



## Mr. Bobby Austin Nelson

July 25, 1940 - August 28, 2023

NELSON, Mr. Bobby Austin - Age 83, passed away Monday, August 28, 2023, at his residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Thursday, September 7, 2023, at Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church, 1258 E. Humphrey Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM Pastor Terry Randolph, officiating. Interment, Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Thursday.

Mr. Bobby Austin Nelson was born July 25, 1940, in Starkville, MS. The son of Mr. Robert P. and Mrs. Susie (Turner) Nelson, Bobby attended Bethel Missionary Baptist Church and received Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age. He graduated from Henderson High School where he was known for his phenomenal skills in both football and basketball.

Bobby moved to Flint, Michigan in his early twenties. There he joined the Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church. He was a member of the choir and would lead the song, "Precious Lord." Later, he started his family producing two sons. And on April 20, 1972, he married Mrs. Mattie Pearl (Howell) Nelson. This union produced two additional children (1 son and 1 daughter). Bobby was a hard-working man. He dedicated himself to providing for his family. He worked most of his adult life at General Motors as an employee of both the Fisher Body and Buick City Divisions. He was a member of Union Local 599. Yet he always found time to enjoy life.

Bobby was an avid sports fan. He enjoyed talking about and watching his favorite teams, often ribbing, and joking with friends. He found pleasure in listening to music (Blues, Soul/R&B, Jass and Gospel), growing his own vegetables and maintaining a pristine yard. Bobby was known for his delicious barbeque. He had an affinity for nice things, as he was a sharp dresser and drove nice cars, from his Electra 225 to his Cadillac style (Eldorados & Fleetwoods). But most importantly, he loved his family.

Mr. Bobby Austin Nelson leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Mattie Pearl Nelson of Flint; 3 sons, Robert (Patt) Overshown of Fort Worth, TX, Robert Hosea (Gina) Nelson of Mustang, OK and Anthony Lytrell (Rita) Nelson of Flint; daughter, AuStina Renae (Jason) Murphy; grandson, Juwan Overshown of Fort Worth, TX; 8 granddaughters, Chloe Overshown of Fort Worth, TX, Kamari and KaNeesa Nelson, Khiana, KaSandra, and Kayla Dumas, all of Flint, Jaela Beeks of Detroit, MI and Jasmine Smith-Murphy of Ontario, Canada; 3 great-grandsons, Jamir Dumas, Zeus and Zi heir Overshown; 2 great-granddaughters, Zoe Overshown and Lila Williams; 5 sisters, Clarice Webber of Chicago, IL, Dorothy Gragg of Detroit, MI, Margaret C. (Elder Murry J.) Mills, Mary Misters, Emma (Robert) Nichols, all of Chicago, IL; brother, John Nelson of Starkville, MS; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Bobby was preceded in death by his parents, Robert P., and Susie Nelson; sisters, Jane K. Randolph and Dr. Ollie M. Deloach; brothers, Robert "Snoop" Nelson, Robert Ulsie Nelson, and Kermit Larry Nelson.

The family wishes to express special thanks to all those who assisted Mr. Nelson during his trying times leading up to his death. And to Pastor Terry Randolph and the Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church Family.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Family hour & viewing

SEP 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church  
1258 E. Humphrey  
Flint, MI 48505

## Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Bobby Austin Nelson*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Our Sincere Condolences, to the Nelson and Deloach Families. Praying that God gives you the strength that you need, at this most difficult time. RIH Bro. Nelson* 🙏💙



**Evangelist-Dr. Carolyn Davis & Children** - September 05, 2023 at 08:58 AM



“ *Jeanette Grady sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Bobby Austin Nelson*



**Jeanette Grady** - September 01, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Gethsemane Mother's lit a candle in memory of Bobby Nelson*



**Gethsemane MBC Mother's** - August 29, 2023 at 12:58 PM

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“ *Pastor Terry Randolph and the Gethsemane MBC extends our sincere condolences, love, and our prayers. We pray that God will comfort the Nelson and extended families during this transitional period of your loved one. We will pray with you, stand with you, and promise to be there by your side in whatever way that we can be of service. May God bless and keep you is our prayer.*

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**Pastor Randolph** - August 29, 2023 at 12:55 PM