



## Shirley Naida Reynolds

December 24, 1930 - November 2, 2016

Shirley Niada Napean was born on December 24, 1930 to Ellsworth and Marjorie Napean in Roxbury, Mass. Her family moved to Inkster, MI in 1936 where she graduated from Inkster High School. She accepted Christ at an early age and was a faithful member of Smith Chapel AME church for most of her life. She married Kent Williams and had four wonderful sons from this union. She later married Wardell Reynolds who preceded her in death. She was the first African American hired by the University of Michigan Dental School in 1960. Shirley eventually retired from United States Post Office after 26 years of service and spent the remainder of her years showering her grandchildren with love.

Shirley loved people and loved to laugh. She had a sense of humor that was infectious. Most of all, she loved her family and always seemed to have a house full of grands. Somehow she managed never to forget anyone's birthday or anniversary. She was the most incredible mother to her sons and nieces but more than that, each of them counted her as one of their best friends. She was always good for a word of wisdom and never judged....she only loved.

She was preceded in life by her mother, father, two sisters, Jean Rustin and Barbara Etchinson and step-father Henry Chapman. Shirley will be missed by so many people including her four sons, Frank (Murlean), John (Marilyn), Eric (Barbara), and Kevin (Andrea). She also leaves behind her loving nieces Carolyn Nichols, Alonia Berry (Steve), and Jimmie Littlejohn (Alonzo); her adopted daughters Olivia Williams and Tonya Teagle; and her sister Patricia Epps. She had 14 grandchildren and 99-ish great grandchildren. She also leaves her best friend Phillis Bonner.

# Events

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**NOV** **Family Hour** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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23800 W. Chicago, Redford, MI, US

**NOV** **Celebration of Life** 11:00AM

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# Comments

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**Karen Harding** - November 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM