



## A.J. Pointer

July 5, 1929 - April 23, 2008

POINTER, Dr. A.J. - Age 78, went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, April 23, 2008 at Brian's House. Memorial Service 6PM-9PM Monday, April 28, 2008 at Metropolitan Baptist Tabernacle, 930 Myrtle Ave., Rev. Frank Raines, III presiding. Family hour 11AM Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at Metropolitan Baptist Tabernacle, with funeral service commencing at 12Noon, Pastor J.S. Hopkins officiating, Pastor Henry L. Fuller, Jr. presiding. Interment Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, G-9506 N. Dort Hwy. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11AM Tuesday. Dr. Pointer will lie in state in the Sanctuary of Metropolitan Baptist Tabernacle, and may be viewed from 12Noon-6PM Monday with Memorial Service from 6PM-9PM. "If I can help somebody as I pass along, if I can cheer somebody with a word or song, then my living shall not be in vain." Pastor A. J. Pointer was born July 5, 1929 in Blytheville, Arkansas, the son of Eugene and Aletha Pointer. He accepted Christ at the age of 9 and was baptized at New Hope Baptist Church in Blytheville. He met and married Annie M. Gathright, a union that lasted over 50 years. To this union were born two children, PJ and Joan. He came to Flint in 1955 and worked for General Motors for 13 years, where he was a tool and die maker. He accepted the ministerial call in 1959 at the St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church under Dr. R. R. Gordon. In 1964, he was called to serve as Administrative Assistant to Dr. S. D. Edwards at Metropolitan Baptist Tabernacle, and in May 1967 became Shepherd of Metropolitan, where he served 41 years. He leaves to cherish precious memories: son, PJ (Glenda)

Pointer; 2 daughters, Joan Pointer, all of Flint, and Barbara Polk; grandchildren, Brian and Dionne Wilson, all of Milwaukee, WI, Petryce (Ronnie) English of Jacksonville, FL, Demark and Randall Pointer of Flint; great grandchildren, Ronnie Jr., Jackie, Ronecia and Jaquan of Jacksonville, FL, Kayla, Donovan and Nicholas of Flint, Kamara, Ke'Mal and Jamison of Milwaukee, WI; 2 sisters-in-law, Dorothy (Willie) Carter and Cleo Turner of South Bend, IN; special sister, Ludell Blanks of Mt. Morris, MI; special adopted daughter, Bertha Moses of Flint; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Pastor Pointer was preceded in death by his wife, Annie Mae Pointer; parents, Eugene and Aletha Pointer; grandson, De'Ron Pointer; brother, Johnny Pointer. The family wishes to express special thanks to our Metropolitan Church family for all of their prayers, visits, cards, calls, and other acts of kindness. Special thanks also to Dr. S. Dismond, Dr. E. Saeed, Dr. R. Danish, Hurley Medical Center 9th floor staff, and the staff of Brian's House, Davison, MI.

# Tribute Wall



“ *A.J. Pointer*

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“ *My prayers are with the family and the Metropolitan Baptist  
Tabernacle Family during this time of transition.*

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**A. Jeffrey LaValley** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ TO THE POINTER FAMILY

*I DID NOT KNOW REV POINTER PERSONALLY BUT HE TOUCHED QUITE A FEW PEOPLE THAT I KNOW. INCLUDING MY PASTOR DR MAJOR STEWART AS WELL AS SOME OF MY GETHSEMANE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILY. I KNOW FOR SURE THAT HE TOUCHED MY HUSBAND CHARLES.*

*HE WENT TO VISIT DR POINTER IN HIS LAST DAYS AND PRAYED WITH AND FOR HIM.*

*HE WILL TRULY BE MISSED. ALL OF THE TIMES I MET HIM HE WAS FULL OF LIFE EVEN WHEN HE WAS NOT FEELING WELL*

*REST IN PEACE DR POINTER. YOU CAN SPREAD YOUR WINGS AND FLY. YOU CAN WALK AROUND HEAVEN ALL DAY.*

*FOR THE FAMILY JUST HOLD ON TO GODS UNCHANGING HAND. YOU WILL SEE HIM AGAIN ONE DAY*

*GOD BLESS YOU ALL*

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**Alvita Jackson** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ *I AM TRULY SADDEN BY THE LOST OF DR A.J. POINTER. MY FAMILY SPENT MANY YEARS IN METROPOLITAN. JOAN,PJ AND FAMILY MY HEART GOES OUT TO YOU ALL.*

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**JOY (FAIR) OVERTON** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *In honor of your love one. Moments of beauty are never quite forgotten...memories live on. May his life be honored by all he loved. May his memory be cherished for all he gave. May your heart be comforted by all you shared. May beautiful memories of a life lived to its fullest linger and the shadow of pain be lessened each passing day.*

*He will be deeply missed, a great man, mentor, friend.*

*With deepest sympathy.*

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**Peggy Stribling** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ *It was always a pleasure to have your father come and join us at Second Baptist of Ypsilanti. He was a good friend to my father, Rev. Booker T. Hopkins and he certainly was an uplifting spirit to him after my mother passed away. Your father always had a smile on his face when he came to preach here and I always found him to be warm, approachable and encouraging. May God keep you in his care in this time of bereavement.*

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**Anita Hopkins** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ *joan, pj.*

*rev.pointer meant more to me then just being my pastor. he truly was like a grandfather to me. I LOVED HIM VERY MUCH. he was a great help to me in his teaching, i learned alot with his help.he was a great leader and will be missed more then i can put in words. GOD BLESS YOU ALL.and i will keep you in my prayers always.*

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**antionette hardy** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ I have very fond memories of Rev. Pointer as a child who grew up at Metropolitan. He was always kind to me and my family and was very supportive of me when I left to attend college. I had the opportunity to talk with him for about 20 minutes a little over a year ago at Ms. Delores Todd's internment. He was sitting and waiting for the service to start and I had the pleasure of talking and laughing with him. I will always remember him as tall, strong and a figure of authority and power who had a wonderful impact on my young life. He will be missed.

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Mary Jean (Thompson) Henley - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ What more can be said other than Dr. Pointer was a Giant to the Flint Community he will be greatly missed, but the good news is the Storm don't last always remember the good times and continue to press toward the mark of the high calling.

You have been faithful over a few things, come on up a little higher and I will make you ruler over many.

God Bless you all,  
Red Dot (Chrishonda)

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Chrishonda M Starks - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Love to You Joan and the rest of the family, You are in my prayers.

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DeLano - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ *Pator Pointer,*

*Rest in peace. You will be missed.*

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**Gloria Lang** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *GOD bless The family of Dr.A.J.Pointer and the entire Metropolitan Church Family. May GOD Bless you all.*

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**Jennifer Jeneen Sanders** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ *My prayers are with you and the church family may God richly bless you all.*

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**Rev.Dexter Thomas** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *My big Brother was the man that taught me how to love. Taught me about Jesus Christ who saved me and then He Baptised me in the name of Jesus. This will always be remembered. I will live life remembering the many kind acts that Rev. Pointer showed me and my family. I pray that God will be everything to Rev. Pointers children. what they need and when they need it.*

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**Sylvia J. Love** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ *We will always love you as our family just as well as our church family. Pastor will be truly missed.*

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**Ray & Leola Bond & Family** - April 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM