

'I'm Free'

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard him call, I turned my back and left it all I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work or play Tasks left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the close of day If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow My life's been full, I've savored much, Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch If my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief Lift up your heart, rejoice with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.



Pallbearers

Anttarch, Jr. (Grandson)	Cameron (Grandson)
DeVon (Grandson)	Derrick (Grandson)
Camerin (Great-Grandson)	Terry Hamilton (Nephew)

Honorary Pallbearers

Robert Brandy (Nephew)	Michael Jackson, Jr. (Grandson)
Garrett Spears (Son)	Tyrone Hamilton (Cousin)
The Men of Macedonia Living Word Fellowship	

Flower Bearers

Women of Macedonia

Repast

Following the Interment
Macedonia Living Word Fellowship

Acknowledgments

We, the family of Sarah E. Rhodus, wish to express our sincere appreciation for all the prayers, phone calls, texts, visits, meals, and other acts of kindness shown during this time. Special thanks to the women and men of the Carthaginian and Macedonia Living Word Fellowship for their love and continued support.



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A Celebration of Life



Sarah Elizabeth Rhodus

April 26, 1941 - October 11, 2024

Saturday, November 2, 2024

Visitation: 10:00 am - Funeral Service: 11:00 am

Macedonia Living Word Fellowship

353 W. Kemper Road | Cincinnati, Ohio 45246

Michael Artis, Officiating

Obituary

Sarah Elizabeth Rhodus, affectionately known as “Mama, GiGi, Suga, Sarai, Sister, and Aunt Sarah,” was born on April 26, 1941. She was raised in Cincinnati, OH, by her loving parents, Major and Cornelia Hamilton, along with her siblings, Wesley (Loretta) Hamilton and Beatrice Kennedy. Sarah departed this earthly life on October 11, 2024.

Sarah attended Cincinnati Public Schools and was a proud graduate of Hughes High School. Following graduation, she enrolled in Christ Hospital’s Nurse’s Assistant program. Upon completion, she worked at Christ Hospital for several years. She briefly left the medical field and held positions such as property manager and keypunch operator. She returned to the medical field and spent over 45 years of her professional career as a nurse’s assistant.

Sarah accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized. She was a member of the Macedonia Living Word Fellowship for over 50 years. During that time, she served as the church clerk, a missionary, and greeter. Sarah was a prayer warrior and a woman after God’s own heart. She looked at situations from a place beyond them and truly sought God’s will. Sarah possessed spiritual gifts of mercy and exhortation. She loved to help people when they needed help, and she loved to celebrate people whenever she could for whatever occasion. In her eighties, she continued the work of the Lord by visiting and taking communion to church members.

Sarah had a beautiful smile that would light up the room. She loved to laugh and have fun. She loved her family and friends, and she never met a stranger. One of Sarah’s favorite pastimes was spending time looking at the water. Lakes, rivers, and oceans—she loved it all. You may catch Sarah humming her favorite tune or dancing to “Lady Soul” by the Temptations or “Proud Mary” by Tina Turner. Sarah had a favorite saying, “nord, Nord, NORD,” that she would say when she was happy or excited.

On April 16, 1999, Sarah married the love of her life, Alfred Rhodus, in which they spent sixteen wonderful years together. They enjoyed taking trips, going to the park, and watching old shows.

Sarah leaves to cherish her memory: her daughter, Pamela Jackson; son Anttarch (Sheila) Brandy; three spiritual daughters: Sheila Mensah, Carol (Victor) Rozier, and Doncella (Tyrone) McWhorter; five grandchildren: Elaina (Derrick) Allen, Ebony (Cameron) Holloway, Anttarch, Jr. (Aliyah) Brandy, Amari Brandy, and Devon Jackson, and seven great-grandchildren: Camerin, Serenity, Avery, Jeremiah, Joyous, Judah, and Faith; sisters-in-love Geraldine Brandy, and Loretta Hamilton. A very dear sister-friend, Minerva Marion, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Sarah was preceded in death by her husband, Alfred Rhodus; her parents: Major and Cornelia Hamilton; her brother, Wesley Hamilton; and her sister, Beatrice Kennedy.



But they who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength: they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	Soft Music
Parting View	The Family
Selection	“Trust in God” M.L.W.F Winds of Praise
Prayer	Minister Theresa Sistrunk
Scripture Readings	
Old Testament	Anttarch Brandy, Jr.
New Testament	Prophetess Carol Leonard-Rozier
Selection	“Hail Jesus” Pamela Wilkins w/ Winds of Praise and Spirit of David
Reflections	Two minutes, please
As a Mother	Pamela Jackson
As a Sister	Minerva Marion
As a Friend	Mary Coates
As a Grandchild	Ebony Holloway
Tribute to Grandma	The Grandchildren
Video Tribute	
Obituary	Read Silently <i>A time to reflect and thank God for the life of Sarah Elizabeth Rhodus</i>
Poem	Amari Brandy
Selection	“Worth” Minister Chris Gillium w/ Winds of Praise
Eulogy	Pastor Anttarch Brandy, Sr.
Benediction	Pastor Anttarch Brandy, Sr.
Recessional	Clergy, Pallbearers, & Family

Interment

Vine Street Hill Cemetery
3701 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45220