



## Mrs. Shirley A. Lane

May 15, 1937 - January 10, 2023

### The Life of Shirley A. Lane

Shirley Ann Lane was born on May 15, 1937, in Goldsboro, N.C. to the Late Jessie Herring Sr. and the late Pearl Matthews Herring. Shirley was the third child of seven siblings, all who have passed on before her: the Apostle Hilda Flowers Cooper, Jessie Herring, Jr., Earl Herring, Raymond Herring, Nathaniel Herring and Hose Herring. Shirley was married to Eddie Lane, also of Goldsboro, N.C. on July 7th, 1956, until his death on June 27th, 1973. Shirley and Eddie had two children, a son, Ronald Anthony Lane and a daughter, Denise Michelle (Heidi) Lane Porter. Shirley graduated from Dillard High School in Goldsboro, N.C. where she was an honor roll student. She continued her education at Delaware State University and later attended North Carolina A & T State University where she was a proud Aggie and earned a B.S. degree in Business Administration in 1978. Shirley went on to obtain her Master's degree in Business Administration from Michigan State University where she also graduated with honors. During the entire time that she pursued her education she continued to be an employed young widow while raising her family. To say that she was driven was an understatement. She was committed to her family and truly valued education.

Shirley was a faithful civil servant and proudly worked for the Federal

Government for over 35 years. Her last employment was with the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) where she worked for 15 years prior to her retirement in January 1995. Shirley continued to be active in her community after her retirement. She would tutor underprivileged children, working with them in building up their self-esteem and reading skills. She volunteered her time in her community for whatever was required. She also served as a Deaconess in several churches and was an official member of Greater Mt Calvary Church in Washington, D.C. Shirley also served as President of the National Association of Federal Retirees for the D.C. Chapter. Shirley was a shining example of hard work and determination. She was dedicated to her family and friends and was known to offer her support to family members as well as helping strangers. Shirley had an affinity for children and the elderly. Most of the neighborhood, wherever she would live, would refer to her as "Ma Lane", a title she answered to proudly. She was a true matriarch and a community leader. Those that knew her knew she spoke her mind and you never had to guess how she felt about things. We will miss her great sense of humor, her laughter, her smile but most of all we will miss her unconditional love.

Those left to cherish the memories of Shirley's love are son, Ronald Lane (Michelle); daughter, Denise Porter (Ron); 5 grandchildren, Courtney Bell, Ayaz Porter, Ayana Porter, Miyanna Lane (deceased) and Jadon Lane; 3 great grandchildren, Marquis Bell, Corinne Bell and Marcus Bell Jr. She is also survived by a host of other family members and friends.

Memorial Video may be viewed on link below:

<https://youtu.be/7BvmCFTO4uU>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 20. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel  
5538 MARLBORO PIKE  
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

## Funeral Service

JAN 20. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Shirley A. Lane*



**Pope Funeral Homes** - January 20, 2023 at 02:58 PM

KT

*Sending prayers and love. Aunt Shirley you will be missed. We love you.*

**Kecia Tapp** - January 20, 2023 at 03:08 PM

HL

*That was a great celebration of Shirley Lane. Thank you Pope Funeral Home. AMEN*

**heidi lane** - January 20, 2023 at 03:46 PM

HL

*Thank you to my brother Ronnie Lane , and his family, Mickey and Jadon and our extended family and friends, Stephen and Pat for doing a great job honoring mom. Love to all, Amen. Heidi Lane and Family.*

**heidi lane** - January 20, 2023 at 03:49 PM

EI

*Sorry for your loss. We are blessed to have had family. I always remember her when I came to visit. Ernest Ivey*

**Ernest Ivey** - January 20, 2023 at 04:04 PM

HE

*PLEASE send any donations to your favorite Children's charity. Honor Shirley's memory by helping children. With Love, Denise Lane Porter (Heidi)*

Heidi - January 22, 2023 at 08:45 AM



“ Mrs. Shirley A. Lane

January 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ Mrs. Shirley A. Lane

January 28, 2023 at 10:26 AM

AP

“ Grandma Shirley was always a loving and caring person towards my sister Ayana and I. I remember when we would sleep over in her apartment as kids on the occasional weekend visits. She was always spoiling us with gifts and candy when we were small and loved taking us around Washington, DC where she was living at the time. She tried her best to get us into church and build a strong spiritual foundation for the two of us, whether or not it worked is another story though. It will be weird to visit the area without stopping in to see her and catch up anymore. While it does hurt that she has passed, I know she is at peace and in a better place now. Rest in Peace Grandma Shirley.

*Ayaz, aka "Mr. Professor"*

Ayaz Porter - January 20, 2023 at 04:44 PM

HE

*I loved the way Mom called Ayaz "Mr. Professor" because he was so smart. She also called him the "old shoe" as she felt he was an old soul... She was a great grandmother!*

Heidi - January 24, 2023 at 02:21 PM

AC

“ *Our sincere condolences to the Lane family. Ron and Heidi, your mother was a beautiful and warm person. I always enjoyed our talks with her when we were there at Ron and Mickey's. I especially remember her stories about growing up as a girl. May God comfort you and your family in your time of grief. Reginald and Almera Carroll.*

Almera Carroll - January 20, 2023 at 10:48 AM

HL

*Thank you Dearest Family. Hugs, Heidi.*

Heidi Lane - January 20, 2023 at 02:17 PM

LB

*gone from our sight but not from our heart. Kirby and Linda Brown*

Linda Brown - January 20, 2023 at 02:52 PM

SB

“ I will always remember Mother Lane as a very special, loving, supporting, and encouraging woman. I am truly thankful and grateful for her words of wisdom, guidance, and unconditional love. Heidi and Ronnie are very blessed and fortunate to have a mother that prepared them for the various challenges they would encounter in life, and to be successful and supportive siblings, spouses, parents, friends, and Christain's. Thank you, Lord, for sharing Mother Lane with so many people!!!



Stephen Branch - January 20, 2023 at 10:38 AM

HL

We love you brother, Heidi and Ron

Heidi Lane - January 20, 2023 at 02:16 PM



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Pope Funeral Homes - January 20, 2023 at 08:13 AM

RP

“ I remember first meeting Mother Lane in 1991 and her always cooking up a big spread of delicious food for the family and friends during Thanksgiving & Christmas Holidays and always being there to help family members and others during those hard times in need. Her taking care of Uncle Wilbert, her brother Nett, Grandma Pearl, and others. She was always very witty and loved to laugh and shared various pearls of wisdom and helpful advice. I'll miss her laughter and being able to talk with her. I'm happy to know she lived a full life and pray that her soul is resting in heaven while her loving memory lives on with us. We love you Mother Lane and are grateful for your caring, love and support throughout the years. May God bless your soul in peaceful heavenly bliss! Much love - Ron Porter aka Chef Boy Ardee.

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**Ron Porter** - January 20, 2023 at 06:06 AM

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**Heidi Heidi** - January 19, 2023 at 04:18 PM

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“ <https://youtu.be/7BvmCFTO4uU>

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**Heidi Heidi** - January 19, 2023 at 03:30 PM

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*Greetings Dearest Family and Friends,*

*Thank you for your kindness during this difficult time.*

*Please send any bereavement gifts or flower donation funds to your favorite children's charity in the name of Shirley Lane. Mom always loved helping children!*

*Honer her memory,*

*Heidi.*

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**Heidi Heidi** - January 19, 2023 at 09:06 PM

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**Heidi Lane** - January 19, 2023 at 03:10 PM

HG

*Mrs Shirley Lane Eva. ❤️ Hopie ❤️ Sonia we miss your jokes ❤️ laughter and more thanks we did take good care of you at compassionate care assistance living ❤️🌸🌸🌸🌸🌸🌸❤️❤️ God call you home to that buetyfull home Rip Mrs Shirley Lane we love you but God. Love you more ❤️🌸🌸 condolences to the family ❤️🌸 and friends*

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**Hopie Johnson care giver** - January 20, 2023 at 12:56 AM

HG

*Sleep on take your rest 100*

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**Hopie Johnson care giver** - January 20, 2023 at 12:58 AM

HL

*Yes, Compassionate care Crew did a great job with mom. Thanks, Heidi.*

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**Heidi Lane** - January 20, 2023 at 10:14 PM

CS

“ *To Denise & Family,  
May God comfort you, may he wrap his arms around you and give you peace.  
Thinking of you with deepest sympathy at this time.  
Cherryl Schultz & Family*

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**Cherryl Schultz** - January 18, 2023 at 09:16 PM

DD

*To Denise Porter and family,*

*Keeping you and the family in prayer as you continue to trust GOD thru this difficult time. My sincerest condolences.*

*Dione Dailey.  
& Family*

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**Dione Dailey** - January 19, 2023 at 10:10 AM

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*Thank you dear*

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**Heidi Heidi** - January 19, 2023 at 09:07 PM

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*Luv you girl! Blessings*

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**Heidi Heidi** - January 20, 2023 at 04:11 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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Heidi Heidi - January 18, 2023 at 10:50 AM

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“ A Poem for Mommy by Heidi Lane 1/10/2023

*Thank you for adopting me so I wasn't alone  
I know you did your best to create a home  
Ill health left you a shell of what could have been  
And yet you stayed strong, striving to win  
When Daddy died, I thought you would too  
But your resilience shined, and God answered you  
You went on to achieve fantastic things  
As you took care of your family, especially me  
Life was hard and then it kicked you again  
But you kept giving love and made it your friend  
Dementia ravaged your mind and your body too  
Yet you found laughter and your strength came through  
You left today to be happy again  
So happy the suffering has drawn to an end  
We remember you now as you pass by  
Loving and laughing and telling everyone not to cry  
You're at peace in heaven where you wanted to be  
with all your family waiting there for thee...*



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Heidi Heidi - January 18, 2023 at 10:13 AM

VB

*Heidi, that was so beautiful! Your words of expression touched us all! Ms. Lane you have always been a member of the Bell family! We too will always keep our memories of you in our hearts! Loving you forever! Veronica (Ronnie) Bell and the entire Bell family! 🌹❤️🙏*

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**Veronica Bell** - January 18, 2023 at 11:38 AM

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*Thank you very much!! Blessings and Hugs*

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**Heidi Heidi** - January 19, 2023 at 09:07 PM