



Bessie L. Shealey

March 7, 1943 - October 31, 2016

Mrs. Bessie L. (Stevens) Shealey departed her earthly home on Monday, October 31, 2016 at Chesapeake Regional Hospital, Chesapeake Virginia. She was born on March 7, 1943 in New Bern North Carolina to Thomas Stevens Sr. and Sophronia Hines Stevens. She was preceded in death by her husband of 41 years Mr. Otis S. Shealey Jr, her parents, and her brother Horace Matthews.

She enjoyed a 35-year career in the health care field. Bessie earned her nursing credentials in 1968, ultimately retiring as a nurse after 30 years at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital, Maternity Ward.

Bessie leaves behind to cherish her memories, two daughters, Monica Custis(Lee) of Elizabeth City, NC, and Sherry Shealey-Duke of Norfolk, VA; two sons, Michael Shealey (Dawn) of Norfolk, VA, and Charles Shealey (Lisa) of Williamsburg, VA; her sister Matilda Brown (Hennie) of Silver Springs MD, two brothers, Thomas Stevens Jr. of New Bern NC and Samuel Stevens of Providence RI; brother-in-law Cecil Shealey and sister-in-law Peggy Shealey of Kirkland WA, and her beloved Aunt Willie M. Franklin of New Bern NC; 15 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends

Cemetery Details

Meadowbrook Memorial Gardens

4569 Shoulders Hill Road
Suffolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

NOV 5. 12:00 PM (ET)

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services Chapel
1248 N. George Washington Hwy
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall



“ *Bessie Shealey is my grandmother and the reason I love makeup and all things related to beauty! I would love to sit and watch her get ready for work.*

She would turn on the record player, dance, grab her red beauty sponge and put on her Fashion Fair foundation. She would then look at me through the mirror's reflection and wink and say, "I'm cute, ain't I?" I'd watch her transform her face -- adding her lipstick and blush and fluff her hair. She made sure to tell me how she HAD to look good, if she was going outside of the house.

To this day, I buy the same beauty sponges and implement the same routine, to get ready for the day --(with the exception of the record player - gotta love technology) and I ALWAYS look at myself in the mirror and say, "I'm cute, ain't I?!"

I love you, Nanny!

-Danielle Custis

Danielle Custis - November 07, 2016 at 12:24 PM



“ *District 37 Toastmasters purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Bessie L. Shealey.*



District 37 Toastmasters - November 04, 2016 at 02:12 PM

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“ District 37 Toastmasters all over the State of North Carolina send our condolences to Past Division Director Monica Custis and her entire family. We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers as you journey through this difficult time. Monica, please know that your Toastmaster Family is here for you.

Sindy Martin, District Director - November 04, 2016 at 12:54 PM

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“ Robinson Family lit a candle in memory of Bessie L. Shealey



Robinson Family - November 03, 2016 at 10:38 AM

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“ Reddick Family lit a candle in memory of Bessie L. Shealey



Reddick Family - November 03, 2016 at 10:36 AM



“ 30 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - November 02, 2016 at 05:22 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bessie L. Shealey.



November 02, 2016 at 08:39 AM



“ Audrey Shealey lit a candle in memory of Bessie L. Shealey



Audrey Shealey - November 01, 2016 at 09:06 PM

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Audrey Shealey - November 01, 2016 at 09:03 PM