



Winnie Bell Teal

June 14, 1933 - September 9, 2023

Obituary for Winnie Bell Whitaker Teal

“Lord, I’m your child and You’re my father. Take me with you.”

Winnie B. Whitaker Teal’s prayer was answered on Saturday morning, September 9, 2023, at her home in Stamford, CT at the age of 90 years old.

Winnie, affectionately known as “Sister”, was born June 14, 1933, in Liberty Hill, South Carolina to the late Hollis and Fannie Jones Whittaker. She was one of 19 siblings.

Winnie graduated from Boylan-Haven-Mather Academy Boarding School in Camden, SC. Winnie attended South Carolina State University in Orangeburg, SC. In 1954, Winnie relocated to Stamford, CT with her family.

Winnie was united in marriage to John E. Teal in 1965 in Monroe, North Carolina.

Winnie was a devoted wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, and great grandmother. She was well loved and loved everybody. Winnie was a “Favorite Person” to many family members and friends. Winnie’s kindness and generosity knew no bounds when it came to her friends and family.

Winnie was employed by the State of Connecticut Department of Social Services, where she remained for 43 years until her retirement in August 2011. During her career, Winnie held many positions, culminating with the title of Supervisor in the Stamford office.

Winnie's most precious moments occurred while hosting family gatherings at her home. She always made sure to celebrate all the family milestones, making sure everyone felt special on their day. Winnie also enjoyed traveling; whether it was to visit family in the South, a Caribbean Cruise, or just local trips around the Northeast.

Winnie leaves to cherish her memory, two daughters; Naomi (Maurice) Chapman-Taylor and Wendy Y. Teal, both of Stamford, her sister; Ruth Morgan, of Stamford, CT, one granddaughter; Yolanda (Brian) Smith of Stamford, one special granddaughter; Shawnda Whittaker of Playa del Rey, CA, three great granddaughters; Sierra, Rayonea, and Sanora Smith of Stamford, CT, as well as a host of devoted nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. She will also be remembered fondly by her special friends; Marie Chantale Lops, Fay Chevannes, and Rose Marise Philemon and healthcare providers.

Besides her husband John and her parents, Winnie was preceded in death by twelve brothers; Andrew, Jeremiah (Jerry), Burl, David, Isaiah, Benjamin, Joseph Sr, Rueben, Albert, Robert, Hollis Jr., and Johnny, and five sisters: Alice Perry, Maybell Shropshire, Silla, Ella, and Emma Whitaker.

Visitation will be held on Friday September 15th, 2023 from 10:00AM - 11:00AM followed by a service of celebration at 11:00AM at Faith Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, 29 Grove Street, Stamford, CT.

Interment will follow at Fairfield Memorial Park, Stamford CT.

Cemetery Details

Fairfield Memorial Park

230 Oaklawn Ave.
Stamford, CT

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Faith Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church
29 Grove St
Stamford, CT

Service

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Tribute Wall

KN

“ My condolences and prayers 🙏 to Wendy, Jerome & Whitaker Teal family. Mrs. Teal will surely be missed.

Keshia Nelson - September 21, 2023 at 10:09 AM

DE

“ DeBorah Evans-Atkins purchased the My Soul Lives On Blanket for the family of Winnie Bell Teal.



DeBorah Evans-Atkins - September 20, 2023 at 07:33 PM

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“ DeBorah Evans-Atkins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Winnie Bell Teal.

DeBorah Evans-Atkins - September 20, 2023 at 07:33 PM

VC

“ My deepest condolences to the family. May God continue to bless you through these difficult times. Love you all. Rest In Paradise Mrs. Teal 🙏❤️🙏.

Veronica Chavers - September 19, 2023 at 08:24 AM

JH

“ *My sincere condolences and prayers for Family, Friends and Love ones. May God's presence and your fond memories comfort and keep you all.*



James Homer - September 16, 2023 at 07:11 PM

MF

“ *Sending you and your family our condolences at this sad time. May your memories outweigh the sadness you're feeling.*



The Moore Family

Moore Family - September 14, 2023 at 08:13 PM

CF

“ *We Thank God for loaning us the awesome and Wonderful Lady. She will be missed and memories will live on for many many generations.*

cMoore Family - September 14, 2023 at 06:13 PM

LB

“ *GiGi & Peachey My Prayers are with you & the family. I have so many fond memories with Winnie & John also along with the Whitaker Family. GiGi Im sure you remember the days of instrument practice I hated lol. And the tears I cried when Winnie did my hair the countless Avon deliveries. The hours our Moms spent on the phone. Whenever I made it to Stamford I always tried to see her. I will miss her laughter, God Loved her best and that reunion in heaven is going strong with all her siblings.. Until we meet again take your rest Winnie.. Love you Family Love Lynn Brawley*

Lynn Brawley - September 14, 2023 at 05:01 PM

SW

Naomi and Family: Please accept our heartfelt condolences. We understand how difficult it is to lose a mom, grandmom, great grandmom, and sister. May the memories of her 90 generous years bring you all comfort. God bless you. Dr. Sharon White Dillon & Family

Sharon White - September 15, 2023 at 10:17 AM

DA

“ *Sending prayers and hugs to the family of Winnie Teal. Our deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. May your memories bring you comfort and peace. Your angel is with the lord and you will meet again on the other side. Warmest regards from the Aekins and Goings Family.*



Donna L Aekins - September 14, 2023 at 04:59 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Winnie Bell Teal.*



September 13, 2023 at 01:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Winnie Bell Teal.

September 13, 2023 at 01:54 PM



“ *To the Chapman and Teal family ,Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. Sending our deepest sympathy.*

The Thompson & Burroughs Family

Abbie Thompson - September 12, 2023 at 08:04 PM



“ *To the family of Ms. Teal our deepest condolences to you and your for your loss*

Deacon - Deaconess DuPree - September 12, 2023 at 05:31 PM



“ *Our Sincere condolences to Naomi and Wendy and the entire family during this time of sadness.*

The Watts and Patterson Family.

Joe Ann Watts - September 12, 2023 at 04:16 PM

SH

*To the Chapman and Teal family
I am praying God keeps you and your family in his care and give you
the strength love and support..My deepest sympathy.*

Sarah Herring

Sarah Herring - September 14, 2023 at 08:00 PM