

Acknowledgements

The family of Mary "Mag" Woodard Sherrod acknowledges with grateful hearts and deep appreciation all acts of sympathy extended to our family during the passing of our loved one. Your kind deeds, prayers and comforting words have been a source of strength as we prepare to say our final farewell to one we held so dear. Thank you for your love, loyalty and support. May the Lord bless each of you and keep you forever

in His grace and mercy.

~The Sherrod Family

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Silver Star Chapter #26 Order of the Eastern Star

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Carrons Funeral Home

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Celebrating the life and legacy of

Mary Woodard Sherrod



Sunrise:

January 29, 1952

Sunset:

May 17, 2022

Sunday, May 22, 2022

1:00 o'clock PM

*L.N. Forbes OFWB Tabernacle
1800 Bishop L.N. Forbes Street
Wilson, North Carolina*

Bishop Willie Thomas, Eulogist
Bishop Robert Gorham, Presider
Carrons Funeral Home, Directing



To Those I Love and To
Those Who Loved Me"

When I am gone, release me, and let me go....

I have so many things to see and do.

You must not tie yourself to me with tears.

Be thankful for our many beautiful years.

I have given to you my love.

*You can only guess how much you gave to me in
happiness.*

I thank you for the love you each have shown

But now it's time I traveled alone.

So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must.

Then let your grief be comforted by trust.

It's only for a time that we must part,

So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on.

So if you need me, call and I will come

though you can't see or touch me.

I'll be near and if you listen with your heart,

You'll hear all my love around you soft and clear,

And then when you come this way alone,

I'll greet you with a smile and say:

"Welcome Home"

WE WERE MEANT TO BE

*Something rare has happened -
Life has given us a chance
And I feel it's because we were meant to be
Not all lives that cross produce a union this
strong.*

*Fate can sometimes tempt and
then remind us that we were wrong.
Our love is not a false disguise.
Love is something we in time will truly
maximize*

*For We Were Meant To Be.
Finally, days are happy; time together is
special;*

*Our minds have been set free
I believe our love is real and
We Were Meant To Be!*

*To my Love, Mary
From Otis*





The Obituary *Mary "Mag" Woodard Sherrod*

Mary Woodard Sherrod, daughter of Andrew Woodard, Sr. and Essie Mae Pope, was born in Greene County, North Carolina. God in His infinite wisdom and unfailing power called her to eternal rest on Tuesday, May 17, 2022. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Barbara Woodard Coppage and her brother, Robert Pope. Reared in Greene County, Mary received her formative education from the Greene County Public School System where she graduated from Greene Central High School. Dedicated, dependable, and resourceful, Mary entered the workforce. She was gainfully employed by Export Leaf Tobacco Company, Wilson County School System, and currently by Carrons Funeral Home where she served as a Lady Attendant and sang in the Carrons Gospel Choir. A community activist, she was the Past Matron of the Silver Star Chapter #26 Order of the Eastern Star, Past Board member of Operation Care, and a member of the Red Hats.

Devoted, loving, kind, and giving, Mary had a very compassionate spirit and was adored and loved by all who knew her. Her compassionate spirit touched and inspired the lives of so many. With her jovial and witty spirit, she enjoyed life and the many pleasures she received from her family, friends, work, and church. Mary loved her family and her extended family with her whole heart. She loved to cook. Her favorite past times were line dancing, exercising, and taking care of her "Luv". Believing in the love of God she willingly gave her life to Him. With a desire to serve, she joined the fellowship and ministries at St. Luke UAFWB Church where she worshipped and carried out the spirit of God's Word. She served as secretary of the Usher Board, Pastor's Aide Committee, President of the Youth Choir, and the Kitchen Committee. Mary was truly blessed and blessed others simply by her presence. She was loved and will be dearly missed but always remembered with adoration and thankfulness.

Precious memories are forever cherished by her loving and devoted husband, Otis Sherrod of the home; two daughters, Vivian Hall of Wilson, NC, and Otressia Sherrod of Saratoga, NC; three sons, Carlos Ward (Tannesha) of Williamsburg, VA, Otis Sherrod, Jr. (Melissa) of Winston-Salem, NC and Montron Sherrod (Emmalee) of Greensboro, NC; four sisters, Teresa Woodard of Alexandria, VA, Linda Woodard of Walstonburg, NC, Doretha Mitchell (Beverly) of Alexandria, VA, and Annette Anderson of White Plains, NY; three brothers, Andrew Woodard, Jr. (Carol) of Stantonsburg, NC, Tim Woodard (Gloria) of Alexandria, VA, and David Lee Barnes of Queens, NY; three aunts, one uncle, fifteen grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends including the entire staff of Carrons Funeral Home.

*M*otherly to all. You raised a lot of people throughout your lifetime. You took care of everyone like they were your own. There was never a time where I couldn't call you when I was hurting or just needed someone to talk to. You were always there for me when I needed you and you will always be here with me no matter what.

*A*mazing at everything you did. You were the most amazing person at everything you did. Cooking, giving advice, taking care of everyone, and especially dancing. You will forever be that amazing woman that nobody can forget.
~Niyah

*M*emories were made. Hugs were given. Laughs and smiles were shared. No matter where you went, you shined your light and made sure to leave your mark there. You have planted many seeds in all of us and we will continue to let them sprout. No matter where we go, and what we do, we know you are still watching over us, without a doubt.

*A*lthough our hearts are saddened, we know you're in a better place. While we may not understand why, you taught us that God makes no mistakes. Selfishly, we want you here, but God needed you more. I can't wait to see you again when I reach Heaven's doors.
~China

*R*esilient through it all, there was never a challenge you couldn't defeat. Your strength and courage are unmatched, and you inspired me more and more every day.

*Y*outhfulness! You are the only person I know that turns 25 on every birthday. But your youthful spirit was never determined by your age, it comes from the way you lived your life. One who possesses hope and faith is forever young.
~Brittany

The Order of Service

Bishop Robert L. Gorham, Presiding

The Musical Prelude

The Processional of Clergy and Family

Opening Selection.....Carrons Gospel Choir

The Holy Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Pastor Mary Jo Atkinson

New Testament.....Pastor William D. Horne, Jr.

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Jimmy Williams

Solo.....Mr. Kent Taylor

Tribute.....Sheriff Calvin Woodard, Jr.

Acknowledgements & Obituary.....Pastor Tawanda Moore

Musical Selection.....Carrons Gospel Choir

The Eulogy.....*Bishop Willie Thomas*

Funeral Director's Brief

Recessional

Interment

*Rest Haven Cemetery
1717 Bishop L.N. Forbes Street
Wilson, North Carolina*

