



Mr. Benjamin Cleveland

April 6, 1944 - April 16, 2017

CLEVELAND, Mr. Benjamin - Age 73, passed away Sunday, April 16, 2017 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 7:30 AM Saturday, April 22, 2017 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 8:00 AM Pastor Kenneth L. Stewart officiating. Interment Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, 9506 N. Dort Hwy., Mt. Morris, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 7:30 AM Saturday. Mr. Cleveland will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Friday, with family present to receive friends from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM.

Mr. Benjamin Franklin Cleveland was born on April 6, 1944 in Decatur, Mississippi, the son of Irene Cleveland and Edgar Bailiff. He was the third of twelve children. He was a graduate of Coahoma College, and also served in the US Army until 1964. He later moved to Flint, MI where he found employment with the General Motors Corporation, and remained a loyal employee until his retirement, after 35 years of service. In 1969, he married the love of his life, Aldena, and from this union two children were born, Alisa and Benjamin. Mr. Cleveland, loved fishing, bowling, gardening, and traveling. His garden was known by all and was often by the community. Benjamin was a gentle, sweet, loving, kind and caring man with a beautiful spirit and sweet soul. Benjamin was loved by everyone who knew him.

Mr. Benjamin Franklin Cleveland leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Alisa (Michael) James; son, Benjamin F. Cleveland; grandchildren, Jhazzlin Cleveland, Kaitlyn Cleveland, Tristen Rodriguez, Kharmarri Key, Justice Cleveland and Emarion Jackson all of Flint; step– grandchild, Abel Christians of Grand Rapids; sisters, Patricia Fairley, Walterene Hall, Linda Smith, Chistine (Lonnie) Hagan, Etoy Newton, Jenny Norman and Elaine Cleveland; brothers, Edgar (Emma) Bailiff, Willie (Mary) Bailiff, Michael Bailiff, Calvin Barnett, A. B. Barnett, Napolean Cleveland and Abraham Cleveland; a host of other relatives and friends, including special friends, Henry (Bea) Traylor, Brett (Latonda) Anderson Revell Suggs, Anthony (Kayla) Naylor, Carlene Turner, Mathew Gambrell, Charlene Exum, Sam Mincy, Doris Coleman, Freddie McAllister, Roosevelt (Ruth) Tardy, Mr. & Mrs. Paige, Sidney (Gloria) Carter and Family, the Cole and the Lewis families.

Mr. Cleveland was preceded in death by his wife, Mrs. Aldena Cleveland; mother, Irene Cleveland–Barnett; and father, Edgar Bailiff Sr.

Cemetery Details

Flint Memorial Park Cemetery

G-9506 N. Dort Hwy.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR 21. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
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Family Present

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APR **22**. 7:30 AM - 8:00 AM (ET)

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Service

APR **22**. 8:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Benjamin Cleveland*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Senita Jackson & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Benjamin Cleveland*



Senita Jackson & Family - April 21, 2017 at 05:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Benjamin Cleveland.*



April 20, 2017 at 11:14 PM



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April 20, 2017 at 09:47 PM

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“ Thanks Mr.Ben for all you done for Me N my Daughter will be forever in my heart as a great fella my you rest in Heaven thanks



Jarleafian Lewis - April 20, 2017 at 03:26 PM

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“ So sorry Alisa James and family. Please know that your Friends from The Gym For Her are here for you and send our deepest sympathy.

The Gym For Her - April 20, 2017 at 03:23 PM

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“ My deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. May God give you the peace that you seek, from your sister Etoy's daughter Charmaine and family. RIP Uncle Benjamin

charmaine - April 20, 2017 at 12:22 PM

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“ My condolences to Brother Ben's children, grandchildren and friends. Ben you'll be missed, but never forgotten. You'll always be my smiling brother! May God lift all of us up in this time of need. I'll be praying for our family. Rest in Peace, Brother.

Your Sister Gennie & Family

Etoy Newton - April 20, 2017 at 11:50 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Benjamin Cleveland.*



April 20, 2017 at 11:38 AM



“ *Ben, you were our Brother and Friend always smiling and talking about going fishing. I am so thankful your were in our lives. You will be missed, but be in our hearts forever. My condolences to your children, grandchildren, friends and other family members. We have suffered a great loss, may God Bless all of us and give us peace and understanding. RIP my brother.*

Your Sister Etoy & Family

Etoy Newton - April 20, 2017 at 11:34 AM



“ *Earl Horton, Ben and i worked at Buick i was on skilled trades Ben was the most helpful and kind person i ever worked with will be missed*

Edward Horton - April 20, 2017 at 04:41 AM



“ *I remember Ben coming to Hopedale to see his wife, Lena Cleveland. He always had a smile for everyone. I worked with Lena for many years. She was hard working teacher and friend. My sympathies to his children and grandchildren. Marilyn Harrington*

Marilyn Harrington - April 19, 2017 at 07:36 PM

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“ Sidney, Gloria and the Carter Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Benjamin Cleveland.



Sidney, Gloria and the Carter Family - April 19, 2017 at 06:23 PM



“ 78 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - April 19, 2017 at 03:58 PM