



## Mr. Brian Eugene Coates

May 10, 1968 - July 9, 2016

COATES, Mr. Brian Eugene "Bozo" - Age 48, passed away Saturday, July 9, 2016 at Hurley Medical Center. Public viewing 12 PM - 8 PM Friday, July 15, 2016 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. Mr. Coates will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home.

Brian Eugene Coates "Bozo" was born May 10, 1968 in Flint, Michigan, the son of Brian McClure and Yvonne Coates. He was a resident of Flint, Michigan for 48 years. Brian was a faithful member of Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church and was deeply involved in activities regarding God's work. He graduated from Flint Northern High School. Brian served in the United States Navy and received an Honorable Discharge. He enjoyed cooking, running and was an avid Detroit Pistons fan. Brian Eugene Coates "Bozo" leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Joy Marie Coates of Ann Arbor, MI; mother, Yvonne Coates; sister, Staff Sgt. April Nicole Riddle, both of San Antonio, TX; 4 brothers, Brian L. Coleman of Ohio, Marlin Riddle of Youngstown, OH, Marcus (Sonya) Riddle of Flint and Mario Riddle of San Antonio, TX; very special niece, Talia Riddle; 3 nephews, Tamarcus Riddle, Marlin Riddle, Jr. and Micah Riddle; 4 aunts, Trudy Nelms, Parthine Hunter, Frieda Coates and Yvette Harper-Bey; 13 special cousins, Stacy Johnson, Duane Coates, Jeffery Johnson, Linzey Alexander, Sydney Alexander, Melvin Veale, all of Flint, Jamott, Andre and Joe Veale, all of Grand Rapids, MI, Reilceil Johnson, Juavita Johnson and Sonya Smith, all of Flint; a host of other relatives and

friend including special friends, Rose Norris, Deacon Barnett, Brother James Shelton and Pastor James Kennedy. Brian was preceded in death by his father, Brian McClure; grandparents, Louis and Leevatie Coates, and Mildred and Fred Ashford; special uncle, Charles Coates; devoted niece, Adrianna Johnson; and cousin, Roni Veale.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Julie Baker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



**Julie Baker** - July 14, 2020 at 08:47 AM



“ *Prayers and Condolences to Brian's Family. In the short time that I knew Brian I know he was a very caring and thoughtful person. I know He will be truly missed..*



*A.C. Greenard  
Jonesboro, GA*

**A.C. Greenard** - July 23, 2016 at 09:44 PM



“ *Deborah Caldwell-Thompson (Bradley) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



**Deborah Caldwell-Thompson (Bradley)** - July 16, 2016 at 08:42 PM

RS

“ *Rebekkah Stewart lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



Rebekkah Stewart - July 16, 2016 at 02:44 PM

SB

“ *Brian will be sadly missed by his friends and the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church family where he faithfully served in so many capacities. He was always willing to lend a hand in whatever needed to be done. He was firm, but encouraging to the young people and loving and kind to all. I am proud to call him friend. My heartfelt condolences go out to the family. Be comforted by the knowledge that Brian was a true and faithful servant and has been welcomed into His kingdom.*

Sandra & Kierra Brandon - July 16, 2016 at 10:29 AM

CR

“ *He was very thoughtful person*



Carol Coleman Robinson - July 16, 2016 at 08:08 AM

DH

“ *You will be truly missed Mr Coates you were a good man and a good friend to my mom and her children glad we got to meet such a wonderful person*



Dorothy Harris - July 15, 2016 at 05:50 PM

FR

“ *Freda Ratliff-Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



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**Freda Ratliff-Williams** - July 15, 2016 at 07:15 AM

RC

“ *Robyn Cobbin-Hall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



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**Robyn Cobbin-Hall** - July 15, 2016 at 06:30 AM

LY

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Lynn and Henry Younger** - July 14, 2016 at 02:50 PM

HY

“ *Brother Brian Coates will be dearly missed. A mild and humble person that I can not remember ever being angry. Very dependable, if he said he would be there he would be there. He would ride the bus to get there and was more on time those with a car. His voluntary commitment to Mt Carmel was genuinle. I want his mom and sibling to know Brian was Very Special to us.*  
*Henry and Lynn Younger*

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**Henry &Lynn Younger** - July 14, 2016 at 11:22 AM

LB

“ 3 files added to the album *New Album Name*



**Lynn Brown-Younger** - July 14, 2016 at 10:32 AM

FY

“ *Friends and Staff of the Flint YMCA purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates.*



**Friends and Staff of the Flint YMCA** - July 14, 2016 at 09:59 AM

RY

“ *Renea Yarbrough sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



**Renea Yarbrough** - July 13, 2016 at 08:48 PM

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“ *Renea Yarbrough sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



**Renea Yarbrough** - July 13, 2016 at 08:43 PM

PF

“ My condolences to the family Mr. Brian Eugenes Coates. When the enemy death strikes, it leaves us with pain and feelings that are difficult to process. May you be comforted in knowing that God (Psalms 83:18) can give you that Peace of God that surpasses all understanding when you draw close to him in prayers daily.

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pfl - July 13, 2016 at 07:13 PM

SH

“ Brian sat and talked with me at length on the Wednesday before he passed. He was so grateful for the teachings he received from his mom. He regarded those instructions as his foundation for growing up, surviving the hardships and trials of life and being a productive citizen. He was such a thoughtful, caring person. His physical presence will be missed dearly in the days, months and years to come, but the memory of him will live on in our hearts and minds. To the family: Our thoughts are of you, our prayers are for you, and our hearts are with you.

*Lewis and Sallie Humble*

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Sallie Humble - July 13, 2016 at 03:16 PM

LW

“ Lazanda Wallace lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates



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Lazanda Wallace - July 13, 2016 at 08:40 AM

JR

“ We spoke to each other just a few days ago at the store. We laughed and talked about growing up at Deliverance with my family Dr. Zack&MotherAlvermaSmith, Sis Reilceil Dotson ... the "Good 'Ole Days" ! I will miss those chats. Praying for you Sis. Riddle and the entire Coates family ❤️🙏 Delores

James&Delores Richardson&Family - July 12, 2016 at 08:59 PM

CK

“ Claudette Kennedy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates



Claudette Kennedy - July 12, 2016 at 08:51 PM

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Claudette Kennedy - July 12, 2016 at 08:20 PM

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“ Claudette Kennedy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates



Claudette Kennedy - July 12, 2016 at 08:19 PM

AW

“ *April Wysinger lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



April Wysinger - July 12, 2016 at 04:35 PM

RS

“ *Robert Shelly lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



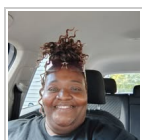
robert shelly - July 12, 2016 at 01:56 PM



“ *Tonya Gramse lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



Tonya Gramse - July 11, 2016 at 11:29 PM



“ *Felicia Howell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates*



Felicia Howell - July 11, 2016 at 11:23 PM

EH

“ Earl And Felicia Howell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates



Earl and Felicia Howell - July 11, 2016 at 11:21 PM

EH

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Earl and Felicia Howell - July 11, 2016 at 11:14 PM

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Earl and Felicia Howell - July 11, 2016 at 11:13 PM

WL

“ Welton And Carolyn Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brian Eugene Coates



welton and carolyn lewis - July 11, 2016 at 05:04 PM