



MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS

December 14, 1943 - January 10, 2023

Willie Pearl Killins was born on December 14th, 1943, in Collinsville, Mississippi, the 4th child of 7 children born to the late Rev. Willie G. Killins and Maggie Jimmerson Killins-Smith. Two siblings preceded her in death: Doris Killins and Morris Killins. Also preceding in death is her grandson, Demetrius Killins, III and her great grandson King Killins. Her mother, Maggie Jimmerson Killins-Smith, her father, Willie G. Killins. Grandmother Nancy Parker-Jimmerson and Grandfather John Jimmerson. Willie Pearl Killins was raised in a Christian home and attended Center Ridge Methodist Church, which her father, Rev. Willie G. Killins was the pastor.

Willie Pearl attended Little Rock School and Whisenton High School in Dekalb, Mississippi. She received her high school diploma in 1964 and was one of the basketball stars of the team, in which she played very well and her basketball photo was posted in the school trophy case for many years after graduating.

Willie Pearl met Lester Peden of Kemper County, MS and from their union they had two children, Linda Powell (Peden) and Willie Perry Killins-Peden. Willie Pearl also met Dan Frazier of Flint, Michigan and from their union Demetrius Killins.

On July 17th, 1994, Willie Pearl was interviewed by Roger Beukema from The Oakland Press. In the article she was quoted as saying, "I have been fishing

all my long and enjoyable life.” “I’m using waxworm for bait, minnows, red worms and night crawlers; whatever it takes to catch fish.” Everyone knew she was an avid fisherman and loved fishing above all else.

Willie Pearl worked at Anderson Tank Welding Company in Flint, Michigan. She also worked in the lunch program at Carpenter Rd Elementary School in Flint, Michigan.

Willie Pearl also loved flowers and had a beautiful garden while living in Flint, Michigan. She also loved to cook and also said, “my dad, Willie G. Killins loved my cooking the best.”

Willie Pearl was a disciplinarian and would not tolerate disrespect. She was quick to use the belt if she felt you were out of line. She also did not play about her children missing school. “Go to school and get that education, so you can make that money.”

Willie Pearl was a superb card player and adamant that we learn how to play too. She would beat you under the table and talk a lot of junk while doing it. Sometimes she would win all the money and would have to sneak us out of the house, especially if she was not playing at home. She would tap us on the shoulder and whisper, “Come on yawl let’s go!” That was our cue to break camp. She made many people upset winning their money.

Willie Pearl was very outspoken and feisty. Loved to host parties and was definitely the life of the party. And would sometimes have to fight after a comedic panning (joking) session with friends. The stories we could tell.

Willie Pearl leaves to cherish her memories one daughter Linda Lue Peden of Jonesboro, Georgia; and two sons, Willie Perry Peden-Killins of Nashville, Tennessee and Demetrius Killins of Flint, Michigan.

Seven Grandchildren. Gregorio Peden-Figueroa, III of Jonesboro, GA, Alexandria Tornea Peden of Sanford, Florida, Demetrius Killins, Jr. of Flint, Michigan, Dontae Killins of Flint, Michigan, Demetria Killins of Detroit, Michigan, Dyesha Killins of Pinebluff, Arkansas and Dazmenn Miller-Killins of Flint, Michigan.

Fourteen Great Grandchildren. Aaron, Aden, Demetri, Chole, Jordon, Demargion, King, Kimorah, London, Kayden, Jeremiah, Elijah, Khalil and Ja'Kylien.

One brother, John Killins of Meridian, Mississippi. Three sisters, Mary Burton of Collinsville, Mississippi, Ernestine Ross of San Fransico, California and Inel Redmond of Flint, Michigan. A special niece and caretaker while staying in Mississippi, Sharon Boler of Collinsville, Mississippi and a bonus son, Duane Martin-Peden of Collinsville, Mississippi.

As well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family, and friends.

Cemetery Details

CENTER RIDGE CEMETERY

COLLINSVILLE, MS 39325

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **21**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Healing Tears - All Pink* was purchased for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



January 20, 2023 at 01:42 PM



“ *White Sympathy Baskets* was purchased for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



January 20, 2023 at 01:25 PM



“ *Love, Tonya and Family.* purchased the *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket* for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



Love, Tonya and Family. - January 20, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *White Standing Spray* was purchased for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



January 20, 2023 at 09:22 AM

TO

“ Forever in my heart ❤️ I love you and will miss you forever granny
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Tornea - January 18, 2023 at 11:19 AM

LM

“ Love Ernest and Lisa Maize purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Basket for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



Love Ernest and Lisa Maize - January 18, 2023 at 08:48 AM



“ Lavender & White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



January 17, 2023 at 09:16 PM

GF

“ Gyron and Family, Orlando FL purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



Gyron and Family, Orlando FL - January 17, 2023 at 11:41 AM

LC

“ Love Inell Bailey, Denise R, Dorothy C purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



Love Inell Bailey, Denise R, Dorothy C - January 16, 2023 at 09:22 PM

PE

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Perry - January 15, 2023 at 09:47 PM



“ Red & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of MS. WILLIE PEARL KILLINS.



January 13, 2023 at 05:37 PM

JC

“ Even though I hadn't seen you in years you were always like a mom/auntie to me and I thank you for that. I'm going to miss you! Get your rest now. Love Joyce



Joyce Conerly - January 13, 2023 at 09:14 AM



“ Sending condolences to the family from the MS. Gulf Coast Jimmerson Family. ❤️ .

Vickie Collier - January 13, 2023 at 08:50 AM



“ Pearl and I shared many memories and jokes while talking on the phone. It was always enjoyable as we talked and laughed together. Rest in Peace in your Heavenly home! We love you and miss you. You gave it your best shot. Family we must continue to pray and ask God to guide us as we go through our loss. Eddie Bell Killins Moore

Edie Moore - January 12, 2023 at 11:03 PM



i misse you grandma

Jordan - January 26, 2023 at 07:27 PM