Mr. Alfred Thornton

August 12, 1931 - December 19, 2014

THORNTON, Mr. Alfred - Age 83, passed away Friday, December 19, 2014 at Willowbrook Manor. Family hour 9 a.m. Saturday, December 27, 2014 at Greater Holy Temple C.O.G.I.C., 6702 N. Dort Hwy., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Bishop Roger L. Jones, Sr., officiating. Interment Gracelawn Community Cemetery, G-5710 N. Saginaw St. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10 a.m. Saturday. Mr. Thornton will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12 noon- 8 p.m. Friday with family present from 4-6 p.m.

Mr. Alfred Thornton was born August 12, 1931 in Belzoni, Mississippi the son of Harvey M. and Beatrice (Watts) Thornton. The family relocated to Peoria, Illinois, where he met and married Claudette T. Claudin producing James Paul. Mr. Thornton settled in Flint, Michigan in 1952 and worked for AC Spark Plugs, where he retired after 32 years. In a later marriage to Annie M. Graham, they were blessed to have 7 children. Alfred turned his life over to Christ at an early age. He became a lifelong member of Greater Holy Temple. He loved his family, church family, traveling and going on fishing trips.

Mr. Alfred Thornton leaves to cherish his memory: 8 children, James Paul Thornton of Tinely, Park, IL, AnnRene' Thornton and companion, Willie Dean of Flint, Yolanda Hall of Arlington, TX, Anthony Wayne Thornton, Cynthia

Shepherd of Flint, Althea (Timothy) Steward of Ypsilanti, MI, Alexnader (Lenny) Thornton, Brenda Dillard and Annette Thornton; their beloved mother, Annie M. Thornton Terrell of Burton, MI; 12 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Lucy Alexander and Lena Qualls of Peoria, IL; 2 brothers, Milton Thornton and Harvey Thornton; mother-in-law, Corean Graham; sisters-in-law, Helen Williams of Meridian, MS, Rachel Thornton of Peoria, IL and Rose Graham of Hattiesburg, MS; 2 brothers-in-law, Earl Graham of Flint, Randy, Michael and Eddie Graham, all of Meridian, MS; a host of other relatives and friends.

Mr. Thornton was preceded in death by his son, Alvin James Thornton; granddaughter, Ebonie Baldwin; parents; brothers, J.W., Linell, Joseph and Charles Thornton; sisters, Johnnie B. Eppinger and Gladys Brown.

The family would like to express special thanks to Heritage Manor, Willowbrook Manor, McLaren-Flint and Greater Holy Temple Church family.

Cemetery Details

Gracelawn Cemetery

5710 N. Saginaw St.
Flint, MI 48505

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC **26**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Inc., Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-6666
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Family hour

DEC **27**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Greater Holy Temple C.O.G.I.C.
6702 N. Dort Hwy
Flint, MI

Service

DEC **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

Mr. Alfred Thornton

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM

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Angela Price - December 04, 2015 at 11:47 AM

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To Tony and the rest of the Thornton family: me and my siblings were sad to hear that "Al" passed. Too many great memories to share, but you all have our prayers and deepest sympathy

Children of Cherrie - December 28, 2014 at 03:31 PM

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Thank you on the behalf of the Thornton family...we appreciate your thoughts and prayers

Angela Price - November 27, 2015 at 10:52 PM

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Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - December 26, 2014 at 01:29 PM

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Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - December 24, 2014 at 01:46 PM

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I will truely miss my grandad I pray that god be with us during this tough time may you rest in peace your in a better place. Love Angel

Angel Thornton - December 23, 2014 at 11:50 AM

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Tina Marie Meeks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Alfred Thornton

Tina Marie Meeks - December 21, 2014 at 01:36 PM

EF

I have nothing but fond memories of Deacon Thornton. He was peaceful, kind, and every one knew him for how well dressed he was. I pray for the Thornton family's strength and for them to know he was well respected at Greater Holy Temple. This sorrow shall pass!

Elder Theodore Files - December 20, 2014 at 10:02 AM