



Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson

November 11, 1943 - February 11, 2026

HENDERSON, Mrs. Ardella - Age 82, passed away Wednesday, February 11, 2026, in Detroit, MI. Family Hour 10:00 AM Saturday, February 28, 2026, from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with Memorial Service commencing at 11:00 AM. There will not be a public viewing.

Ardella Mary Henderson (Hawthorne) was born in Flat Creek, Alabama on November 11, 1943. Ardella graduated Salutatorian from Parker High School in 1961, in Birmingham, Alabama and had many stories to tell about this turbulent time in American History.

Ardella studied nursing at Mott Community College in the 1970's, she passed her love for education to her children Stephanie M. Gee (Henderson), Sonya K. Cook (Henderson). Ardella was a retiree of General Motors Corporation after 30 years, where she served in Quality Control until her retirement in 2012. Ardella served as part of local Region IC of the United Auto Workers, was an Eastern Star and was affiliated with Unity Church of Flint, MI and Unity Temple of Detroit, MI.

In 1962, Ardella moved to Flint, MI and married James P. Henderson. This union produced 2 daughters Stephanie and Sonya. Ardella was married to Mr. Henderson until his death in 1993. Ardella loved her family and friends and enjoyed long conversations and spending time with her children,

grandchildren, great grandchildren, and friends. Ardella was a bright spirit to all who knew her and was loved by many.

Ardella was the daughter of Flossie M. Jenkins and Samuel Hawthorne.

Ardella Henderson was preceded in death by her beloved husband, James P. Henderson; mother, Flossie M. Jenkins; sisters, Shirley (Hosey) Smoot and Edna Foster; brothers, Ezra Foster and Johnny Jenkins; grandmother, Hattie Griffin; grandfather, John Griffin; aunts, Mary L. Watson, Ruby (Griffin) and Liz (Griffin); uncles, Albert Griffin, O.C. Griffin and John Griffin; and cousin, Shirley Diane Smith.

Ardella leaves to mourn her loss: daughters, Stephanie Gee (Henderson) and Sonya Cook (Henderson); grandchildren, Tawny A. Cook, Kennady V. J. Gee and Khadi Badiane; great- grandchildren, Bryce Cook-Jones, Brielle Cook-Jones, Brent Cook-Jones, Braden Cook-Jones, Breylei Cook, Benjamin Cook, and Braxton Cook; her beloved cousin/brother, Bretford Griffin; cousin/sister, Debra Watson; cousins, Bo Watson, June Watson-Williams and Ron Watson; brother-in-law, Hosey Smoot; a host of nieces and nephews cousins including, beloved cousin, Seron Smith; nieces and nephews, Jackie Smoot, Michael Smoot, Tracey Smoot Cassandra Bailey, Jarius Bailey, Dorthy Foster, Cynthia Foster, Kay Pleasant, Lisa, Katie Jordan, (Bo-Weevil) John Griffin, Ronald Griffin, Curtis Griffin Jr. Haven Griffin, Pam Griffin, O.C, and Griffin Jr. (Clay); special friends, Sharon King (Sha-Sha), Erma L. Barnes, Annette Walker, Odessa Peterson, Debra Williams and Annie Redmond.

Previous Events

Family hour

FEB 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - February 28 at 08:42 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson.*



March 02 at 03:24 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson.*

March 02 at 03:24 PM



“ *Jesse W Perry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson*



Jesse W Perry - February 27 at 09:50 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson.



February 24 at 12:31 PM



“ Rest well beautiful 💕💕💕💕



Lois Walker White - February 17 at 10:09 AM



“ Oh Mommy.....My heart is in a million pieces now, I can't seem to get it together....😭😭😭😭💔💔💔💔 I love you so much, you were the best Mommy a girl could have, I learned soooooo much from you!!!! I will NEVER be the same without you.....NEVER!!!!💔😭😭😭😭💔 You have completed your "Dodge" Mommy, rest well...



Stephanie HendersonGee - February 17 at 06:58 AM



“ Mommy, you are my whole life of memories, you were the "memory maker" eternally "Baby Boo"-Sonya

Sonya Cook - February 16 at 10:28 AM

JA

“ JEROME ADAMS sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson



JEROME ADAMS - February 16 at 07:31 AM

SH

Ty Jerome ❤️

Stephanie HendersonGee - February 17 at 06:59 AM

ST

“ Stephanie and Sonya i am sending prayers to your family.

Shelia Tucker - February 14 at 04:34 PM

SH

TY Shelia ❤️

Stephanie HendersonGee - February 17 at 07:00 AM



“ Mrs Ardella Henderson was like a second mom to me growing up. She was so kind, so poised, so loving, so very beautiful. The love she gave her girls was palpable. What I will miss most is her wonderful smile, and the twinkle in her eye. Rest in heaven Mother Ardella. Tell my mom I said hi and we miss her too 🙏🌹🙏



Era Alston - February 13 at 08:36 PM

CH

“ Carolyn Hudson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson



Carolyn Hudson - February 13 at 02:54 PM

ML

“ Mary L.Evans lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson



Mary L.Evans - February 13 at 01:36 PM

EJ

“ Emily Jungels purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson.



Emily Jungels - February 13 at 09:17 AM

AD

“ Alma Dent-Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson



Alma Dent-Phillips - February 13 at 08:36 AM

SH

Ty❤️

Stephanie HendersonGee - February 23 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Carolyn Parker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson



Carolyn Parker - February 12 at 10:03 PM

SP

“ Sheila Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson



Sheila Phillips - February 12 at 05:38 PM

HM

“ Helen Mcbride lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ardella Mae Henderson



Helen Mcbride - February 12 at 05:35 PM