



Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips

July 1, 1960 - March 4, 2022

Memorial service will be 1:00 p.m., Saturday, March 12, 2022 at Ridgewood Missionary Baptist Church, 5326 Ridgeway Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29203 with Reverend Fred W. Coit, Pastor, officiating.

Please click the link below to view services for Ms. Celeste Phillips:

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Ms. Celeste Roshell Harris Phillips was born on July 1, 1960, in Columbia, South Carolina. She was the youngest daughter of Willie Robert and Bessie Bethel Harris. She won her battle to cancer, entering into eternal rest on Friday, March 4, 2022 at NHC on Parklane.

Celeste was educated in the public school system of Richland County, South Carolina, and graduated from Eau Claire High School, class of 1978. She continued her studies at Lander College in Greenville, South Carolina receiving a Bachelor of Arts in English in 1984. With her lifelong love of learning, she furthered her pursuits at The University of Phoenix, receiving a Master of Arts in Adult Education and Training in 2013. She was also a Certified Grant Writer.

Ms. Phillips was baptized at an early age along with her sister, at Ridgewood

Missionary Baptist Church, in Columbia, South Carolina by the late Reverend Levi C. Chavous. She briefly attended Rice Chapel Outreach Ministries until she later returned to RMBC in the early 2000s. She particularly enjoyed attending Wednesday night Bible Study. She instilled in her daughters her love for the beach, lifelong learning, public service, and seafood.

Celeste worked for several years at the University of South Carolina's Institute of Public Service and Policy Research and owned her own business, 3R's Publishing Company. Through her passion for community service, she served in various capacities at the Eau Claire Community Council, Ridgewood Barony Neighborhood Association, SC Uplift Community Organization, and the Ridgewood Foundation Board of Directors. She was a proud member of Ridgewood Missionary Baptist Church and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Celeste was preceded in death by her sister, Kathy Adams; and granddaughter, Amelia Blakeney.

She leaves to cherish loving memory: her parents, Willie and Bessie Bethel Harris, of Columbia, SC; three daughters, Kristen LaRosa Phillips, of Columbia, SC, Raechel Lynnette Blakeney of Columbia, SC; Ricki (Brooks) Heard of Houston, TX; her grandchildren, Kaylen, Te'Yonna, Terrell II, Brooklyn, and Brooks Jr.; nieces, her special cousin, DJuana; other cousins, aunts, uncles, and beloved relatives and friends.

Please leave the Phillips/Blakeney family your condolences and prayers.

The Phillips/Blakeney family acknowledges with grateful appreciation, all of your kind expressions of love and sympathy.

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

Ridgwood Missionary Baptist Church
5326 Ridgeway Street
Columbia, SC 29203

Tribute Wall



“ I worked with Celeste for many years at the USC Survey Research Lab. She was one of the sweetest, kindest people I knew. She had a gentle soul with a beautiful smile. My thoughts and prayers for the family 🙏

Glenna Osier - March 13, 2022 at 07:02 PM



I also worked with Celeste I'm the USC Survey Research Lab for many years. She always had an encouraging word for me if she noticed I wasn't myself. She was a great worker but most of all I could call her my friend. She loved her God and her family. Rest in peace Celeste. Since Celeste passed away Glenna Osier from the above comment has passed. Both will be missed.

Anita Marie Hansen - March 20, 2023 at 12:18 PM



“ Sheryl Harts lit a candle in memory of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips



Sheryl Harts - March 12, 2022 at 09:43 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips.



March 11, 2022 at 09:30 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips.*



March 11, 2022 at 09:03 AM



“ *Bridgette H. Phillips lit a candle in memory of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips*



Bridgette H. Phillips - March 11, 2022 at 05:26 AM



“ *Sharon Washington lit a candle in memory of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips*



Sharon Washington - March 09, 2022 at 08:45 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips.*



March 08, 2022 at 08:34 PM

MH

“ Ms. Celeste Phillips was a great mother and was an advocate for the youth of the Eau Claire Community Council and the North Columbia area. She was respected and loved by all who knew her. She will be truly missed.

Mr. Henry T Hopkins Emeritus Executive Director of the Eau Claire Community Council.

Mr. Henry T. Hopkins - March 08, 2022 at 04:49 PM

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“ Sheila Young-Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips



Sheila Young-Jones - March 08, 2022 at 01:04 PM

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“ Angela Propher lit a candle in memory of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips



Angela Propher - March 08, 2022 at 08:56 AM

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“ In 2004 we came across each other at Eau Claire City Community Wildwood. Worked together helping our Company growing with Faith base & School K-4-College she will be missed. Dr Sharon Denise Dixon McMillian Columbia, S.C

Dr Sharon D McMillian - March 07, 2022 at 04:28 PM

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My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Trina - March 11, 2022 at 06:22 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Celeste Roshell Phillips.*



March 07, 2022 at 03:34 PM