's the closest as a sister that you can get without being blood especially since I don't have a sister. I'm going to miss her so much. Love you Ole Lady, until we meet again.

Rosie Jones - October 01, 2020 at 12:21 PM

DM

“ Condolences to the Family.Beautiful Lady,
Rest in Peace
Darlene Mosi



Darlene Mosi - September 30, 2020 at 05:01 PM

AL

“ Annette Lucy sent a virtual gift in memory of
Ms. Willie Bell (Washington) Mitchell



Annette Lucy - September 30, 2020 at 11:25 AM

CC

“ Clara Jean Washington Cooley, this beautiful lady is my sister and we've had many wonderful and joyful times together and I love her dearly and she will continue to hold a very special place in my heart, gone but never forgotten, love you sis.

Clara Cooley - September 29, 2020 at 05:15 PM

JN

“ I am Jessica Jones Ms Mitchell is my aunt I been knowing this beautiful soul my entire life this hurt us so bad but I know it took a role over my momma I love u tt great peacefully

Jessica Jones I'm her neice - September 28, 2020 at 10:14 PM

BA

Willie Bell the last time we talked we were at Carver Center you was passing by and I stopped you. Didn't know that would be my last time seeing you alive. You and Bertha was really close but we always had a special bond gonna miss you my friend love you. To your children and sisters you are in my prayers. Washington family I love y'all.

Brenda Albert - October 09, 2020 at 08:04 PM