



Sandra M. Williams

September 1, 1935 - March 21, 2022

Sandra M. Williams, age 86, of Anna, formerly of Cairo, passed away on March 21, 2022 at 4:30 AM at her home.

She was born on September 1, 1935 to Barney and Oma (Briney) Beard in Cairo.

Sandra was preceded in death by her husband James D. Williams, Sr. and daughter in law Linda (Patrick).

In addition to raising three sons she was a full time working mother. Sandra managed the Manor Motel in Cairo, IL for many years. She later worked for Service Master Corporation working her way up to plant manager. In the latter part of her career, she specialized in institutional startups for Service Master, traveling throughout the southeast United States until her retirement. Upon retirement she and husband Jimmy Dean settled in Anna, IL.

Even in retirement she was very active serving on the Board of Southern Pride Senior Program. One of her greatest pastimes was traveling and camping in her motor home.

She is survived by her three sons Michael W. (Paula) Williams, James D. Williams, Jr. and Patrick T. Williams. And grandchildren Meghan N. Williams, Lee A. Williams, Cody D. Williams, Micah E. Williams, Jamie Williams, great

grandson Connor and (unofficially adopted daughter) Dawn (Little Girl) Walston. Her abundant family and friends left behind will always cherish the memory of her kindness, strength, determination and character.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 26, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Crain Funeral Home in Anna with Rev. Jerry Gleason officiating.

Visitation will be on Saturday, March 26, 2022 from 9:00 AM until the time of service at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Green Lawn Memorial Gardens in Villa Ridge.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be made to Southern Pride Senior Program.

Cemetery Details

Green Lawn Memorial Gardens

Villa Ridge, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 26. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Anna
135 W. Vienna St.
Anna, IL 62906
(618) 833-2176
crain@crainsonline.com

Funeral Service

MAR 26. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sandra M. Williams*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *It's hard to put into a few words what Sandra meant to me other than she was my 2nd mother after the passing of my mother. They were two peas in the same pod. That's why I felt she was an extension of my mother after her passing. She was caring, wise in many ways, and fair when it came to being firm. She will be greatly missed but always a fond memory forever in my heart.*

Jerry Gleason - March 29, 2022 at 10:40 AM



“ *I knew Sandra through Jerry and Laura Gleason. I enjoyed several weekends at Sandra's along with Laura and several times we'd visit Sandra with Laura's mother-in-law, Naomi. When we'd visit, Sandra always provided plenty of good food, great conversation and a lot laughter. Sandra felt like family to me as she had a special place in my heart as well as my husband's. She was strong, high spirited, witty and just a joy to be around. My life is richer for having known and spent time with Sandra and she will always be remembered with love and great fondness. Our heartfelt condolences to the entire family.*

Dawn & John Herbst



Dawn Herbst - March 25, 2022 at 12:02 PM

CG

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Carol & Randy George - March 24, 2022 at 03:30 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Sandra M. Williams.*



March 23, 2022 at 08:47 PM

CT

“ *Growing up, Sandy and her 3 boys were my tie to the Cairo relatives. Her son, Mike, was a special part of my growing up as we were together more often than any others of the family. Later, as an adult, she and Jimmy Dean "hosted" family gatherings that brought great joy and much laughter during Cairo visits. We I married, Sandy welcomed Deb and I at her home for yet another "hosted" gathering. Again, great fun, much talk, and lots of laughter. That was the last time I saw her, but was able to talk with her during my mother's end of life.*

Later, she and Jimmy Dean offered our mother Eulene a place to visit and a way to travel to places she would have never gone.

These times were recalled by Eulene as so of the best of her life.

There is another tie to the Cairo family that was so special. That was the Gleason's. Jerry will officiate at the service to say goodbye to yet another member of my family. This seems a final page of the family of my generation.

So, goodbye, Sandy

Charlie and Deborah Troutman

Ocean Shores, WA

Charlie Troutman - March 23, 2022 at 02:59 PM

HI

“ *Helen and Charlotte Imhoff purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Sandra M. Williams.*



Helen and Charlotte Imhoff - March 23, 2022 at 01:33 PM

LG

“ *Sandra was an amazing woman, role model, friend and mother. She loved and adored her three 'boys'. She served as a mentor to many, aspiring us achieve our goals. She was a gift that we will always treasure.*

Lit' girl - March 23, 2022 at 01:04 AM

PW

“ *She was a support and inspiration to many! I am grateful to have know her and been part of her life! Paula Kapla Williams*

Paula Williams - March 22, 2022 at 12:32 PM