



Shanelle Stephanie Orr

March 11, 1963 - March 11, 2025

Born on March 11, 1963, in Talladega, Alabama, Shanelle was the beloved daughter of the late Bobby Lee and Evelyn Orr and the cherished third of eight siblings.

Shanelle's vibrant spirit shone brightly during her time at Lincoln High School, where she was not only a talented Color Guard member but also crowned Homecoming Queen, leaving a lasting impression on her community. Her work ethic became evident early on, as she began her career by JC and Maggie McCaig at the local Country Store, a testament to her dedication and commitment to service.

Shanelle pursued higher education with determination, attending Gadsden State Community College and later transferring to the University of Alabama at Birmingham, where she earned her certification in phlebotomy. Her compassionate care and professionalism flourished during her esteemed career at Cooper Green Hospital, where she dedicated 25 years of her life, forging deep connections and lasting friendships. Following her retirement, she served at the Social Security Office in Birmingham for another ten years, further demonstrating her commitment to helping others.

In 2018, Shanelle re-dedicated her life to God and joyfully rejoined Holy Hill Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ under the leadership of Elder Gary Smith.

Her faith was a cornerstone in her life, and she will be treasured for her kind spirit and steadfast love of praising God.

As time winds its course, we look ahead to a future where Shanelle's spirit transcends this earthly realm, as she embarks on her journey towards eternal peace. On Tuesday evening, March 11, 2025, the exact date of her 62nd birthday, Shanelle answered her Master's call and traded her earthly home for eternal rest while in the care of University of Alabama Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama.

She leaves to cherish her memory her only son, Desmond Orr; six sisters, Sharon D. Robinson of Montgomery, AL, Michelle D. Ball of Lincoln, AL, Beverly Orr-Kersey of Baltimore, MD, Ellen R. Montgomery of Modesto, CA, Casandra (Shun) Pringle of Lithonia, GA, and Tasha(Desmon) Embry of Ypsilanti, MI,; one brother, Louis (Renee) Orr of Lincoln, AL; and a host of nieces, nephews, and special friends to forever cherish her memory.

As we gather to remember Shanelle Stephanie Orr, let us carry forward her spirit of love, compassion, and dedication to service, cherishing the indelible mark she left on our lives.

Cemetery Details

Holy Hill Church Cemetery

299 Truss Ferry Road
Talladega, AL 35160

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 21. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel
217 Coosa St. East
Talladega, AL 35160

Celebration of Life

MAR 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Holy Hill Church of Our Lord
299 Truss Ferry Rd
Lincoln, AL 35096

Tribute Wall

JL

“ Desmond and the rest of the family so sorry too hear the loss of a great person. My prayers are with you all for the healing of the heart in enduring the pains of an life well lived in spirit and truth. Janie Lee.



Janie Lee - March 24, 2025 at 12:19 PM

CF

“ Cierra Calhoun & Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Shanelle Stephanie Orr.



Cierra Calhoun & Family - March 21, 2025 at 12:34 PM

SM

“ To know you was to love you !!!! A sweet soul that will definitely be missed . Even though we will miss you , God needed you more . Take your rest , auntie ! 🙏💕

Shayla McCoy - March 21, 2025 at 11:52 AM

JE

“ Aunt Nelle, I’m going to miss you so much. Coming down from MI to AL to visit will never be the same. I will definitely miss seeing your smile and hearing your laughter. I have a plethora of memories I could share but one I will share is when you and Big Dee took me and my brother Darius carnival when we were kids. We had such a good time, and enjoyed hanging out with you and Big Dee! That’s was a long time ago but it’s definitely a memory I cherish. Im thankful for all of the memories we have together. March 11th will never be the same. Rest in heaven, my birthday twin ❤️🕊️

Jasmine Embry - March 21, 2025 at 11:49 AM

KI

“ Karen Bedford I lit a candle in memory of Shanelle Stephanie Orr



Karen Bedford I - March 21, 2025 at 03:29 AM

WS

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the family,

Wanda Smoot - March 20, 2025 at 08:35 PM

SP

“ Sabrina Pinkston lit a candle in memory of Shanelle Stephanie Orr



Sabrina Pinkston - March 20, 2025 at 06:46 PM

SP

“ *Cousin Nelle, Aunt Mot and I love you always. You are always in our hearts. Take your rest and we will meet again. Tell Uncle Scooter, his Niece Brina miss him*□□□

Sabrina Pinkston - March 20, 2025 at 06:45 PM

WS

“ *Praying for her family.*



Winona Jacobs (former Sterling) - March 19, 2025 at 06:27 PM

MC

“ *Ms. Dee Curry purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Shanelle Stephanie Orr.*



Ms. Dee Curry - March 19, 2025 at 05:54 PM

TC

“ *The Pringle's -Shun, San,Cameron, Chase purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Shanelle Stephanie Orr.*



The Pringle's -Shun, San,Cameron, Chase - March 19, 2025 at 04:00 PM

RB

“ Rosa Flowers John Benson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Shanelle Stephanie Orr.



Rosa Flowers John Benson - March 19, 2025 at 02:10 PM

RB

“ Rosa Flowers John Benson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shanell Stephanie Orr.

Rosa Flowers John Benson - March 19, 2025 at 02:10 PM

AO

“ Shanell I remember when you were young and we used to call you nelle baby. I saw you last year when I was home and we talked on the back pew. We talked about the good old days when we were young
I had no ideathat would be my last time seeing you. You led a good life that your family could be proud of. Rest on cousin. You fought a good fight. Love you❤️❤️ Alice Orr

Alice R. Orr - March 18, 2025 at 10:04 PM

VS

“ My Deepest Sympathy and Condolences to the Family, Rest In Paradise Shanelle ❤️ Yall are In My Prayers 🙏🙏

Valerie K Stockdale - March 18, 2025 at 08:39 PM

BK

“ *RIP sister, now you can rest well. Free in God's arm with peace. You will be missed but I know you are smiling saying I'm ok!!!! Sending you love and hugs!!!!Rest Well Shanelle!!!!*

Beverly Orr Kersey - March 18, 2025 at 05:13 PM

GH

“ *Gregory Hines & family send our prayers and thoughts for our beloved cousin Shanell. We will always have fun and loving memories of her sweet soul.*

Gregory Hines - March 18, 2025 at 12:26 PM

CF

“ *Cuzin Pam & Suttle Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Shanelle Stephanie Orr.*



Cuzin Pam & Suttle Family - March 18, 2025 at 12:01 PM

LT

“ *Love, Marvin, Shezarae, Trent and Taylor purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Shanelle Stephanie Orr.*



Love, Marvin, Shezarae, Trent and Taylor - March 18, 2025 at 08:18 AM

SO

“ To my cousins, Bev, Essy, Louis, San, Torsha! We will celebrate Shanell because she was always smiling when we all got together as a family! We will be praying for you all! We all have that Orr bond and will be strong as always! God Blessings and much love to you all!

Marvin R Orr aka Shawn!

Shawn Orr - March 18, 2025 at 08:10 AM



“ Shanelle,
I will forever treasure every memory. You were a part of a lot of my “firsts”.. pierced ears, perm, hair cut, skating rink and the list continues. Thank you for the laughs, blessings and lessons. You will forever be in my heart. Gone but absolutely never forgotten ❤️

Tasha Embry - March 17, 2025 at 08:52 PM

BJ

“ Bev. Tez and Jessica purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Shanelle Stephanie Orr.



Bev. Tez and Jessica - March 17, 2025 at 06:44 PM

BJ

“ Bev. Tez and Jessica planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shanell Stephanie Orr.

Bev. Tez and Jessica - March 17, 2025 at 06:44 PM

VJ

“ Met Shanelle years ago at Cooper Green. She was a hard worker and always had a smile. Desmond was the love of her life. I was sad to hear this news. May God grant you all comfort as you navigate this valley of loss of pain. Cling to each other and God.
Valerie Jones

Valerie Jones - March 17, 2025 at 05:31 PM

DP

I worked with Shanell at Cooper Green Hospital. She was an excellent employee and always went above the call of duty. She was always pleasant when working with patients and their families. She was a team player and would always assist her coworkers. We will always remember and love her. We are praying for Desmond and the rest of the family. May God give you strength and comfort. Love, Deborah K. Pressley and the entire Cooper Green Family

Deborah Pressley - March 18, 2025 at 05:24 PM

SB

“ Aunt Nell,

It's hard to believe that you are gone. I will cherish every memory. I love you and I know that even tho you left sooner than we wanted I know that PawPaw and Grandma was waiting for you with open arms.

Sasha Ball - March 14, 2025 at 08:38 PM