

# Celebrating the Life of



*Sharon Young*

Services - Friday, May 23, 2025 - 1:00 P.M.



*Galilee Baptist Church*  
2511 Reo Road  
Lansing, Michigan 48911

*Pastor Frederick Galloway, Officiating*

## Honorary Pallbearers

Tyrone Walker | Eddie Young | James Hart | Robert Watkins Jr.  
Thomas Morris | Tony Larkins | Michael Edwards | James Leggios

## My Granny

On May 9th, 2025, another piece of my heart broke off. My granny was my everything. If you know, then you know—I was her Pooh, and that was my granny from the day she took me home. She kept both of us “fly,” as she would say. From a baby, she had me dressed down. She was the grandma who, when my mom told me no, would tell me yes—  
especially when it came to going over to friends’ houses.

She did everything for me—from birthday parties to going out of town so I could dance. If you saw Cricket, you saw her grandbaby, N’Shaiyah. She was nice to everybody—from my friends since I was four to people at the grocery store.

She always brought amazing energy and a kind soul everywhere she went. Oh Granny, how much I’m gonna miss you. You always talked about me going to prom. I know you were going to be the loudest at my graduation. It’s okay, because I’ll still hear you from above.

I love you forever—and into the afterlife.

Until we meet again.

Love,

N’Shaiyah Watkins



## Paradise Funeral Chapel & Arrangement Services

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# Order of Service



**Prayer of Comfort**  
*Pulpit*

**Scripture Reading**  
**Old Testament**  
*Psalm 91:1-2*  
**New Testament**  
*John 14:1-6*

**Selection**

**Tribute Video**

**Remarks**  
**(2 Minutes)**  
*Family/Friends*



**Obituary, Acknowledgements  
& Resolution**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**  
*Pastor Frederick Galloway,*  
**Galilee Baptist Church**

**Recessional**



# Obituary



Sharon Marie Young passed away suddenly on Friday, May 9, 2025, and it has left a profound void in the hearts of all who knew her. She was born on Friday, May 23, 1958, in Decatur, Illinois, to Alberta Young and Willie Chappell. She later moved to Lansing, Michigan, with her mother and brothers, where she spent the remainder of her life. Sharon graduated from Everett High School in Lansing and was known for her vibrant personality and caring nature.

Affectionately called “Cricket” by her family and friends, Sharon was a loving and energetic presence in the lives of all who knew her. She was a devoted mother to her beloved son, Robert Watkins Jr., and a cherished caretaker to many young relatives, including nieces, cousins, and her cousins, Sara Delacruz and James Leggions Jr, whom she raised as her own children. Sharon’s generosity knew no bounds, and she was a guiding force for many in her family and community.

Sharon is survived by her son, Robert Watkins Jr.; grandchildren: N’Shaiyah Watkins, Ahija Lamb, Nayla Johnson, Nico Johnson, and Sarae Stanley; and mother, Alberta Young. She also leaves behind her brothers Chris Young, Anthony Larkins, James Edward (Celestine) Hart Jr., and Edvardo (Pamela) Young; special brother and sister, Michael Edwards and Donna Hinton; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, Godchildren, and cherished friends.

She is preceded in death by her father, Willie Chappell; her beloved grandmother, Theresa Leggions; special cousin, George Wilson aka Boo; and her son’s father, Robert Earl Watkins Sr.

Sharon’s legacy of love, care, and strength will continue to live on through her family and all those whose lives she touched.



Cricket had a heart as open as the sky, always ready to listen, always quick to offer wisdom. She was a fierce protector of those she loved, and that love ran deep. She gave it freely, and in return, was deeply cherished. For Cricket, family always came first, even when it meant putting her own needs aside. She touched so many lives. Whether helping raise children, offering a warm meal, or giving someone a place to lay their head, Cricket gave without hesitation. Even when she could do something herself, she’d find a way to include others—just to put a few extra dollars in someone’s pocket and a bit of hope in their heart.

Her talents were boundless. Cricket could transform a broken-down shack into a home full of light, cook meals that made you feel like royalty, and carry herself with the grace and dignity of a queen. She made life better for everyone.