

## **Precious Williams, Respected Employee and KSU Alumna, Killed in a fatal auto accident**

It is with great sadness that The Graduate College announces the death of Precious C. Williams, a well-known and loved Senior Graduate Admissions Counselor and KSU alumna. Ms. Williams died on Wednesday, August 30, following a fatal automobile accident.

In 2006, while earning her undergraduate degree at Kennesaw State University, Williams served as a work study student in the Bagwell College of Education. This position led to her first professional position with the college. In 2010, Williams served Bagwell's Education Student Service Center (formerly, TEAC) where she worked until 2016. "Precious was not just her name; it was her lifestyle. She made work more enjoyable, she made meetings more interesting, and she represented KSU as a phenomenal woman," expressed Dr. Maurice Wilson, director of Education Student Services and professor of Elementary and Early Childhood Education.

"Gifted in so many ways, Precious' contributions to the Bagwell College of Education were greatly valued and recognized by all who had the opportunity to work with her," said Dr. Arlinda Eaton, dean of the Bagwell College of Education.

In 2016, Williams' passion for helping students led to her joining the University's Office of Graduate Admissions, providing her with an opportunity to help students across all the University's graduate programs. Her nurturing and caring character were a perfect fit for her new role. In 2017, as a result of her outstanding performance, she was promoted to senior admissions counselor.

"Precious had an uncanny ability to connect with applicants, quickly building a trusting relationship with future students, allowing her to help them make important life choices. Her ability to maintain a calm demeanor, charm, and wit in the most stressful situations was truly remarkable. Our office will cherish her memory and miss her so very much," said Mark Alan Forehand, assistant dean and director of the Office of Graduate Admissions.

Williams was loved and respected by all of her co-workers. After learning about her unfortunate accident, staff in the Office of Graduate Admissions shared fond memories of their relationship with her. An overarching theme was the degree to which everyone considered themselves blessed to have her in their lives.

"Ms. Williams leaves a significant legacy of dedication and service to others - one we will continue to honor as we reflect on our collective loss," said Mike Dishman, dean of The Graduate College.

Williams earned a Bachelor of Arts in English in 2009 and a Master of Arts in Professional Writing in 2013 from Kennesaw State University.

She is survived by her mother, father, and two siblings.

### **Visitation:**

Tuesday, September 5  
Willie Watkins Funeral Home  
4:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
8312 Dallas Hwy., Douglasville, GA. 30134

### **Funeral Services:**

Wednesday, September 6  
2:00 pm  
Golden Memorial United Methodist Church  
6903 Forrest Ave., Douglasville, GA 30134

