



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DR.
SHERRY
ANN COOLEY FAULK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

Celebration of Life Service: 11:00 AM

St. James C.O.G.I.C.

1838 Main Avenue, Warren, OH 44485

Dr. Melvin Howard Sr., *Pastor/Eulogist*

Pastor Steven Sargent, *Officiating*

Scroll of Life

Dr. Sherry Ann Cooley Faulk, 75, of Girard, OH, left this life peacefully Thursday, September 17, 2026 surrounded by family, following complications from a short illness.

She was born December 20, 1950 in Ashtabula, OH, the daughter of Thomas C. and Magrea Gilmore Cooley, residing in the area for 8 years, coming from Alliance, OH.

Sherry was employed with the Ohio Department of Education for 40 years, before retiring in 2021 and her last 12 years serving as a Curriculum Consultant for the Stark County Educational Service Center and the Tri-County (ESC). Sherry spent 28 years in the Ashtabula Area County Schools, where she was a Cheer Advisor, Girls Basketball and Volleyball Coach, English Teacher, Vice Principal at Ashtabula High School and then became Principal for West Junior High School. She graduated in 1968 from Ashtabula High School; in 1972 from Kent State University with a B.A. Degree in Education; in 1974 from Youngstown State University with a Master's in Education Administration, receiving a Superintendent Certificate and in 1999 from Newburg Theological Seminary with a Doctorate Degree specializing in Christian Education.

She was a member of the St. James Church of God in Christ, where she taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School and was a Prayer Warrior. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, rodeos, traveling, playing the piano, reading, classic cars, attending all around sporting events, works from African Artists, collectibles, tinkered with new gadgets and ideas and was a fashionista.

Sherry received a Proclamation from the City of Ashtabula County Officials for her years of dedicated service and the NAACP Administrator of the Year Award for her commitment to education.

She married Lawrence Rodman Faulk November 27, 2002.

Besides her husband of Girard, she leaves to mourn, one stepson, Lawrence R. Faulk II of Las Vegas, NV; two stepdaughters, Ms. Maria H. Faulk of Las Vegas, NV and Ms. Fionna M. Faulk of Phoenix, AZ; her mother, Ms. Magrea Cooley of Liberty Township; one brother, Donnie (Brenda) Cooley of Ashtabula; two sisters, Ms. Theresa Clark of Ashtabula and Ms. Debbie Wofford of Madison and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father, Thomas Cooley.

Order of Celebration

Weeping may endure for a night but joy comes in the morning...
Ps 30:5

OFFICIATING CLERGY.....	Pastor Steven Sargent
ORGAN PRELUDE.....	Raymond Bonner
PROCESSION.....	Clergy & Family
PRAYER OF COMFORT	Superintendent Nehemiah Howard
SCRIPTURE READINGS	
Old Testament.....	Elder Melvin Howard, Jr.
New Testament.....	William H. Jordon, Jr.
MUSICAL TRIBUTE.....	Elder Michael Herron
SPECIAL REMARKS.....	Elder Robert Herron, Sr. Bishop David L. Herron, Sr.
FAMILY TRIBUTES.....	<i>Her Husband</i> , Lawrence Faulk, Sr. & Her Children
MUSICAL SELECTION.....	Pastor Barbara Herron Mann
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ CARDS & OBITUARY.....	
WORDS OF COMFORT.....	Mother Oka Westerfield Mother Millie Kirkland District Missionary Linda Herron
SERMONIC SOLO.....	Missionary Dinita Howard
THE WORD OF THE LORD.....	Dr. Melvin L. Howard, Sr.
COMMITTAL.....	Dr. Melvin L. Howard, Sr.
RECESSIONAL.....	
INTERMENT.....	Oakwood Cemetery
REPASS	Community Family Outreach Complex 2165 Highland Ave., Warren, OH 44485



IN LOVING MEMORY



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

THE FAMILY

OF

DR. SHERRY ANN COOLEY FAULK

Would like to express our sincere appreciation for all the love, kindness, prayers and thoughtful gestures bestowed upon us during our time of bereavement.

PALLBEARERS

Mike Wofford, Jr.

Randy Coleman

Brian Howard

David LaWon Howard

Ralph Morris

Stephen Christopher Drake

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Eli Jordan

Elder Alfie Burch

Antwon Howard

Rodger Faulk, Jr.

William Jordon, III

Daniel Herron

Denzel Faulk

Benjamin Coleman

FLORAL BEARERS

Family and Friends

PHILIPPIANS 4:6

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God"



IN LOVING MEMORY

Welcome Home

When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,
But be thankful we had so many good years.
I gave you my love, and you can only guess
How much you've given me in happiness.
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I traveled alone.
So, grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It is only for a while that we must part,
So, treasure the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away, for life goes on.
And if you need me, call, and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All my love around you soft and clear.
And then, when you come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and a **'Welcome Home'**.



Professional Arrangements Entrusted To:

Sterling-McCullough Williams Funeral Home

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