

The Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I
cannot change; courage to change the things I
can; and wisdom to know the difference. Living
one day at a time; enjoying one moment at a time;
accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;
taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I
would have it; trusting that He will make all
things right if I surrender to His Will; so that I
may be reasonably happy in this life and
supremely happy with Him forever and ever in
the next. Amen.



Pallbearers

Nathaniel Sherman IV Andrae Marlon Sherman
Kenneth Tatum II Charles Powell III
De'Vonte' Dorsey De'Yonte' (Imani) Dorsey

Honorary Pallbearers

Kenneth Tatum III Kendle Tatum

Flower Bearers

Candace Tatum Sidney Tatum
Naeemah Williams Akilah Williams
Monica Marshall De'Shanee' Dorsey

Honorary Flower Bearers

Marie Dorsey Camille Houston
Monet Houston

Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep
appreciation the many expressions of love,
concern, prayers, and kindness shown to them
during this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!
- The family of Terrie Anna Sherman



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OF LIFE



Terrie Anna
SHERMAN

SUNRISE January 10, 1955	SUNSET August 14, 2026
VISITATION Saturday, August 29, 2026 10:00 AM	FUNERAL CEREMONY Saturday, August 29, 2026 11:00 AM

AT
WALKER EVENT CENTER

3939 READING ROAD
CINCINNATI, OHIO 45229

Obituary

With heartfelt sorrow and deep gratitude for a life well lived, we remember and honor Terrie Anna (Smith) Sherman, a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin, and friend.

Terrie Anna (Smith) Sherman was born on January 10, 1955, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Florena (Smith) Johnson and Frank Smith. From the beginning, her life was marked by strength, determination, and a spirit of purpose. She departed this life on August 14, 2026.

Terrie graduated from Hughes High School in June 1973, where she was the president of her graduating class. High school was a vibrant chapter in her life; full of energy, grace, and charm. She brought rhythm to the marching band with her saxophone and cheered her heart out on the sidelines as a cheerleader, lighting up every game with her winning spirit. Her athletic gifts were on full display in track and field, where she broke a shot put record in the state of Ohio. This resulted in her being voted “most athletic woman” in her high school.

Her natural warmth made her a favorite among her friends as they crowned her prom queen, an acknowledgement to the kindness and joy she extended to everyone around her. That same poise carried over into her local modeling opportunities, where her inner radiance shone just as brightly as her outer beauty.

Terrie continued her education at Howard University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in Physical Therapy in May 1978. While at Howard University, she played the saxophone in the marching band before making history as the university's second female drum major.

Her commitment to learning and service later led her to the University of Cincinnati College of Law, where she earned her Juris Doctorate on June 10, 1984. Henceforth, she was known as Attorney Terrie Anna Sherman.

On November 18, 1991, Terrie became a licensed attorney and counselor at law - adding to a lifetime of achievement, perseverance, and consistent dedication to helping others.

Terrie mastered two distinct fields of law, practicing both probate and entertainment. She earned the reputation of the absolute go-to expert in the city of Cincinnati for probate law. She is credited with contributing to the writing of Hamilton County Probate rules that the city still follows today. She served as chair of a local entertainment law group, guiding future lawyers on a University of Cincinnati College of Law scholarship committee, and was an active member within the Cincinnati Bar Association. Her work ethic, strength, intelligence, and sense of purpose shine as a beacon and will continue to inspire all those who knew her and know of her. “TerrieAnn” was an absolute powerhouse.

Above all else in her decorated life, she cherished the gift of motherhood. She was deeply proud of the sacred union in which she welcomed her three children into the world, always seeing them as blessings entrusted to her by God. Her life was defined by her unconditional love and unwavering devotion to her family. She was an ever present nurturer, teacher, role model, and enthusiastic mother in the lives of her three children.

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Her passion for the Word of God was undeniable, and her devotion to Jesus was something she couldn't help but share with everyone she met. She had an insatiable hunger to learn, eagerly enrolling in classes and courses to deepen her understanding of the Holy Scriptures. Her commitment to her faith led her to graduate from the Eagles Bible Institute School of Ministry at Cincinnati Bible Way Church on May 20, 2012, and to completing the “Equipping for Service” program at Inspirational Baptist Church - City of Destiny on November 13, 2013. She poured all of that knowledge back into her family and community. Whether you were a family member, a lifelong friend, or someone she had just met, talking to Terrie meant hearing about the faith, grace, and joy she found in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Terrie's iridescent light continues to shine through the prism of her three children: Nathaniel Sherman IV, Candace (Kenneth) Tatum II, and Andrae Sherman; her four grandchildren: Kenneth Tatum III, Sidney Tatum, Kendle Tatum, and Milaya Sherman; three sisters: Gwendolyn (Danny) Williams, Florena Houston, and Edna (Chuck) Powell; one brother, Keith (Clara) Smith; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and colleagues who all loved her dearly.

She was preceded in death by her mother Florena (Smith) Johnson, father Frank Smith, sister Mattie Marshall, niece Lisa Williams-Johnson, and nephews Saeed Williams, Keith Smith Jr. & Merle Houston III.

Terrie's life will be remembered for the love she shared, the wisdom she offered, and the lasting impact she made on all who had the opportunity of knowing her.



Order of Service

Musical Prelude Marvin Sapp
"Never Would Have Made It"

Prayer Bishop Grace Blue

Scripture Akilah Williams
Psalm 23

Scripture Naeemah Williams
Psalm 91

Poem Monica Marshall
"Serenity Prayer"

Selection Reverend Shasciea Larkin

Acknowledgements De'Shanee' Dorsey &
Camille Houston

Remarks Nathaniel Sherman IV
Candace Tatum
Andrae Sherman

Obituary Read Silently

Selection Reverend Shasciea Larkin

Eulogy Bishop Grace Blue

Benediction Bishop Grace Blue

Recessional Clergy, Family & Friends



Final Resting Place

Oak Hill Cemetery
11200 Princeton Pike, Cincinnati, Ohio 45246

Repast

Walker Event Center
3939 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45229