



## Bernita Kay Shird

October 31, 1963 - December 7, 2025

Bernita Kay Shird, born on October 31, 1963, in Carbondale, Illinois, passed away on Sunday, December 7, 2025, at the age of 62 at OSF St Francis. A resident of Peoria, Illinois, Bernita lived a life full of passion & love for her family.

Bernita leaves behind her children: Marques Shird of Madison, Wisconsin, Kenneth (Caitlin) Hines of Peoria, Illinois, Brianna Hines of Peoria, Illinois, & Chris Thompson of Peoria, Illinois.

She is also survived by many cherished grandchildren, including Keondre, Kynia, King (Jerry), Kalil, Brylani, Kennae, Kenneth III, Khi, Khileea, Ken'yon, Kendrixx, & Deandre, as well as two great-grandchildren, Tobias & Kaylynn.

In addition, Bernita is succeeded by her siblings: Rosie Shird, Darlene Shird, Adrian Shird, Maria Armstead, Barbara Armstead, & Greg Armstead.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James Moore & Naomi Shird, her sister, Donna Shird, & her great-grandson, Ke'Merian.

Bernita's memory will be cherished by all who knew her.

Cremation rights have been accorded by Schmidt Haller Burial & Cremation.