



Denise R. Williams

April 19, 1961 - December 2, 2024

Denise Renee Williams, a beloved aunt, sister, and friend, was born on April 19, 1961, and raised in Kansas City, Kansas by her loving parents, the late Lilburn Dudley Williams and Ella Mae Williams-Kirkpatrick. As the youngest member of her family, she is preceded in death by her parents and three eldest siblings, Janet Elaine Smyre, Lynda Diane Marcelli, and Lilburn Dudley Williams III.

Denise graduated class of 1979 from Serramonte High School in Dale City, California. She later moved to San Francisco, California with her mother and sisters enjoying the laid-back nature of the west coast. Denise then moved to Hawaii, following her military brother, Lilburn, where she worked as a 911 operator and embraced the island life, especially her love for the ocean and finding her independence.

Denise finally moved to the east coast and made the greater Washington, D.C. area her home. Early on, she worked as a dispatcher for the U.S. Park Police in Greenbelt, MD and most recently as an executive administrator at the Federal Reserve Board, where she ultimately retired in 2020 after 12 years of dedicated service. She loved the open water so much so, that her final home was settled on Solomon's Island in Maryland overlooking the serene Patuxent River.

There was never a dull moment with Denise as she truly was the life of the party. Although she did not have children of her own, to her many nieces and nephews, Aunt Denise was the “fun aunt,” and she lived up to every facet of a good time. Her humor and bright personality filled any room she entered, and laughter was always guaranteed.

Denise had a deep passion for cooking and was always thrilled to experiment with new recipes in her “test kitchen.” She loved traveling, collecting dolphins, and was an enthusiastic dog lover. Most recently, she joined the Encore Choral of Southern Maryland, where the group performed ensembles at various locales in surrounding areas of Southern Maryland. Her adventurous spirit and warm heart touched the lives of many, and she will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Denise's life ended peacefully and in the presence of her loving family on the evening of December 2, 2024. She leaves to cherish her memory her nieces and nephews by her eldest sister Janet Smyre and brother-in-law Roger Smyre; Matthew Smyre, Nicholas Smyre, Miranda Smyre, Natalie Smyre, nieces from her brother, Lilburn D. Williams III and sister-in-law Joanne Sloane; Tyais Rivas, Chantee Williams El Jean Francois, Gabriella George, and a niece by her sister Lynda Marcelli; Monica Marcelli, along with a host of great nieces and nephews, beloved friends and extended family.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

8000 Woodyard Road
Clinton, MD 20735

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - Prince George's County
4308 Suitland Road
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Funeral Service

DEC 18. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marshall-March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Denise R. Williams*



Marshall-March Funeral Homes - December 12, 2024 at 10:51 AM

AB

“ *Denise and I worked in the same division for a few years at the FRB. I would sometimes run into Denise at lunch time over at K street. We would get together, share some stories and just laugh. She was such a joy to be around, and I truly enjoyed my friendship with her over the years.*

To Denise's family and close friends, I'm truly sorry for your loss. May God bless you and carry you through this hard time.

Aisha Burgess

Aisha Burgess - December 20, 2024 at 02:46 PM

MB

“ I am truly saddened to learn of Denise's passing. Denise was such a warm soul with a GREAT sense of humor. Really, the best.

I first met Denise when we joined the Fed. We were enrolled in the same orientation class, filling out forms and completing scavenger hunts to explore the corporate intranet. Although we worked in different units, she was never a stranger. I always enjoyed our hallway conversations.

To my chagrin, I had not realized Denise retired in 2020. To learn of her passing has hit me double. Thank you for posting the beautiful memorial service. My heart is with her friends and family.

Mike Blume - December 19, 2024 at 12:10 AM

YH

“ I met Denise several years ago at the Federal Reserve Board. The first day I met her, she had me laughing. She was so full of life and she loved working at the Board. She also loved watching the Kentucky derby. Denise was a bright light of sunshine and always was there to lend a helping hand for anyone who needed it.



Denise will truly be missed but not forgotten.

Sleep in peace Denise!

My sincere condolences.

Yvette Harvey - December 18, 2024 at 09:09 AM

FF

“ *Federal Reserve Colleague and friend. purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Denise R. Williams.*



Federal Reserve Colleague and friend. - December 18, 2024
at 08:11 AM

FF

“ *Federal Reserve Colleague and friend. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Denise R. Williams.*

Federal Reserve Colleague and friend. - December 18, 2024 at 08:11 AM

BD

“ *Denise brought light and joy to our workplace with her ever-present smile, her generosity, and her tireless dedication. Her kindness and willingness to help made her an invaluable part of our team and a trusted friend to all. The division-wide celebrations she so lovingly organized created cherished memories and fostered connections that will endure.*

She will be deeply missed but always remembered fondly by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

With deepest sympathy,

Federal Reserve Colleagues and Friends

Bora Durdu - December 16, 2024 at 07:24 PM

FF

“ Federal Reserve Colleagues and Friends purchased the *The Endless Sky Spray* for the family of Denise R. Williams.



Federal Reserve Colleagues and Friends - December 16, 2024 at 07:22 PM

FF

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Federal Reserve Colleagues and Friends - December 16, 2024 at 07:22 PM

DR

“ Rest well my beautiful cousin, your laughter, quick witted jokes and Love will surely be missed. The Band is back together ❤️❤️

Don Reed - December 14, 2024 at 10:12 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Denise R. Williams.



December 13, 2024 at 09:32 AM



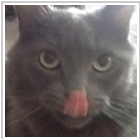
“ *Sending love from California and Kauai, with great memories of time with my cousin Denise while at Howard in DC. Sending love to you all actually.*

Eli Taylor - December 11, 2024 at 05:03 PM

BL

“ *I met Denise my senior year at Serramonte High school as an exchange student. I can still remember her lovely sense of humor and warm spirit. Rest in peace dear friend 🙏*

Birgitta Lantz - December 11, 2024 at 01:59 PM



“ *Denise and I worked together at Park Police. I helped to train her. She was definitely a force to be reckon with when it came to the holidays. She came up with the idea of little parties during the holidays; everyone bringing in a dish. She made our Halloween costumes one year. A group of us always went to dinner, dancing, drinking. I didn't know she had moved near me; I'm surprised we didn't run into each other at the Target or Walmart. I'm sorry to see such a wonderful person go.*

Gerry Parks - December 10, 2024 at 09:30 PM

FA

“ I met Denise years ago at the FRB and we instantly connected. She carried and worn a great sense of Love and kindness. She always had something to say or do that made you laugh. She loved her FRB position and served well.



Denise will certainly be missed by all the lives she touched and her FRB family.

Sleep In Heavenly Peace Denise

Deepest sympathy, Faye Harrison Franklin

Faye - December 10, 2024 at 04:43 PM

DS

“ Aunt Denise, you meant so much to me. I will always remember when you sternly told me, “Do not call me your husband’s Aunt. I am YOUR Aunt.” I love you so dearly. I am going to miss my Aunt... my friend. I will miss our conversations full of gossip and laughter. Your grand- nieces will miss their fun Auntie. You were always the life of the party. I will cherish you always.



Deanne Shevock-Smyre - December 10, 2024 at 03:13 PM

JS

“ Denise, I will truly miss our conversations and great laughs together. You always made me laugh and we had great times together. I am going to miss our sleep overs and just riding and listening to great music. Love you always. Jackie Smith

Jacquelyn Smith - December 10, 2024 at 07:59 AM

JP

Some of my best times were spent with you!! You were the greatest friend. I feel so lucky to have had you in my life all those years ago. Rest in peace my friend ❤️🙏

Janet Panas - December 10, 2024 at 03:25 PM



“ *We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - December 05, 2024 at 02:45 PM