



Margaret Williams Swafford

August 3, 1938 - November 10, 2024

Margaret Williams Swafford, age 86, of Dayton, passed away at her home on Sunday, November 10, 2024. She was born in Hamilton County, Tennessee, on Old McDonald's Farm on August 3, 1938, the daughter of the late Jesse and Mildred (Howerton) Williams. She was also preceded in death by her husband, William "Sonny" Swafford, Sr. in 2016.

Margaret was a 1957 graduate of Carver High School in Dayton, attended one year of trade school, traveled many places with her military husband, was employed by Kayser Roth, was a volunteer at Rhea Medical Center for 18 years where she was Gray Lady of the Year, and helped raise her siblings. She was president of the Carver Alumni Association and was president and treasurer of the choir at Mt. Zion Baptist Church where she was a member.

Margaret is survived by her daughter, Tammy (Guy) Swafford-Frazier of Anderson, South Carolina; her sons, William "Bill" (Sharese) Swafford, Jr. of Granger, Indiana, and Byron (Shannon) Swafford of Dayton, TN; her grandchildren, Jaleen, Elayne, and Cyrus; her great grandchildren, Zekarii and Jayden; her brother, Robert (Linda) Williams of Mesquite, Texas; her adopted brother, Johnny Downs; her adopted son, Jeff Floyd; her aunt, Katherine Howerton; trusted cousin and friend, Catherine Tullos; special niece, Jeannette Brown; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Margaret will be in the funeral home chapel on Sunday, November 17, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. with Rev. Julian Smith officiating. She will be laid to rest with her husband at Chattanooga National Cemetery.

Please share your memories and photos of Margaret on her online guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

The family is being cared for by Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton, Tennessee, where they will receive friends on Sunday, November 17, 2024, one hour before the service.

Cemetery Details

Chattanooga National Cemetery

Chattanooga, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 17. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Vanderwall Funeral Home
164 Maple Street
Dayton, TN

Funeral Service

NOV 17. 4:00 PM (ET)

Vanderwall Funeral Home, Inc.
164 Maple St.
Dayton, TN 37321
(423) 775-2662
tvan193@aol.com

Burial

NOV 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Chattanooga National Cemetery
1200 Bailey Ave
Chattanooga, TN 37404
(423) 855-6590

Tribute Wall



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Margaret Williams Swafford.*



November 15, 2024 at 12:05 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Margaret Williams Swafford.

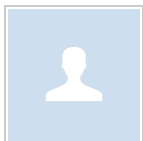
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“ *Margaret holding Jayden at the hospital when Zeniyah was born.*



kimberley Moore - November 15, 2024 at 12:07 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Margaret Williams Swafford.*



November 14, 2024 at 02:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Margaret Williams Swafford.

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“ NIBCO, INC purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Margaret Williams Swafford.



NIBCO, INC - November 14, 2024 at 01:12 PM



“ The Shambry & Reeves Families purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Margaret Williams Swafford.



The Shambry & Reeves Families - November 14, 2024 at 11:46 AM



“ NIBCO Pricing Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Margaret Williams Swafford.



NIBCO Pricing Team - November 14, 2024 at 11:00 AM

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“ NIBCO Pricing Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret Williams Swafford.

NIBCO Pricing Team - November 14, 2024 at 11:00 AM

SD

“ I WILL MISS MY COUSIN OUR TALKS EVERY WEEK HER BOSSY SELF LOVED HER AND SHE WILL BE FOREVER MISSED

sandra douglas - November 12, 2024 at 02:43 PM

KD

I'm so sorry to hear this. I met her and her husband when I did health care for her husbands parents. she and Mr. Sonny were wonderful people. My prayers are with your family

Kathy Derryberry - November 13, 2024 at 10:12 AM

KD

I'm sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful lady. I met her and her husband when I cared for his parents

Kathy Derryberry - November 13, 2024 at 10:14 AM

EF

She was A High School Friend, and Remained Friends , She and I, used to laugh, joked and had good times together.Rip.

Ernestine Ferrell - November 13, 2024 at 10:22 AM

BR

Aunt Margaret will be missed. She mad sure I knew about my Howerton family. i was young and dumb at one points and did not know how we all connected. i know she loved me and I loved and Appreciated her Love and Knowledge. The Howerton's are celebrating in Heaven!

Belinda Wilkerson Rogers - November 13, 2024 at 04:32 PM