



Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland

August 10, 1942 - January 27, 2024

Edwina “Winnie” Holland passed away peacefully at her home Saturday morning, January 27, 2024. She was born on August 10, 1942, in Monmouth County, New Jersey to her parents, Mr. Sibbie and Mrs. Lillian Parker and was joined in holy matrimony to the late Sebastian “Doc” Holland on June 23, 1961. Together, they raised three sons, Seth Holland (Sharon), Shawn Holland (Jeanine) and Shannon Holland (Sharyn).

Winnie graduated from the Asbury Park school system and went on to attend Middlesex College in New Jersey where she earned her nursing degree and went on to become a registered nurse. She had a stellar career as a NICU nurse for more than 30 years across the Monmouth Medical Center and Duke University Health System. Winnie took care of countless babies during that time and a number of those families have stayed connected to her through the years because of the love and tenderness she showed them.

Winnie was also a faithful member of Grace Church of Durham, affectionately known to them as “Momma Winnie”. She adored her church family and lovingly called her pastor, Dr. Kedrick T. Lowery, her fourth son.

Her favorite place on earth was Honolulu, Hawaii, where she traveled annually for more than 40 years. Winnie looked forward to making that trip every year and took great joy in having family and friends accompany her. She wanted everyone to experience her happy place and love it as much as she did. Now, Heaven is her happy place.

Winnie was predeceased by her husband, Sebastian Holland; her sister, Vonda Lee White and her grandson, Vaughan A. Holland. In addition to her sons, Winnie leaves to forever cherish her memory 12 grandchildren: Cherina Evans, Tyrone Miles, Darius Holland, Darian Holland, Sydney Holland, Tasha Miller, Aysia Holland, Shannon Holland, Jr., Shakia McDaniel, David Lawson, Jr., Troy Looper and Travis Workman; 15 great grandchildren: Sariah Miles, Alex Miles, Savannah Holland, Sarai Crawford, Zion Crawford, Izreal McDaniel, David Lawson, III, Lailani Holland, Kyan Dupree, Antonio Looper, Shyheim Looper, Malahi Workman, Lamaya Workman, Jeremiah Workman and

Josiah Workman; four beloved nieces, Robin Murray, Adrienne Stevenson, Amber Murray, April Murray and special long-time friends Violet Blumenthal, Carolanne and Marty Crowley and Christine Palumbo, and a host of other important extended family and friends.

Services to celebrate the life of Edwina Delaine Holland will take place at Grace Church of Durham, 1417 Cole Mill Road, Durham, North Carolina 27705, on Saturday, February 10th; visitation 1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m., service 1:30 p.m.

Interment will take place at Markham Memorial Gardens.

Cemetery Details

Markham Memorial Gardens

4826 Trenton Rd
Chapel Hill, NC 27517
(919) 489-9128

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 10. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Grace Church of Durham
1417 Cole Mill Road
Durham, NC 27705

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

JH

“ I remember aunt Winnie being so kind and loving to everyone she will be missed the last time I saw her was at Amber’s Baby Shower



Joanne Wilson Hebert - February 16, 2024 at 11:52 AM

RH

“ Ronnie, Michael and King (Paul) Holland purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.



Ronnie, Michael and King (Paul) Holland - February 09, 2024 at 09:06 AM

TF

“ The Shanks Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.



The Shanks Family - February 07, 2024 at 07:39 PM

TF

“ The Shanks Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.

The Shanks Family - February 07, 2024 at 07:39 PM

YS

“ Your brother Reggie and Shonda purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.



Your brother Reggie and Shonda - February 07, 2024 at 06:39 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.



February 07, 2024 at 09:52 AM

LB

“ Love you, Robert & Belinda Bynes planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.

Love you, Robert & Belinda Bynes - February 07, 2024 at 09:52 AM

LD

“ Winnie was a truly beautiful person - inside and out. I'll forever remember her beautiful smile and sweet spirit. I feel so fortunate to have known her.



Lois Deloatch - February 06, 2024 at 10:36 PM

PP

“ Pat & Tino DiBella (Pat Pilot) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.



Pat & Tino DiBella (Pat Pilot) - February 06, 2024 at 03:12 PM

PP

“ Pat & Tino DiBella (Pat Pilot) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.

Pat & Tino DiBella (Pat Pilot) - February 06, 2024 at 03:12 PM

SH

“ My first time in a plane was with her. First time on a 2 week trip to Hawaii was with her. My first time getting married, she picked out my wedding dress for mine and her son's wedding. We talked politics everyday, we went out to lunch every other week, we watched Lifetime movies, we both love the color by number app. Not a day Seth and I didn't call to check on her.
This is so hard for me to accept and I know it will get better with time. Love you mom! Rest in peace.

Sharon Holland - February 04, 2024 at 06:58 PM

BH

“ Sincere condolences to the family of Winnie. It was always a joy to see her around Durham with her kind words and beautiful smile. She will be missed at family gathering. Love and compassion,
Barbara Parker Hayes ❤️



Barbara Parker Hayes - February 03, 2024 at 11:40 PM

MC

“ Marty & Carolanne Crowley purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.



Marty & Carolanne Crowley - February 02, 2024 at 08:25 PM

MC

“ Marty & Carolanne Crowley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland.

Marty & Carolanne Crowley - February 02, 2024 at 08:25 PM

MC

“ Words cannot express the love and friendship we experienced since the late 1960's when Carolanne and I first met you, Doc, and the boys. We had a lot of fun over the years Winnie and we will miss you greatly. Marty & Carolanne Crowley - Omaha, Nebraska

Marty Crowley - February 02, 2024 at 08:20 PM



“ *Nikisha and I miss our "eating buddy." Her humor and affection was like none other. May God heal the hearts of her family, so many were touched by her life.*

JaVaughn Troxler - February 01, 2024 at 10:21 PM

VB

“ *My first true friend at Duke in NC starting in 1990 passed away yesterday. She was a very experienced Intensive Care Nursery RN. If you needed some help with a baby, she could have the sickest kid in the room, and still find the time to help you out. She kept me alive my first year at Duke. Edwina Holland (Winnie) was so wise, so kind, so funny. I am proud to say she was my friend. I will miss her very much. I will cherish her memory as long as I live.*



Violette Blumenthal - February 01, 2024 at 10:28 AM

TL

“ *I will certainly miss my good friend Winnie! Her smile lit up the room and she had a wicked sense of humor. She was a friend you could sit quietly with and not feel like to had to talk to fill the space. That is a rare and wonderful quality. She had a deep understanding of human nature and a quiet dignity. I loved her and will miss her! Theresa Lacey*

Theresa Lacey - February 01, 2024 at 10:00 AM

JF

“ *JOYCE FARRIOR-GREEN lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland*



JOYCE FARRIOR-GREEN - January 31, 2024 at 03:24 PM

BD

“ *Brenda Dobson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland*



Brenda Dobson - January 30, 2024 at 12:13 PM

MP

“ *Marie Peluso lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Edwina Delaine Holland*



Marie Peluso - January 30, 2024 at 09:15 AM

MP

Winnie, sweet Winnie, you will be missed. Your smile lit up the world. Thank you for all the fun times, especially showing me around your Hawaiian paradise.

Marie Peluso - January 30, 2024 at 09:17 AM

PB

Dearest Winnie, I'm remembering so many things we did together over our fifty year friendship. We worked together and travelled together many times. You introduced me to Hawaii and we share so many memories of our favorite place. I love you. Pat

Pat Pilot Di Bella - January 30, 2024 at 03:10 PM

JH

Mom, I really have no words. You and I have loved each other for 40 years. When Shawn brought me home as college sweethearts, you welcomed me with open arms. I will miss you with my whole soul and I will remember every single thing we've ever shared. Now you get to be reunited with Doc and Aunt Vonda and Vaughan. How awesome is that!! Until we meet again, love you always!!! Rosie

Jeanine Holland - January 31, 2024 at 08:17 PM