



Ms. Ruth Diane Shepherd

March 19, 1952 - February 24, 2024

Ruth "Diane" Shepherd was born to the late Charlie Shepherd and Ernestine Whitehead Shepherd on March 19th, 1952, in Martin County, NC. She was the 10th of 12 children from this union. She went on to be with the Lord on Saturday, February 24, 2024, at her home in Williamston, North Carolina, at the age of 71.

In 1968, Ruth relocated from her hometown of Robersonville NC to Syracuse, New York. Ruth graduated from Central Tech high school in 1970 and attended Rochester University college afterwards. Ruth embarked on a journey of diverse careers, showcasing her culinary talents as a Chef and Line Cook in various establishments. Later in life, after returning to Martin County NC in 1990, she transitioned into the role of a compassionate home health aide, and Residential Program worker dedicating herself to caring for others with kindness and empathy.

Beyond her professional endeavors, Ruth found joy in simple pleasures. She delighted in shopping, the excitement of basketball games, and the cherished moments spent with her family. She was known for her warm heart, infectious laugh, and unwavering love. Though she never married nor had children of her own, Ruth treasured her role as an aunt, leaving a lasting impact on all her nieces and nephews.

Ruth "Diane" Shepherd was preceded in death by her 9 siblings: Earl, Randolph, Earline, Marie, Hattie, Sam, Walter, Daniel and Jannie.

Ruth is survived by her brothers, Ernest Shepherd of Durham, NC, Joseph

Shepherd of Williamston NC; a host of nieces and nephews, additional family, friends and acquaintances whose lives she touched with her kindness and laughter.

Ruth's memory will forever remain in the hearts of those who knew and loved her. As we bid farewell to a cherished soul, let us celebrate the legacy of love, laughter, and compassion she leaves behind. May she rest in eternal peace.

Cemetery Details

Martin Memorial Gardens

12813 U.S. 64
Williamston, NC 27892

Previous Events

Viewing/Visitation

MAR 8. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Cedar Hill Missionary Baptist Church
2131 Rodgers School Rd
Williamston, NC 27892

Celebration of Life Service

MAR 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MP

“ *Michael A. Purvis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruth Diane Shepherd*



Michael A. Purvis - March 07, 2024 at 05:09 PM

PF

“ *Pastor Milton & Delorse Staton Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruth Diane Shepherd*



Pastor Milton & Delorse Staton Family - March 07, 2024 at 12:33 AM

RC

“ *SENDING LOVE AND PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY WE KNOW GOD WILL STRENGTHEN AND HOLD YOU UP DURING THIS DIFFICULT LOVE*



LOVE REV DORA COX/ DEC WILLIAM COX

reverend dora cox & dec william cox - March 04, 2024 at 10:12 PM

TC

“ Theresa Carr lit a candle in memory of Ms.
Ruth Diane Shepherd



Theresa Carr - February 28, 2024 at 06:56 AM

LP

“ Praying that God will provide Peace and Comfort to the Family!!!

Lisa S Perkins - February 27, 2024 at 06:40 PM

EH

“ My Condolences Are Prayers Are With The
Family



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - February 27, 2024 at 05:41 PM

EH

“ Earnest Hudson lit a candle in memory of Ms.
Ruth Diane Shepherd



Earnest Hudson - February 27, 2024 at 08:04 AM

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Earnest Hudson - February 27, 2024 at 08:03 AM

TB

RIP cousin

Tim Brown - March 05, 2024 at 03:38 PM

PF

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Pastor Milton & Delorse Staton Family - February 26, 2024 at 07:57 PM

CS

“ Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolences on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - February 26, 2024 at 03:21 PM