



## Ms. Denise Renee Allen

April 6, 1959 - October 19, 2018

ALLEN, Ms. Denise Renee - Age 59, passed away Friday, October 19, 2018 at her residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, October 27, 2018 at Word of Life Christian Church, 460 W. Atherton Rd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM, Pastor George Wilkinson, officiating and Pastor Donald Hughes, Eulogist, Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Church 10:00 Am Saturday. Ms. Allen will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12:00 PM-8:00 PM Friday.

Ms. Denise Renee Allen was born April 6, 1959 in Flint, Michigan, the daughter of Lillian Barbara Allen and John Donaldson. She was a member of Austin Avenue Missionary Baptist Church where she served as a Usher and on the Trustee Board. Denise graduated from Flint Northwestern High School, "Class of 1977." She also graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1999. Denise was employed by the State of Michigan Department of Corrections. In 2002, she was inducted into the Greater Flint Afro-American Hall of Fame for Basketball and Volleyball, and was a 2009 Inductee into the Eastern Michigan University Hall of Fame. She was the Basketball Coach for Flint Central High School from 1985-1995. Denise enjoyed playing cards, Dominos and Po-Ke-No with family and friends, and hosting a birthday party for herself and the children of the family.

Ms. Denise Renee Allen leaves to cherish her memory: sister, Samantha Allen; 2 brothers, James Russell Allen and Christopher Ellis ; niece, Petrina Cooper; 2 nephews, James R. Allen II., all of Flint and Jaron Sutton of Mississippi; 5 aunts, Nancy Whetzel of New Castle, PA, Marcy Allen of Martins Ferry, OH, Ina Brown, Margaret Rivers and Glenda Donaldson, all of Wheeling, WV; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Linnell Jones-McKenney, Letitia Hughley, Latisha Berry, Angie Chapman, Patricia Allen and Sherlena Watkins.

Ms. Allen was preceded in death by her parents, Lillian Barbara Allen and John Donaldson; grandparents, William and Essie (Calhoun) Allen; brother, John Bruce Allen; aunts, Beatrice Allen, Susie Butler and Dora Dubois; and uncle, William Allen Jr.; and god-daughter, Jameca Boone.

The family would like to express special thanks to McLaren-Flint, McLaren Hospice nurses, Sara and Melissa, and friend, Angie Chapman.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

OCT **26**. 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

OCT **27**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Word of Life Christian Church  
460 W. Atherton Road  
Flint, MI 48507

## Service

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OCT **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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460 W. Atherton Road  
Flint, MI 48507

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Denise Renee Allen*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *My Deepest condolences and prayers goes out to her families and friends, Love Always your Cuzin Brenda K. DuBoise and Family. Love you and missing you Sam and Russell .*



**Renee Butler and Families and Friends** - October 27, 2018 at 05:22 PM



“ *Mr & Mrs Roderick Watkins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



**Mr & Mrs Roderick Watkins** - October 27, 2018 at 10:46 AM



“ *May u Rest in PEACE THE MAHAN FAMILY*

**Brenda Mahan** - October 27, 2018 at 10:39 AM

MH

“ *Mildred Hood lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



Mildred Hood - October 27, 2018 at 10:36 AM

MF

“ *Micheal Fleming lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



Micheal Fleming - October 26, 2018 at 10:16 PM

MM

“ *Maxine Murray lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



Maxine Murray - October 26, 2018 at 09:42 PM

SE

“ *May God comfort the family in the loss of Coach Allen. She will missed* ❤️ 🖤 ❤️



Sonya Elmore - October 26, 2018 at 09:30 PM

MD

“ Micheal Fleming & Nikole Dent lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Micheal Fleming & Nikole Dent - October 26, 2018 at 09:14 PM



“ Johnny Billings lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Johnny Billings - October 26, 2018 at 06:44 PM

TS

“ Thomas Stanley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Thomas Stanley - October 26, 2018 at 06:38 PM

WH

“ Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Wanda Harrison - October 26, 2018 at 06:00 PM



“ *Takeisha Howard Gaylor lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Takeisha Howard Gaylor** - October 26, 2018 at 03:15 PM



“ *Jeanette Lenoir lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Jeanette Lenoir** - October 26, 2018 at 02:48 PM



“ *Lloyd Turner lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Lloyd Turner** - October 26, 2018 at 10:15 AM



“ *Sherry L Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Sherry L Williams** - October 26, 2018 at 09:59 AM

KP

“ Coach Denise Allen was more than a Coach! She was a mentor/friend who made a difference in our lives. U were loved❤️ & appreciated. Sending prayers the Allen Family 🙏



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**Kym Pryor-Stubbs** - October 26, 2018 at 07:16 AM

OM

“ Ollie Morris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



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**Ollie Morris** - October 26, 2018 at 06:40 AM

PH

“ So sorry to hear Ms. Allen transitioned. She had such an impact on my daughter (Deshawn Cooley/Brooks Skinner) and the entire Central girls basketball team. My prayers are with you.



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**Patricia Hamer** - October 26, 2018 at 05:53 AM

PP

“ *Phyllis Patterson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**phyllis patterson** - October 25, 2018 at 10:03 PM

AH

“ *Augusta L Harris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Augusta L Harris** - October 25, 2018 at 06:31 PM

NW

“ *Nana Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*

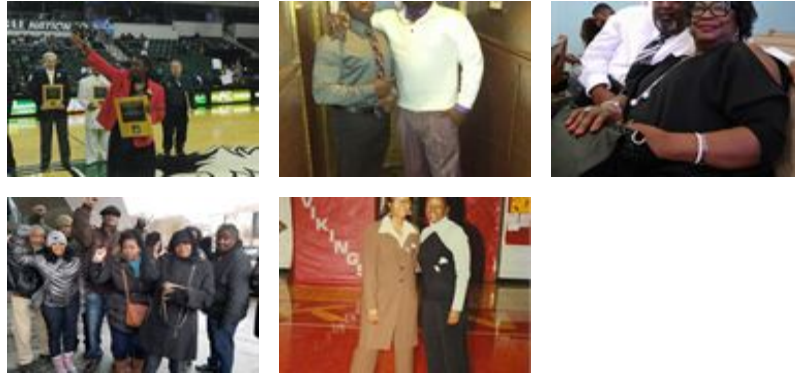


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**nana williams** - October 25, 2018 at 01:48 PM



“ 42 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - October 25, 2018 at 12:47 PM

LH

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. She will be missed.  
Laurie Hollister

LAURIE HOLLISTER - October 25, 2018 at 12:34 PM

M(

“ Sam and Russell we love you all and are praying for you all as you walk through this valley. Sorry we could not be there, but know that we love you all. I said it before and I will say it 10 times over, you never know who you were to a person or how you touched their lives until a time like this comes. She was truly an Amazing person (cousin). She will be missed but NEVER forgotten.



Malissa Woodard (Grani) - October 25, 2018 at 12:19 PM

TG

“ Ms. Allen was a very good person whom I had the pleasure of working with for 3 1/2 years with the MDOC. She was a sweet person who was caring and well respected by many. She will be truly missed. My sympathy goes out to her family during their time of bereavement.

*RIH Ms. Allen*

*Tasha Green*

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**TASHA GREEN** - October 25, 2018 at 11:14 AM

TG

“ TASHA GREEN lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



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**TASHA GREEN** - October 25, 2018 at 11:12 AM

MH

“ Michele Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



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**Michele Hawkins** - October 25, 2018 at 11:04 AM

KB

“ My condolences to the family so sorry for your loss. Denise was a very nice person and a great basketball coach. I'm so glad I had the pleasure of having you as a coach. RIL

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**Kimberly Brown-Coakley** - October 25, 2018 at 10:51 AM

TF

“ To the Allen family, We are so saddened to learn of Niecy’s passing. She was loved and respected by us all. It is our prayer that your family finds comfort in knowing that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Hold fast to each other and your wonderful memories of Niecy. May God’s Holy Spirit grant you enduring peace during your time of loss.

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**The Wilbon Family** - October 25, 2018 at 07:23 AM

AW

“ To the Allen family, We are so saddened to learn of Niecy’s passing. She was loved and respected by us all. It is our prayer that your family finds comfort in knowing that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Hold fast to each other and your wonderful memories of Niecy. May God’s Holy Spirit grant you enduring peace during your time of loss.

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**A Wilbon** - October 25, 2018 at 07:19 AM

MB

“ It such a shock that you are gone. Denise was such an amazing lady. I’m so fortunate to have known her.

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**Monica Bailey** - October 24, 2018 at 10:29 PM

KS

“ Coach Allen, You were such an inspiration and asset to our team at Flint Central. You were tuff but fair. We’ll always love you. May your soul rest in peace. You’ll truly be missed!

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**Karolyn Scott** - October 24, 2018 at 10:00 PM

DA

“ Duane, Princess, And A'kiyah?????? lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Duane, Princess, and A'kiyah?????? - October 24, 2018 at 09:43 PM

KM

“ Kim Moore-Watson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Kim Moore-Watson - October 24, 2018 at 09:00 PM

PR

“ Denise you were such a jewel to me and my family! I count it a great joy and privilege to have known you!!! ❤️❤️❤️



Princess??????? - October 24, 2018 at 08:47 PM

 Tricie Allen

“ Patricie Allen and Families



Tricie Allen - October 24, 2018 at 07:44 PM

AM

“ *condolences to your family*



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**Angela Marshall** - October 24, 2018 at 05:44 PM

ES

“ *The Allen Family you are in our prayers and we will all be here for you . I sit and think of the last time I was with Denise we had so many laughs and it's still hard to believe she's not with us any longer but she will all have a place in our heart.  
Emanuel & Emma Summers*

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**Emma Summers** - October 24, 2018 at 05:20 PM

AF

“ *Antonette Simmons And Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Antonette Simmons and Family** - October 24, 2018 at 04:27 PM

FR

“ *Frances Robertson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Frances Robertson** - October 24, 2018 at 04:15 PM

FF

“ *Frances Robertson Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Frances Robertson Family** - October 24, 2018 at 04:12 PM

FR

“ *Frances Robertson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Frances Robertson** - October 24, 2018 at 03:16 PM

FF

“ *Frances Robertson& Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Frances Robertson& Family** - October 24, 2018 at 03:14 PM

NI

“ When I heard the news. I couldn't believe that my dear friend had gone on to be with the lord, I can hear you calling my that name that no other person remember but you. You will be truly missed but never forgotten by me. You hold a place in my heart that no one will ever replace my dear friend. RIP now and thank for being there when I needed someone to talk to all these years. PB



Neil Ingram - October 24, 2018 at 03:12 PM

FC

“ We will miss that beautiful smile when our churches came together as you ushered us in. Praying for the family.



First New Life Baptist Church - October 24, 2018 at 02:58 PM

DS

“ Donnie & Emma Summers sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Donnie & Emma Summers - October 24, 2018 at 02:10 PM


MF

“ *Marian Jenkins And Families lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



**Marian Jenkins and Families** - October 24, 2018 at 01:36 PM

RF

“ *To Russell and Sam Allen with their Families and Friends by their side just Know that Our s are Hurting right along with you and God is holding US in his Arms as We grieve with you as a Whole Families. Wishing I could've been there but heart and pain is Hurting inside. Love always Renee Butler and Families and Friends.*




**Renee Butler and Families and Friends** - October 24, 2018 at 12:16 PM

SW

*So sad to hear that Niocy is gone. Hold on to each other and know you that I am praying for you all. Love always Sandra*

**sandra weston** - October 25, 2018 at 07:26 PM

GW

“ *Denise you were one of those people that I was always happy to see, always a class act. Anytime I called on you, you were there and I am thankful to have known you. I will miss you my friend, hoop sister and coworker *



**Gweny** - October 23, 2018 at 08:14 PM

GW

“ Gwenny sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



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**Gwenny** - October 23, 2018 at 08:08 PM

SM

“ You will never be forgotten in my heart. Your sweet spirit, and all of the good times and great laughter will live on. From the great times spent hanging at home, wonderful years at NW, to our College days at EMU, you were always a joy to be around. Love you sister, and will miss seeing you around. Your friend, Sheena ❤️

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**Sheena Manuel** - October 23, 2018 at 07:54 PM

SI

“ Sonya Ivory lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



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**Sonya Ivory** - October 23, 2018 at 06:12 PM

CB

“ Denise you were very special to me .We were a team at Central High school when it came to coaching the the young ladies. you are the role model for what young ladies should be.you will be missed but NEVER NEVER forgotten.. My Family and I are praying for your family,



*Clyde and Robbie and Deuce Bell.*

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**Clyde Bell** - October 23, 2018 at 04:43 PM

RF

“ To Our Cousins Sam and Russell and their Neices , Nephews just know that we are just calls away and we are her with our shoulders for you lead on the comfort you'll pain of loss such a Big Sister,Auntie, who has gain her wings to go Home in those pearly whites gates Resting in God's Loving Caring Arms. Just wanted to say Hold ON to his Unchanging Hands. Love always The Bill and Essie Allen Crew Families.



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**Renee Butler and Families and Friends** - October 23, 2018 at 12:43 PM

AR

“ Earth has no sorrow that heaven can not heal. Praying that God will comfort you during this time of loss.

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**Anita Perry Remson & Myles Remson** - October 23, 2018 at 12:02 PM

AF

“ A dedicated member gone from our family. For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, We have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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**Austin Avenue Church Family** - October 23, 2018 at 11:58 AM

AL

“ *Condolences to the entire family*

alonzo love - October 23, 2018 at 11:54 AM

RF

“ *Our Deepest condolences and prayers goes out to her Families and Friends at this time our hearts are so heavy and with sorrow of lossing such a Loving Caring Women of God's own 💕, you will and always will in in Our hearts and minds knowing that you are With Our Parents and other Loves Ones in Heaven. To Her Sister and Brother Just keep standing strong in your Faith walk with Jesus Christ for he has you deelpy in his Comfort Loving Arms holding through the loss of YOU'LL Sister,Our Cousin. The Matt and Mollie Scott Calhoun's Families and Friends.*



Renee Butler and Families and Friends - October 23, 2018 at 11:37 AM

PP

“ *Denise a true gem of a person missing you already. Thank you for being a part of our life.*

Preston & Josie Perry - October 23, 2018 at 11:34 AM

CJ

“ *Elder Anna Johnson Sent a virtual Gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



Craig & Anna Johnson - October 23, 2018 at 11:03 AM

TT

“ *Telcie Thompson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



**Telcie Thompson** - October 23, 2018 at 10:56 AM

CF

“ *Cochran And Jones Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



**Cochran and Jones family** - October 23, 2018 at 08:15 AM

CF

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**Cochran and Jones family** - October 23, 2018 at 08:10 AM

MC

“ *Mae Cochran lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



**Mae Cochran** - October 23, 2018 at 08:05 AM

MB

“ Praying for the family that God will give them  
Peace and Strength 🌹🌹❤️



Mrs Hettie Bell - October 23, 2018 at 07:46 AM

LP

“ Lawaner Price lit a candle in memory of Ms.  
Denise Renee Allen



lawaner price - October 23, 2018 at 07:23 AM

DJ

“ Delois Jackson lit a candle in memory of Ms.  
Denise Renee Allen



Delois Jackson - October 23, 2018 at 07:08 AM

HB

“ Praying for the family



Hettie Bell - October 23, 2018 at 06:47 AM

SB

“ Sabrina Lang Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



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Sabrina Lang Brown - October 23, 2018 at 05:21 AM

RB

“ Rose Blanding lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



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Rose Blanding - October 23, 2018 at 12:42 AM

CK

“ Denise, you were a very special person in my family lives and we will always remember you. You were truly a good friend. My children/nephews loved you.(Basketball Champ). We thank God for the the years we shared. But God said you had already acomplished what was needed for you to do here on earth. God said he wanted more for you. I will always remember when we were driving on I 69 and did not know we were heading toward the same employment with Department of Corrections on that day. To the family our condolence for your lost. Rest in Peace our friend.

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Caren Fordham Knight - October 22, 2018 at 10:03 PM

DY

“ I have known and worked with Denise for over 20 years. We have gone through a lot together and I considered her a good friend. She will truly be missed. My prayers are with her family who I know ment everything to her!

Deby Yankee - October 22, 2018 at 09:46 PM

HM

“ Going to miss you so much Denise Allen so many memories

Herbert s mcgowan - October 22, 2018 at 09:26 PM

HM

“ Herbert S Mcgowan lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Herbert s mcgowan - October 22, 2018 at 09:25 PM

HJ

“ Mr. & Mrs. Harry (BO'Jack) Jackson sends their sincere condolences to the family of MS.Denise Allen who was a true friend coach and mentor.Ms Denise Allen was very dignified graceful and kind. Ms Allen will surely be missed by many.

Harry B. Jackson - October 22, 2018 at 08:39 PM

GA

“ *You will be missed. Gail cooper & family*



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**gail** - October 22, 2018 at 06:56 PM

  
Cynthia  
Marvin

“ *My sincere condolences to Denise Allen and family prayers be with you all...*



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**Cynthia Marvin** - October 22, 2018 at 06:47 PM

JS

“ *Jacqueline Scott lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Jacqueline Scott** - October 22, 2018 at 06:07 PM



“ *SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES TO ALL OF MY FAMILY, DENISE WILL BE TRULY MISSED, LOVE RAY AND TONI ASHFORD.*

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**Toni Ashford** - October 22, 2018 at 04:53 PM



“ *Toni Ashford sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Toni Ashford** - October 22, 2018 at 04:50 PM

KB

“ *Katrina Bolton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Katrina Bolton** - October 22, 2018 at 01:45 PM

SH

“ *Goodbyes are not forever, they are not the end...It simply means I'll miss you until we meet again. Rest in Heaven Niocy! - Stephanie Hanspard*

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**Stephanie Hanspard** - October 22, 2018 at 10:23 AM

TL

“ *Terry Love lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Terry Love** - October 22, 2018 at 09:53 AM

AW

“ Annette Woodley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



annette woodley - October 22, 2018 at 12:37 AM

TB

“ A true and constant friend... said what you meant & meant what you said. You were and still are a Traveling All-Star (from Flint to Heaven). You will be greatly missed.

Tracy Byrd - October 21, 2018 at 11:57 PM



“ Niese you will forever be missed. You brought so much laughter and joy to everyone you came in contact with. Thank you for always supporting the youth of this community and always representing those MIGHTY MIGHTY WILDCATS. Rip my friend- Candace



Candace Miles-Burton - October 21, 2018 at 08:19 PM

TF

“ The Leslie Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



The Leslie Family - October 21, 2018 at 07:28 PM

M-

“ *Praying for the family for Strength and Peace*  
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**Mrs Hettie Bell -Collins** - October 21, 2018 at 05:13 PM

MP

“ *MINISTER PAM lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**MINISTER PAM** - October 21, 2018 at 04:52 PM

YH

“ *Yvette Hawthorne lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Yvette Hawthorne** - October 21, 2018 at 04:20 PM

DU

“ *David Utley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**David Utley** - October 21, 2018 at 03:42 PM

AD

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



ANNA L DOWD - October 21, 2018 at 03:04 PM



“ Carolyn Mayo lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Carolyn Mayo - October 21, 2018 at 10:48 AM

DS

“ My deepest condolences to the family of Neicy. Praying GOD'S peace and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. 🍀💛🌙



Deidre Spight-Woodson - October 20, 2018 at 11:44 PM

CP

“ Carmen Patterson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen



Carmen Patterson - October 20, 2018 at 11:01 PM

TM

“ *Tim & Quetta Moore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



Tim & Quetta Moore - October 20, 2018 at 09:07 PM

TM

“ *Tim And Quetta Moore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



Tim and Quetta Moore - October 20, 2018 at 08:06 PM

WS

“ *WYVONNE SKINNER sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



WYVONNE SKINNER - October 20, 2018 at 07:28 PM

PW

“ *I'm sorry to hear the loss of along time family friend..?There was many days she ate at our home. She played all with my sisters. I agree when she had to say something to you she take you off to the side.. Wow .. you just never know what day nor hour. May God continue to bless her family.. Russell and Samantha*

Patricia Walker(Woodley) - October 20, 2018 at 05:20 PM

LB

“ *RIH my dear friend & sister. Thanks for being a Big sister to me, especially during our college hoop days at EMU. I will miss your strength, wisdom, laughter and most of all your love for others. I will always cherish those moments. My prayers goes out to the Allen family.*

*Blessings - Laurie Byrd*

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**Laurie Byrd** - October 20, 2018 at 02:24 PM

CW

“ *Aching heart... You cared about everyone even when they did not deserve it. What I remember clearly is that you always move people to the side and whispered whatever it was you wanted them to know and what made it bad is that you say something so funny we ended up laughing out loud and you look innocent like you had nothing to do with it..... LOLOL Heaven also collects jewels... Tell Charlie, My deddy, and my sister Jesus is still calling the roll.*



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**Carolyn Witcher** - October 20, 2018 at 01:39 PM



*My condolences to the Allen family Praying for the family*

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**Ozzie Boone** - October 21, 2018 at 08:20 PM

DB

“ *David & Dana Bush lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**David & Dana Bush** - October 20, 2018 at 01:05 PM

AJ

“ *Abby Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Denise Renee Allen*



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**Abby Johnson** - October 20, 2018 at 11:49 AM