



## Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher

August 4, 1949 - February 19, 2023

Earsaline McDowell Witcher, daughter of Odell Bell Kirk and adopted parents Will Ed McDowell and Nellie Bolden McDowell, was born August 4, 1949. She was a faithful member of Shady Grove Independent Church where she served as a Sunday School Teacher and on the Missionary Board for many years until her health failed. Earsaline married Chester Lee Witcher, Sr. on February 11, 1969. Five children were born to this union. She attended South Side School in McNeil, AR where she graduated high school in 1967. After high school she attended Red River Vocational School where she studied computer technology. Later, she attended Southern Arkansas University, in Magnolia AR where she graduated in 1999 with a Bachelor's Degree in Education. She taught at Walker School and Central Elementary School in Magnolia, AR for 15 years where she retired in 2014. She was a devoted & loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and daughter. She had a gift and passion for working patiently with all children. She loved working in her vegetable garden and flower beds and making beautiful quilts. She had a smile that would brighten up anyone in her presence.

Earsaline was preceded in death by her father Will Ed McDowell and mother Nellie Bolden McDowell, sister Erma Christopher, sister Flordene Heard, and brothers Will Christopher and Floyd Christopher.

Earsaline leaves to mourn and celebrate her homegoing; her husband of fifty-

four years, Chester Lee Witcher Sr., and five children, Chester (Dorothy) Witcher, Jr. of Waldo, AR; Jerome (Khadrya) Witcher of

Texarkana, TX; Mary (Lloyd) Worthy of Little Rock, AR; Earsa (Anthony) Jackson of Frisco, TX; and Katrina (Jabbar) Joshua of Frisco, TX; three special children, Chester (Kirstin) Witcher of Waldo, AR, Venetta Witcher of Magnolia, AR and Althea Witcher of Magnolia, AR; brother Eugene (Claudette) Christopher of Mount Holly, AR, sister, Nellie McBride of Stephens, AR; grandchildren; great grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

Celebration of Life services will be held Saturday, March 4th, 2023, at Shady Grove Church in Waldo, Arkansas at 2:00 p.m., with burial to follow at Watts Cemetery in Waldo, under the direction of R.L. Reed Funeral Home, LLC.

Visitation will be Friday, {Mar. 3rd} from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., at R.L. Reed Funeral Home in Magnolia, Arkansas.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, “Masks are Encouraged but Not Required While Attending the Services or During Visitation Hours.” However, wearing masks ensures safety for you and others. Thank you.

## Cemetery Details

### Watts Cemetery

Nevada 8  
Waldo, AR

## Previous Events

### Celebration of Life

MAR 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

Shady Grove Church  
Countyline Rd. 120 104  
Waldo, AR 71770

# Tribute Wall

RW

“ *Praying for peace and comfort for the family. Mrs. Witcher had such a sweet spirit and I enjoyed everytime she came to our clinic.* ”



Regina Kaiser (Social Worker) - April 21, 2023 at 02:15 PM

OJ

“ *Praying for the family sorry for your loss May God Keep You In His Care* ”



olivia johnson - March 04, 2023 at 03:26 AM

BW

*Deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. ❤️*

Brenda Williams - March 04, 2023 at 09:24 PM

CS

*On behalf of our entire family, we would like to thank everyone for their prayers, calls, cards, flowers, visits and support during this difficult time.*

*Chester Lee Witcher, Sr.*

Chester Witcher, Sr. - March 06, 2023 at 12:04 AM

CR

“ 🙏 *Praying for the family*



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**Contreata Robinson** - March 04, 2023 at 01:32 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.*



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March 04, 2023 at 12:31 AM

KI

“ *Chester, We are so very sorry for your loss. Lots of prayers for peace and comfort for you and your family.*

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**Kenny Barker Insurance** - March 03, 2023 at 09:53 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.*



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March 02, 2023 at 07:51 PM

KM

“ *Kenneth & Vernita Montgomery purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.*



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**Kenneth & Vernita Montgomery** - March 02, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.*



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March 01, 2023 at 09:48 PM

IP

“ *My deepest sympathy to her family and friends. We worked together briefly in the 70's. Have always remembered her sweet smile and gentle ways.*

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**Irene Phillips** - March 01, 2023 at 12:36 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.*



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March 01, 2023 at 10:51 AM

RF

“ Rochelle Foster lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Rochelle Foster - February 28, 2023 at 08:44 PM

FJ

“ Fred Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Fred Johnson - February 28, 2023 at 05:31 PM

JF

“ James, Marta Jackson and Jackson family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.



James, Marta Jackson and Jackson family - February 28, 2023 at 11:53 AM

WA

“ Wanda Alexander lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Wanda Alexander - February 27, 2023 at 09:09 PM

LI

“ *Lisa Irvin-Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Lisa Irvin-Sanders** - February 27, 2023 at 12:21 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.*



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February 26, 2023 at 10:22 PM

MM

“ *Marvin Mallory lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Marvin Mallory** - February 26, 2023 at 05:30 PM

SC

“ *Sharon Cole lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Sharon Cole** - February 25, 2023 at 04:16 PM

DE

“ *My condolences to the Witcher family. You are in my thoughts and prayers. They are neighbors of mine, and were instrumental in getting a lot of work done on the Watts Cemetery.*  
*Dixie (Beasley) Edington*

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**Dixie Edington** - February 25, 2023 at 12:47 AM



“ *Sending much love and prayers fam.*



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**Angela Wesley** - February 24, 2023 at 02:27 PM

CW

*Sending my condolences to my cousin Chester Sr. and his family may God be with you.*

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**Charles Witcher** - February 24, 2023 at 10:37 PM

S(

“ *Shirley Inkton (Rev.) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Shirley Inkton (Rev.)** - February 24, 2023 at 06:00 AM

GP

“ *Such a sweet lady. Prayers for her family.*

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**Ginger Payne** - February 23, 2023 at 05:27 PM

MB

“ *Condolences to the family. We grew up together less than a mile from each other. She was always the voice of reason with a smile on her face, and had a beautiful soul.*

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**Mary Ann Brown** - February 23, 2023 at 05:21 PM

DF

“ *David & Shirley Fielding lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**David & Shirley Fielding** - February 23, 2023 at 09:54 AM

CF

“ *Remembering when we rode the school bus to Southside. She would always have a healthy breakfast prepared by her grandparents to eat. That smile has always been her trade mark. Peace, comfort, and blessings to her family. Colleen Ferguson - Southside class of 1968.*

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**Colleen Ferguson** - February 23, 2023 at 07:56 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.*



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February 22, 2023 at 09:20 PM

MW

“ *Mrs. Earsaline was such a sweet lady. I will remember her kindness and sweet smile.*

Michael & Sarah Williams - February 22, 2023 at 07:07 PM

NP

“ *Nellie Paden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



Nellie Paden - February 22, 2023 at 02:50 PM

GH

“ *Gwendolyn Hardwell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



Gwendolyn Hardwell - February 22, 2023 at 01:16 PM

BS

“ *To the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell-Witcher... May the wonderful memories of her always bring you peace, comfort and strength. Betty R. Shaw~Class of 1967.*

Betty R. Shaw - February 22, 2023 at 11:05 AM

AC

“ April Colvin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



April Colvin - February 22, 2023 at 07:41 AM

MC

“ I would like to send a candle, she was a good friend of my late sister Bertha Curry. You have my deepest sympathy!



Mae Curry - February 22, 2023 at 05:58 AM

TH

“ The Handie's lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



The Handie's - February 21, 2023 at 10:36 PM

EM

“ My deepest condolences to the Witcher family! Praying for God's embrace, and for peace.



Esther Murray - February 21, 2023 at 08:49 PM

RF

*My deepest condolences to the Witcher family... praying for God embrace and for peace*

**Renaefinks** - February 21, 2023 at 09:17 PM

LI

“ *Lisa Irvin-Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



**Lisa Irvin-Sanders** - February 21, 2023 at 08:47 PM

ER

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to Mrs. Earsaline Witcher Family. May God be with the family and give them strength during this difficult time.*

**Ednarene Rodgers** - February 21, 2023 at 08:25 PM

ER

“ *Ednarene Rodgers lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



**Ednarene Rodgers** - February 21, 2023 at 08:12 PM

BB

“ *Becky Biddle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



Becky Biddle - February 21, 2023 at 07:25 PM

VS

“ *Vanessa Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



Vanessa Shaw - February 21, 2023 at 06:24 PM

LF

“ *Lucy Gantt Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



Lucy Gantt Family - February 21, 2023 at 04:29 PM

TF

“ *The Gantt Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



The Gantt Family - February 21, 2023 at 04:28 PM

DT

“ Darel Tidwell purchased the Simply Elegant Spat  
hiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Earsaline  
McDowell Witcher.



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**Darel Tidwell** - February 21, 2023 at 04:25 PM

AW

“ Such a beautiful woman with a beautiful spirit. Please know that you  
all are in our prayers. I pray that God grants you peace and comfort  
during this trying time.

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**Alisha Witcher-Howell** - February 21, 2023 at 03:55 PM

AW

“ Alisha Witcher-Howell lit a candle in memory  
of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



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**Alisha Witcher-Howell** - February 21, 2023 at 03:52 PM

BH

“ PRAYERS FOT THE WITCHER FAMILY YOU  
ALL HAVE MY HEARTFELT  
CONDOLENCES SHE WAS SUCH A  
BEAUTIFUL LADY WITH A SWEET  
PERSONALITY R I L



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**Barbara Heard** - February 21, 2023 at 02:45 PM

KG

“ *Keosha Gulley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Keosha Gulley** - February 21, 2023 at 02:26 PM

SM

“ *Sincere Condolence to the Witcher Family. May God continue to keep you in His loving care.*

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**Sally Muldrow** - February 21, 2023 at 02:24 PM

LB

“ *Loretta Beck sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Loretta Beck** - February 21, 2023 at 01:47 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher.*



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February 21, 2023 at 12:11 PM

BR

“ *Katrina, my condolences to you and your family. May God strengthen and comfort you all during this difficult time.*



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**Bertha Randolph-Stacker** - February 21, 2023 at 12:06 PM

MW

“ *Mike & Sarah Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Mike & Sarah Williams** - February 21, 2023 at 10:54 AM

EH

“ *Earnestine Howell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Earnestine Howell** - February 21, 2023 at 02:51 AM

HF

“ *Hazel Smith Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Hazel Smith Family** - February 21, 2023 at 01:22 AM

RE

“ Robin Ellis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



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**Robin Ellis** - February 21, 2023 at 12:29 AM

SE

“ Shelly Easter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



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**Shelly Easter** - February 21, 2023 at 12:04 AM

LF

“ Linda Fantroy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



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**Linda Fantroy** - February 20, 2023 at 10:27 PM

GH

“ Gwendolyn Hardwell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



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**Gwendolyn Hardwell** - February 20, 2023 at 10:08 PM

DP

“ Donna Payne lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Donna Payne - February 20, 2023 at 10:08 PM



“ Shavone Aubrey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Shavone Aubrey - February 20, 2023 at 08:33 PM

BW

“ Sister Witcher was such a pleasant person at all times. She had a radiant smile. God bless and keep you is our prayer. Billy and Patricia Williams



Billy and Patricia Williams - February 20, 2023 at 07:45 PM

MC

“ Michael/Mary Clayton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Michael/Mary Clayton - February 20, 2023 at 07:29 PM

VM

“ Prayers and condolences to the family



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**Velma Madison** - February 20, 2023 at 06:42 PM

CG

*I am so sorry for your lost . My prayers will be with you.?She was such a beautiful person*

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**Carrie Gilmire** - February 20, 2023 at 08:15 PM

MP

“ *Mary S. Pickings lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Mary S. Pickings** - February 20, 2023 at 05:11 PM

RM

“ *Sorry for your loss Robert &Wanda Muldrow*

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**Robert Muldrow/Wanda Muldrow** - February 20, 2023 at 04:25 PM

SP

“ *Sandra Page sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Sandra Page** - February 20, 2023 at 04:10 PM

SP

“ *Sandra Page lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Sandra Page** - February 20, 2023 at 04:10 PM

AS

“ *Alfredia Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Alfredia Smith** - February 20, 2023 at 03:28 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. May God strengthen and comfort you during this time.*

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**Tracy Jackson-Doss** - February 20, 2023 at 01:49 PM

ER

“ *Edna Rowden sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Edna Rowden** - February 20, 2023 at 11:20 AM

ER

“ *Edna Rowden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Edna Rowden** - February 20, 2023 at 11:20 AM

LL

“ *Laura Loudermill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Laura Loudermill** - February 20, 2023 at 11:18 AM

TE

“ *Tearee Easter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Tearee Easter** - February 20, 2023 at 10:44 AM



“ *Carla Dockery-Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Carla Dockery-Sanders** - February 20, 2023 at 09:49 AM

SM

“ You all have my prayer be strong family ❤️  
you all



SHARON MOORE - February 20, 2023 at 09:39 AM

DM

“ Douglas And Cassandra Moss lit a candle in  
memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Douglas and Cassandra Moss - February 20, 2023 at 09:09 AM

TJ

“ Tonya Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Tonya Johnson - February 20, 2023 at 08:38 AM

NS

“ Norrissa Sharp sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Norrissa Sharp - February 20, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Dearlean Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Dearlean Hughes** - February 20, 2023 at 08:27 AM



“ *Ramona Fears sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Ramona Fears** - February 20, 2023 at 05:49 AM



“ *Ramona Fears lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Ramona Fears** - February 20, 2023 at 05:48 AM



“ *Lora Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher*



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**Lora Thomas** - February 20, 2023 at 02:12 AM

LB

“ Loretta Beck lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Loretta Beck - February 20, 2023 at 02:04 AM

LB

“ Loretta Beck sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Loretta Beck - February 20, 2023 at 02:03 AM

MW

“ Mike And Sarah Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Mike and Sarah Williams - February 19, 2023 at 11:30 PM

TS

“ Teresa Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



Teresa Smith - February 19, 2023 at 11:23 PM

HJ

“ I am sorry for your loss. Earsaline always had that beautiful smile each time I would see her. May God give the family comfort during this time of bereavement.  
*Hellen Jones and Family*

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**Hellen Jones** - February 19, 2023 at 11:09 PM

LF

“ Lyndell Franklin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



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**Lyndell Franklin** - February 19, 2023 at 11:07 PM

LW

“ Lakesha Witcher lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



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**Lakesha Witcher** - February 19, 2023 at 11:04 PM

KH

“ Kim Howell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsaline McDowell Witcher



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**Kim Howell** - February 19, 2023 at 10:56 PM