



## Sherry L Williams

October 27, 1947 - December 5, 2020

Sherry L. Williams, age 73, of Palmetto Florida, formerly of Miller Beach, passed away December 5, 2020. Sherry was born in Colfax Indiana on October 27, 1947. She attended Ball State University for her undergraduate degree and earned her Master's degree and administrative certification from Indiana University. Sherry began her education career at Edison Elementary School in Hammond, Indiana. After Edison, she taught Physical Education at Hammond High School and Morton High School. Sherry coached many young women in volleyball and basketball. When she transferred to Morton High School, she became the girl's basketball coach and in her last year at Morton she served the students and coaches as the Athletic Director.

In 1988 she became the Athletic Director/Assistant Principal at Hobart High School. She served as the athletic director and later assistant principal for 7 years until she became the principal. Sherry led the Brickies educational team until she retired in 2002.

Sherry was a member of the Hobart Kiwanis Club, served as a volunteer for Meals on Wheels and the Hobart Food pantry. She attended the Hobart United Methodist Church until she moved to Palmetto Florida in 2017.

Sherry was preceded in death by her mother- Rosemary Shoemaker, father- Jay B. Williams; brothers- Don(Shirree) and Rudy Kelly; sister- Judy (Larry) Bowen.

Sherry is lovingly remembered by her wife and life partner- Letty Hicks, and her best friend of 54 years-Robyn Payne. Missing her also are nephews- Jay Williams, Tim Bowen and Troy Bowen; great nephews- Michael (Courtney) Klouser and Austin Williams; great nieces -Rhiannon Bowen and Sydney Williams; great- great nephews - Brady Klouser, Harrison Klouser, and niece Kynlee Mounts.

Sherry impacted so many people. She was truly selfless with her time and a dedicated teacher, coach and friend. She will be missed by all.

Friends are invited to join Letty in celebrating Sherry's life on Saturday, May 22, 2021 from 2-5 pm in the Clipper Room at the Hammond Marina, 720 Casino Center Drive, Hammond, IN. Donations in her memory may be made to the Hobart Food Pantry, 200 S Hobart Road, Hobart IN 46342. Burns Funeral Home (Hobart) entrusted with local arrangements. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY **22**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Hammond Marina - Clipper Room  
720 Casino Center Drive  
Hammond, IN 46320

# Tribute Wall

KR

“ I was so heartbroken to hear the news of Sherry’s passing. She was a part of so many lives, and I was lucky to have her part of mine from Edison to Hammond High. Her encouragement and support was always there for me. Her sense of humor, authenticity and leadership was an early influence. May her memory be eternal.

Karen Korellis Reuther - May 09, 2021 at 11:31 AM

JP

“ Sherry was such a beautiful soul! She was so thoughtful and such a fun person to be around. It was a blessing to know her!

Jesse Prentiss - December 14, 2020 at 03:01 PM

TW

“ There are not many people who make such an impression that you remember the moment you first met them. Sherry was one of those people. And all these years later I still remember. So many wonderful memories, so many heartfelt laughs. I will treasure them always.

Terri Winchester - December 14, 2020 at 12:55 PM

DS

“ Sherry played many roles n my life: supervising teacher, teammate, coach, athletic director, assistant principal and principal. But, the role I cherish most is friend.

debra steller - December 10, 2020 at 04:51 PM

BG

“ I worked under several principals. Sherry Williams was the best. She truly cared about all of us. She will be missed. Bob Graham.

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**Bob Graham** - December 09, 2020 at 06:07 PM

CB

“ Sherry was an integral part of the Edison Family. Parents, students and staff shared so many memories of Sherry. Her love of life and her ability to add humor to our day was unforgettable. Although Sherry has gone to be with God we have many cherished memories of Sherry. To Letty and the Williams family I offer my sincere condolences for a woman who touched so many lives.

CJB

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**Carolyn Borchardt** - December 09, 2020 at 04:37 AM

DK

“ Sherry was one of those unforgettable people you meet along life's journey. She approached each day and activity with enthusiasm and a positive attitude. Our water aerobics group, the Aquateers, will miss Sherry's inquiring rounds of check-ins on everyone to find out what was happening in our lives. Musical entertainment provided by Sherry was the part of our aerobics routine. Sherry knew the lyrics to EVERY song regardless of the era it was popular. Sometimes she would even add her own unique choreography steps to the music. Sherry's joy for life was bathed in laughter, and undergirded with love for the Lord. While Sherry is in the arms of Jesus, we only mourn for ourselves because we've been temporarily separated from a beautiful soul who is deeply missed.

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**DK** - December 08, 2020 at 04:23 PM

TM

“ I admired Sherry so much. When first getting into the coaching ranks for girls, she was a mentor for me. I followed her when she did so well with coaching and finally into the administrative fields. Her leader was beyond reproach. She has done so very much for so many. She will be missed greatly.

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**Tom May** - December 08, 2020 at 03:24 PM

SB

“ Sherry was such a special part of our family. She is in my earliest memories - always smiling, laughing, making others feel welcome. Sherry had a warmth about her and could light up a room with her energy. I loved her so much. I can remember dancing with her and my Aunt Letty at our wedding, singing "Dancing Queen" with her at a cousin's wedding, spending summer days at her and Letty's house on Lake Michigan, laughing (so hard that we cried!) with her and Letty when a chair collapsed under my then-fiancé at their house... memories of her are such happy ones. I'm so thankful to have had her as an aunt. She was a blessing to all of us. We will miss her tremendously.



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**Sarah Barnes** - December 08, 2020 at 11:42 AM

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“ God rest Sherry's soul. I attended Morton High School in which she was my PE Teacher. Later on I worked at the Hobart Administration where I met her again as the Athletic Director. She was always pleasant and very friendly.  
My deepest sympathy goes out to her wife, Letty, who was also my PE teacher at Morton and later on ended up working for Letty as well when she was the principal at Clark High School. Looking back, I knew them both as my PE teachers and later as my co-workers/employer. Both good people. Again my deepest sympathy to you, Letty and to Sherry's family as well.

Fatima Yoldash - December 08, 2020 at 10:36 AM

RO

“ Ms. Williams was a great teacher. I had her 82-86 at Morton. I did not like gym at all so year after year I failed it. She came up with the idea of me filling the pop machine and doing other things she might need done. So that I could graduate. She was very understanding and a great person. Schools need more teachers like Ms Williams.

Robin - December 08, 2020 at 10:32 AM

AT

“ My deepest sympathies to Letty and the Williams family. Sherry was not only my gym teacher and coach from Edison through Hammond High, she was a dear friend to my entire family! A huge loss to all those she touched in her life. Tim and Troy...,all the trips to Great America. Almost every summer for many years. I think Jay too once in a while. Parties at the Bereolos house after adult volleyball every Thursday. Yep us girls were supposed to be in bed but we heard it all!! Sleepover and a few vacations....a lifetime of memories! Heaven truly gained another angel. Rest In Peace and May your memory be eternal.

Andrea Bereolos Tsakopoulos - December 08, 2020 at 09:42 AM



“ Sherry was the embodiment of welcoming friendship. He had the talent to make everyone feel at home when you were with her. I pray that Letty and Sherry's family and friends find peace as she transitions to the arms of the father. She will be missed by many.

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**Louise Martin** - December 08, 2020 at 09:01 AM

LS

“ Sherry was one in a million. She was not only an administrator, colleague, and a fun loving friend. My heart goes out to Letty, and the entire family. May you find comfort from all who knew her spirit. Her smile and laughter will never be forgotten. Rest in peace. I am heartbroken to hear this news.

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**Lisa Gandolfi Spies** - December 08, 2020 at 01:16 AM

RB

“ Sherry was always an up beat person. Always a smiles on her face. We had many laughs and good company at our house with friends. My girls had Shelly for sports at Edison school in Hammond. They are very effected by her passing. They were very close to her and she taught them a lot. My she Rest In Peace. I will truly miss her with love. Rosalind Bereolos and Daughters.

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**Rosalind Anton Bereolos** - December 07, 2020 at 10:15 PM

BG

“ Ms. Williams was a great person, AD and Principal at HHS. She was loved by so many students as she treated us with respect and integrity. RIH, you are truly one of the great ones!

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**Bob Gallardo** - December 07, 2020 at 08:53 PM

MC

*Sherry Williams...what a dear, fun, empathetic, kind soul! I always looked for her and Letty at first service of church while I played the piano and organ! Both of the girls were always ready to listen to the recent happenings in Hobart...even after they moved to Florida and came home to visit! I was blessed to visit them once in Florida at their darling home. Such love they shared with one another and to all of us. My love and prayers to Letty and Sherry's large, extended family.*  
*Martha Carnahan*

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**martha carnahan** - December 10, 2020 at 12:14 AM

MZ

*I am sending deepest sympathy to all who had the privilege to know her, especially Letty & the Williams family. A truly more dedicated educator and all around giving person was embodied in this one of a kind friend. At Edison School she was an integral part of making sure we all enjoyed teaching and learning. Former students, parents, and staff still remark on how great it was to be part of the "Edison experience" Sherry spread happiness, hope and encouragement to all.*

*MZ*  
*Mary Zelencik*

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**Mary Zelencik** - May 09, 2021 at 10:43 AM