



## Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell

November 29, 1936 - April 12, 2024

RIDGELL, Mrs. Annie Jean - Age 87, passed away Friday, April 12, 2024, at Wellbridge of Grand Blanc. Family hour 10:00 AM Friday, April 19, 2024, from Vernon Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 5802 Dupont St., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, 4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Friday. Mrs. Ridgell will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM Thursday. Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell was born on April 10, 1937 to Frank and Bamma Harris in Cornersville, Arkansas. She graduated from Lincoln High School in Star City in 1956, where she was a star player on the girls basketball team. At a young age, she accepted Christ as her savior at Strangers Rest AME Church.

Annie Jean moved to Michigan and married Earl Ridgell, whom she knew from childhood. They had five children together. Annie Jean worked in the dietary department at Flint General Hospital and later at St. Joseph Hospital. She and Earl worked together to provide for their children and make sure that they received an education and found good jobs. Annie Jean began attending Vernon Chapel AME Church and was an active member for nearly 60 years. She and Earl moved to Grand Blanc and she continued to live in their home after he passed away.

Annie Jean's pride and joy was her family. She liked nothing more than to have her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren around her. Her

idea of a great time was having her family at the house, including her brothers and sisters and cousins and nieces and nephews. If a few friends were there, too, she loved it even more. She had many, many dear friends whom she kept forever. Some were childhood friends from Arkansas, some were friends she made at work, some were neighbors, some were friends from church. Once you became her friend, you were a part of her life. And if Annie Jean couldn't have you in her presence, the occasional long telephone call was a suitable substitute. She always had lots of questions to ask and lots of things to laugh about with you.

Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell departed this life into eternal rest on April 12, 2024, at the age of 87. She leaves to cherish her memories four children: her son, Dr. Cornal Ridgell (Natasha) of Southfield; her daughters Tramell Alexander (Michael) of Evanston, IL, Cheryl Ridgell and Marsalette Ridgell, both of Grand Blanc. She leaves seven grandchildren: Adrienne Alexander (Alex Villaverde) of Chicago, IL, Anthony Alexander of Los Angeles CA, C.J. Ridgell of Farmington Hills, Danielle Thompson (Owen) of Battle Creek who was raised by her grandparents, Symone Ridgell of Los Angeles, CA, Simonte King of Flint, and Simeon King of Grand Blanc. She also leaves five great-grandchildren: Caridad, Esperanza, and Mercedes Alexander Villaverde of Chicago, IL; Olivia Thompson of Battle Creek and Cameron King of Flint. Annie also is survived by her brother James Harris (Bernestine) of Clio and sister Elizabeth Harris of Lincolnwood, IL; sisters-in-law Leola Harris of Holly, Alice Harris of Romulus, and Verlenda Peeples-Harris of Monticello, AR; brother-in-law Chris Ridgell of West Bloomfield, and brothers-in-law Billy Ray (Dantanese) Ridgell, Bommie Ridgell, and Dwight Ridgell, all of Monticello, AR; stepson Earl Nathaniel Ridgell of Arkadelphia, AR; special cousin Rozene Handley of Flint, son-in-law Coatsey Ellison of Jonesboro, GA, and a host of other relatives and dear friends.

Mrs. Ridgell was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Earl Ridgell; her daughter, Rogena Ellison; her parents, Frank and Bamma Harris; sisters Carrie, Clara, Anna Bernice, and Eura Lee; and brothers O.V., Johnnie Lee,

Howard, Walter, Frank Jr. Lawrence, Marion "Buster", Arthur, George,  
Thomas, Charles, Fred, and Waymond.

Mrs. Ridgell's funeral service will be livestreamed at [Vernonchapelchurch.com](http://Vernonchapelchurch.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

APR **18**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint  
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.  
Flint, MI 48505  
(810) 789-MOON (6666)  
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com  
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

## Family hour

APR **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Vernon Chapel AME Church  
5802 Dupont St.  
Flint, MI

## Funeral Service

APR **19**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Vernon Chapel AME Church  
5802 Dupont St.  
Flint, MI

# Tribute Wall

VH

“ *Vaness Horne lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



Vaness Horne - April 20, 2024 at 07:03 AM

FH

“ *Annie was a wonderful lady whom I worked with and shared the Flint General Reunions brunches with. Will miss her very much. Condolences to her family.*

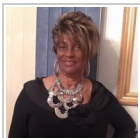


Freda Hayes - April 19, 2024 at 04:08 PM

LB

“ *I am Praying for the family and those blessed while celebrating Aunt Ana Jean's beautiful life! She was a blessed person and blessed the lives of so many. I feel safe saying her soul rests with Jesus! Let's try to be workers like she was and help her testimony be strong in the Lord! Lisa Lenore Harris Barnes*

Lisa Harris - Barnes - April 19, 2024 at 11:53 AM



“ *Lula Lewis lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



Lula Lewis - April 19, 2024 at 07:45 AM

VG

“ *Vivian Green-Moore lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



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**Vivian Annette Green-Moore** - April 19, 2024 at 06:47 AM

MS

“ *Our sincere condolences to the Ridgell, Harris, and the family of Annie Jean. We will continue to keep you in our PRAYERS. GOD BLESS.*



*Benny & Mae Vern Spence*

*April Harris*

*Katina Woods & Monty Jr.*

*Marietta GA.*

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**Mae Vern Spence** - April 19, 2024 at 05:45 AM

RT

“ *Randolph Tolbert lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



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**Randolph Tolbert** - April 18, 2024 at 08:28 PM



“ *Lena Marshall and family wishes to extend their deepest condolences to the family of Annie Ridgell. May God keep every one of you and surround you with His love and peace. Love always*



Valerie Marshall - April 18, 2024 at 05:53 PM



“ *Katherine Callaway lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



Katherine Callaway - April 18, 2024 at 05:35 PM



“ *Maggie Williams lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



Maggie Williams - April 18, 2024 at 03:57 PM



“ *Marva McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



Marva McDaniel - April 18, 2024 at 03:02 PM

BR

“ *Bommie Ridgell purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.*



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**Bommie Ridgell** - April 18, 2024 at 02:38 PM

VH

“ *I will forever hold sweet memories and conversations shared with my Sister-in-law in my heart. I keep hearing her soft voice and infectious laugh. She will be greatly missed by EVERYONE who knew and loved her. May God keep her in his arms.*

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**Verlenda Harris** - April 18, 2024 at 12:21 PM

GH

“ *Gary Handley lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



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**Gary Handley** - April 18, 2024 at 11:23 AM

BF

“ *Brenda Fluker sent a virtual gift in memory of Annie Ridgell*



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**Brenda Fluker** - April 18, 2024 at 11:22 AM

BB

“ Sending my sincere sympathy to the entire family. Prayers. Bonnie Bowman



Bonnie Bowman - April 18, 2024 at 10:42 AM

MT

“ Marshall & Bev Tolbert lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell



Marshall & Bev Tolbert - April 18, 2024 at 08:29 AM

TR

“ The Allen, Robert, Ann, Alysia & Ranila. purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.



The Allen, Robert, Ann, Alysia & Ranila. - April 18, 2024 at 12:26 AM

TR

“ The Allen, Robert, Ann, Alysia & Ranila. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.

The Allen, Robert, Ann, Alysia & Ranila. - April 18, 2024 at 12:26 AM

MF

“ *Marve Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



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**Marve Family** - April 17, 2024 at 11:58 PM

VS

“ *Vera Styles lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



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**Vera styles** - April 17, 2024 at 05:51 PM

TF

“ *The Daniels Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.*



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**The Daniels Family** - April 17, 2024 at 05:06 PM

GJ

“ *Gloria Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



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**Gloria Jackson** - April 17, 2024 at 04:12 PM

MS

“ *Mable Shields lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



Mable Shields - April 17, 2024 at 01:48 PM

MF

“ *Marsha Brown (Skieegie) & Family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.*



Marsha Brown (Skieegie) & Family - April 17, 2024 at 09:56 AM

WS

“ *My heartfelt sympathy and prayers go out to the "entire" family of Mrs. Annie "Ann" Ridgell. It was just about a week ago that I learned of the direness of her illness. I am so-o sorry, there was no time for even a card before she had gone home. God's promises are "Yes" and "Amen!" She had a sweet, sweet spirit which always lead to a beautiful smile. Parting is such sweet sorrow, but we shall say goodnight 'til it be morrow! I'll see you in the morning, sister! Family, "The Lord bless you and keep you...and give you peace,"- Numbers 6:24-26 Willene and Charles Sumpter & Family ( Vernon Chapel )*



Willene Sumpter - April 17, 2024 at 06:02 AM

CY

*Condolences to the entire family of Mother Ridgell, I had the opportunity to share lovely memories with her , she is my neighbor and more important we shared a special bond , she always knew if there were anything she needed I was often present to assist her. She will be missed dearly as she hold a special place in my heart. Rest mother Ridgell your now in the arms of Jesus, who promises nothing but joy. ❤️*

**Carol Young** - April 17, 2024 at 09:05 PM



*Condolences to the family of Mother Annie Jean Ridgell, she was a nice lady, R.I.P.*

**Lula Lewis** - April 19, 2024 at 07:43 AM

JD

“ *Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



**Jean Durrett** - April 17, 2024 at 01:50 AM

RW

“ *Regina Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



**Regina Williams** - April 17, 2024 at 12:46 AM

DH

“ Deborah A Howard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell



Deborah A Howard - April 16, 2024 at 06:57 PM

SM

“ To the family of Mother Annie Ridgell... may the memories of her help heal the void n heaviness of your hearts... may God's prayers be a blessing to you !!❤️



Shirley Miller - April 16, 2024 at 05:49 PM

TF

“ The Watson Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.

The Watson Family - April 16, 2024 at 03:29 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.



April 16, 2024 at 03:29 PM

KC

“ *Kim Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



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**Kim E. Carpenter** - April 16, 2024 at 02:13 PM

VN

“ *Veronica Nickens lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



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**Veronica Nickens** - April 16, 2024 at 02:05 PM

VJ

“ *Vivian Johnson-McMillian lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



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**Vivian Johnson-McMillian** - April 16, 2024 at 02:05 PM

AH

“ *Adell Harris-Eldridge lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



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**Adell R. Harris-Eldridge** - April 16, 2024 at 07:11 AM

GR

“ *Glynis Rice lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



Glynis Rice - April 15, 2024 at 08:49 PM

GS

“ *Gary Ridgell & Sons planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.*

Gary Ridgell & Sons - April 15, 2024 at 08:23 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.*



April 15, 2024 at 08:23 PM



“ *Tonya Allen lit a candle in memory of Annie Ridgell*



Tonya Allen - April 15, 2024 at 07:06 PM

DT

“ *My Deepest Sympathy To All Her Children  
Whom I Use To Babysit* 🙏🙏🙏



**Dessie Taylor** - April 15, 2024 at 07:02 PM

MB

“ *Monika Brandon lit a candle in memory of  
Annie Ridgell*



**Monika F Brandon** - April 15, 2024 at 05:36 PM



“ *Sheila Johnson-Toins lit a candle in memory  
of Annie Ridgell*



**Sheila Johnson-Toins** - April 15, 2024 at 04:38 PM

FH

“ *Faye Harris lit a candle in memory of Annie  
Ridgell*



**Faye Harris** - April 15, 2024 at 04:19 PM

MS

“ *The shared family. You have a deepest heart felt warm sympathy*

ms johnnie sharp - April 15, 2024 at 12:13 PM

RS

“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Mrs. Annie Ridgell. Her kind and gentle spirit was an inspiration.*

Reta Stanley - April 15, 2024 at 08:48 AM

JL

“ *J.R. and Linda planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Annie Ridgell.*

J.R. and Linda - April 15, 2024 at 07:40 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell.*



April 15, 2024 at 07:40 AM

BB

“ *Belinda Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



Belinda Brown - April 14, 2024 at 06:55 PM

TM

“ Theresa Miller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell



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**Theresa Miller** - April 14, 2024 at 10:11 AM

TS

“ Trina Stewart lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell



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**Trina Stewart** - April 14, 2024 at 12:02 AM

DR

“ Debra Harris Ruffin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell



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**Debra Harris Ruffin** - April 13, 2024 at 08:51 PM

BA

“ Barbara lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell



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**Barbara** - April 13, 2024 at 03:45 PM

DW

“ *Diane Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



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**Diane Williams** - April 13, 2024 at 02:18 PM



“ *Our sincere condolences to the Ridgell family* ❤️👤👩  
*Greg & Michelle Brock*

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**Michelle Bowie Brock** - April 13, 2024 at 11:26 AM



“ *Our sincere condolences to the Rigell family* 👤👩  
*Greg & Michelle Brock*

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**Michelle Bowie Brock** - April 13, 2024 at 11:22 AM

JB

“ *James And Lisa Blakley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell*



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**James and Lisa Blakley** - April 13, 2024 at 09:08 AM

FT

“ *Sympathy to Mrs. Ridgell’s family. I knew her for many years at the hospitals, going back decades. She was always calm, kind and pleasant.*

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**Fred Tarver** - April 13, 2024 at 06:34 AM

ER

“ Mrs. Annie Ridgell, s call home for her eternal reward and rest leaves a void in the hearts and presence of all who had the opportunity to know her. Her cheerfulness will be missed above all. Rest in eternal peace Ann it was a pleasure to have known you.



Edna M, Rubin - April 13, 2024 at 03:20 AM

WL

“ Welton And Carolyn Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Jean Ridgell



Welton and Carolyn Lewis - April 12, 2024 at 09:16 PM

VC

“ To the family of Sis. Annie Ridgell, It is with a Heavy ❤️ Heart that this message is being sent to you.. Sis. Annie Ridgell has gone Home to be with the Lord in Heaven.. She will be missed by everyone that has had the pleasure of knowing her... May the Peace, and Comfort of our Lord Jesus Christ sustain you during this difficult time.. Prayerfully Sent Sis. Merdice & Bro. Van Coleman Vernon Chapel Church



Van & Merdice Coleman - April 12, 2024 at 07:59 PM

DR

Rest in Heaven Dear Auntie. No more pain and suffering. You're with Uncle Earl, Gena and all our ancestors. You will be truly missed. We love you

Debra Harris Ruffin - April 13, 2024 at 10:23 AM

SH

“ *Sonia Harris lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Annie Jean Ridgell*



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**Sonia Harris** - April 12, 2024 at 06:33 PM