



Mr. Cleophas Gay

May 1, 1926 - June 15, 2016

GAY, Mr. Cleophas - age 90, passed away Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at his residence. Family hour 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 22, 2016 from Triumph Flint Campus, 1657 Broadway Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 a.m. Wednesday. Mr. Gay will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may viewed from 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Tuesday.

Mr. Cleophas Gay was born May 1, 1926 in Tallahassee, Oklahoma. He was the youngest of eight children born to Shephard and Nina (Armstead) Gay. Cleophas gave his life to Christ at 13 years of age. He served in the United States Army in 1944 and was Honorably Discharged from service in 1946. Cleophas later went back to school and graduated from Carter G. Woodson High School in 1948. He relocated to Flint, Michigan where he met and married Eunice Lee Waters in 1961. They were together for 54 years! After moving to Flint he graduated from Skilled Trade School with a degree in Refrigeration Repair in 1949. A year later he was hired at V-8 Engine Plant, a division of General Motors retiring after 31 years of service. He was a member of UAW Local #659. Cleophas also graduated with a degree in Television & Radio Repair in 1957. He repaired TV's in his garage, eventually going into business with his best friend, Earl Emery in 1964. In addition to his many jobs and skills Cleophas also owned and opened "Avenue A Record and Party

Store” located on the corner of Avenue A and Wood St. Mr. Gay joined the Masonic Order in 1973 and was Past-Worshipful Master of John W. Stevenson Lodge No.56, F&A.M.-PHA, Past-Commander-in-Chief and Grand Inspectors General of Saginaw Valley Consistory No. 71 A.A.S.R.-PHA, Past-Illustrious Potentate of Oman Temple No. 72 AEAONMS-PHA, Secretary Emeritus of John W. Stevenson Lodge No. 56 and was a 33rd Degree Mason. Mr. Gay joined North Star Missionary Baptist Church in 1994 under the leadership of Pastor James O. Flowers, Sr. where he was a faithful member until his health began to fail.

Mr. Cleophas Gay leaves to cherish his loving memories: 2 daughters, Nina Renae Gay of Flint and Diane Blassingame of Grand Rapids, MI; son, Reginald Fields of Terre Haute, IN; sister-in-law, Deborah Holmes of Flint; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends including special friend, Mr. Charles Gill.

Mr. Gay was preceded in death by his wife, Eunice; daughter, Audrey Rogers; 3 sons, Michael Gay, Eugene Hickmon and Lendale Waters; 2 granddaughters, Tisha Bates and Keisha Waters; and grandson, Marvin Williams.

The family would like to express special thanks to Pastor Solomon Kinloch and the Triumph Church-Flint Campus family, Bishop James O. Flowers, Sr., social worker, Mr. William Holmes and hospice nurse, Rose.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN **21**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 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

JUN **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Triumph Church - Flint Campus
1657 Broadway Blvd.
Flint, MI

Service

JUN **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Cleophas Gay*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Patricia Barker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Cleophas Gay*



Patricia Barker - June 27, 2016 at 04:42 PM



“ *Calvin Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Cleophas Gay*



Calvin Brown - June 27, 2016 at 09:40 AM



“ *Calvin Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Cleophas Gay*



Calvin Brown - June 27, 2016 at 09:36 AM

ML

“ You have our deepest sympathy



Michael and Phyllis Leslie - June 22, 2016 at 08:12 PM

DB

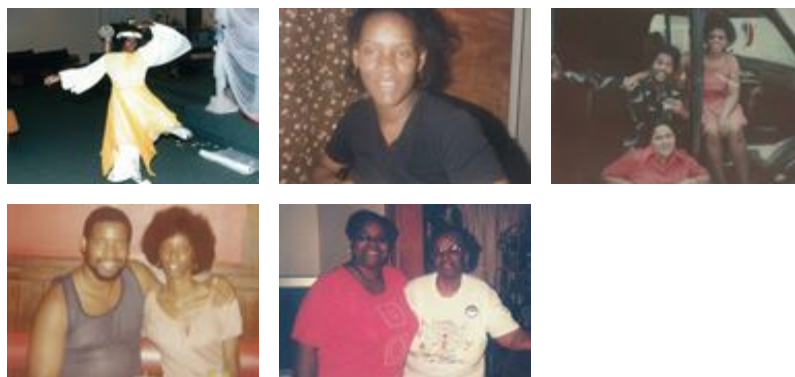
“ Deborah Bussey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Cleophas Gay



Deborah Bussey - June 22, 2016 at 08:18 AM



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Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - June 21, 2016 at 11:53 AM



“ 50 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - June 20, 2016 at 11:33 AM

PW

“ *To The Gay & Blassengame Family,*

*At times like this, We can't help remembering how fragile life is.. May you find strength in the Love of Family and in the Warm Embrace of Friends. { The Avenue "B" Friends & Family Forever }
In Deepest Sympathy,
From The Woodyard Family {Cookie, Mug, Bay Bro, & Gail }*



Paul Woodyard - June 19, 2016 at 06:36 PM

TH

“ *What a quiet gentle man Mr. Gay was..A smile on any occasion..He will be truly missed...God Bless each of you during this time..*



Trina Stewart @ Dorothy Hawkins - June 19, 2016 at 03:06 PM

GJ

“ DAUGHTER MY LOVE @ SYMPATHY IS WITH YOU IN YOUR TIME OF SORROW MAY GOD BLESS YOU @ KNOW YOU DID ALL YOU COULD DO.IN CARING FOR YOUR FATHER.MAY HE REST IN PEACE. WITH LOVE MOTHER JONES @ FAMILY...

GWENDOLYN JONES - June 17, 2016 at 01:29 PM

DB

“ *May Jehovah bless the Gay family during their time of sorrow .Losing someone death can be difficult,but through God and prayer there is hope as cited in the scripture a(Isaiah 25:8) and may your heart be filled with the great memories and the joyful times that you spent together as you celebrate a life well lived.*



Daisy Boone - June 17, 2016 at 08:58 AM

BC

“ *I am deeply sorry for your loss, Death is never natural, even when a loved one has lived many years. We look forward to Jehovah God's promise of restoring the earth to a Paradise, where sickness and death will be a thing of the past. Isaiah 25:8*



Brenda Collier - June 17, 2016 at 08:34 AM