



Mr. DeVon Straham

October 2, 1971 - March 17, 2020

STRAHAM, Mr. DeVon - Age 48, passed away Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at his residence.

Family hour 10:00 AM Friday, March 27, 2020 at Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, G-6415 N. Clio Rd., Mt. Morris, MI, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Pastor Wallace Hill III, officiating. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Mr. Straham 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 Thursday.

Mr. DeVon "Uncle Bebon" Straham passed away Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at the age of 48. DeVon was born October 2, 1971 in Flint, Michigan, the son of Leonard Byrd and Andrea (Straham) Darrough. He graduated from Flint Central High School, "Class of 1989." DeVon joined the United States Military Armed Special Forces branch of the Army. He was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division in Fort Bragg, NC. DeVon was humbled by his visit and experience in Egypt. He was Honorably Discharged in 1993. DeVon was extremely smart! He was an avid reader. DeVon obtained his Bachelor Degree in History from the University of Michigan-Flint. He was employed by the Flint Community Schools. DeVon loved to teach History & Geography. He coached various football teams throughout the city. DeVon was an extreme football fanatic! Football was his first love. He was a great teacher, coach and mentor to his students. DeVon was also generous and had a caring heart for the less fortunate. He was a great Philanthropist, often donating to many charities with

a concentration to underdeveloped areas in 3rd World Countries. DeVon enjoyed yelling at his TV, watching Jeopardy and Law & Order.

Mr. DeVon "Uncle Bebon" Straham leaves to cherish his memory: sister, Amber (Brian) Johnson; 6 nieces, Kiana, Brianne, Brianca, Micah, Briana and Sadé Johnson; 2 nephews, Brian Jr. and Timothy Johnson, all of Frisco, TX; 2 aunts, Muriel Samuels and Gloria Jones; uncle, Horace (Yvonne) Jones; cousins, Craig and Chevas Samuels, Chaun Dean, Camille Woods, Corey Straham, Benet Veal, Jeran Flynn, Renee Blake, Cassandra Jones, Darius Robertson; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Antwaun "Donnie" Evans, Leonard Blake, Frank Blake, Lamar Callico, Perry Burks, Donald Johnson and Chinua McGee.

Mr. Straham was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard Byrd and Andrea (Straham) Darrough; step-father, Curtis Darrough Jr.; grandparents, George and Gladys Straham; brother, Curtis Darrough III; aunt, Earline (Darrough) White.

The family would like to express special thanks to Abdullah Raffee MD, DaVita Dialysis and all family and friends that gave their time to care for him during his illness. In recognition to his beloved aunts, Muriel and Gloria who cared for him.

*****At Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, we value the safety and health of our customers, staff and the general public. Therefore, we will adhere to EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 2020-11 issued by our Governor Gretchen Whitmer, regarding assemblages in the wake of the unprecedented health challenge our state and nation is facing.

The Executive Order is as follows:

Acting under the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, I order the following:

Beginning on March 17, 2020 at 9:00 am, and continuing through April 5, 2020 at 5:00 pm, all assemblages of more than 50 people in a single indoor

shared space and all events of more than 50 people are prohibited in this state. A single indoor shared space includes but is not limited to a room, hall, cafeteria, auditorium, theater, or gallery.

The prohibition on assemblages set forth in this section does not apply to:
The prohibition set forth in this section does not abridge protections guaranteed by the state or federal constitution under these emergency circumstances.

We do understand that this may pose a challenge to you and your family, but our dedicated staff is here to help guide you towards making the best decisions in memorializing your loved one.*****

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 26. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Inc., Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
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<https://lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

Family hour

MAR 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church
G-6415 N. Clio Rd.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Service

MAR 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church
G-6415 N. Clio Rd.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 28, 2020 at 02:36 PM

SC

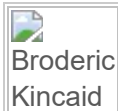
Prayers to the family

Shannell Carlisle - March 29, 2020 at 12:52 PM

SJ

Beautiful

Sade Johnson - March 30, 2020 at 10:06 AM



Broderick Kincaid

“...It is a proud privilege to be a soldier – a good soldier ... [with] discipline, self-respect, pride in his unit and his country, a high sense of duty and obligation to comrades and to his superiors, and a self confidence born of demonstrated ability.”

— George S. Patton Jr.

SEMPER FI

Broderick Kincaid - March 30, 2020 at 06:33 PM



“ *Mr. DeVon Straham*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM

SB

“ So sorry to hear of Devon's passing. We were stationed at Ft. Jackson, SC for basic training. He was in AIT to be a Cook and I was in AIT for Supply.. He gave me the Nickname Cookie Monster.. We lost contact some years ago, really wish I would have taken the time to look for you... May you Rest in Paradise.

Sheilita Blackburn - June 08, 2020 at 09:09 AM



Broderick Kincaid

“ At 4 years old Devon was one of my lifelong friends from Lynn St. He was one of the first that I meet when I move to the block. A boy then man that was, in my opinion, strong minded and was unafraid to let you know what was on his mind or how he felt. An attribute that I admired about him. Even though I moved away from Flint when I was 17 years old Devon was always at the top of the list of people that I had to see when I came home. As an uncompromising person when it came to his morals, I could always depend on Devon to be one of the very best people I have ever known and always willing to give you the real and stay one hundred! As one of my best friends Devon will be missed! He was my light in Flint! That beacon that made me proud to be a Flintstone! I will miss our conversations, his laugh and genuineness. Devon is and will always be my brother and will live on in my heart! Till we see each other again, I miss you brother, I Love You! I will mourn you till I join you!

Broderick Kincaid - March 30, 2020 at 06:27 PM

SJ

“ Love and prayers , Devon will be missed!



Sade Johnson - March 30, 2020 at 10:09 AM

BH

Many Blessings and Love from your Saginaw Family! 🙏

Bobbie Houshiar - April 19, 2020 at 09:54 AM

LR

“ *Sending love and prayers to Mr. Strahams Loved ones 🙏 LeeLee of SOTONATION 💖*

Leelee R - March 27, 2020 at 07:24 PM

JB

“ *Good bye my friend you will be missed. Know that you were on my mind when you were not around.*

*Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.
Requiescant in pace. Amen.*



June Bennett - March 27, 2020 at 06:46 PM

CD

“ *Sorry Amber I couldn't be there for you today but I send my love and Condolences and my prayers to you and your entire family as you lay your brother to rest today may he rest in peace no more pain*



Cheryl Darrough - March 27, 2020 at 04:16 PM

UN

“ *Ulise Nedson lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



Ulise Nedson - March 27, 2020 at 12:49 PM

SH

“ *SherryBama lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



SherryBama - March 27, 2020 at 12:41 PM

MW

“ *DeVon spent many hours online comforting (and sassing) people like me. We're so sorry for your loss. He will be dearly missed as a member of #SotoNation. Godspeed Straham.*



Margie Wilson - March 27, 2020 at 12:41 PM

SP

“ *My condolences to the family and friend's in your time of bereavement.*

Sonya Sharp- Parks - March 27, 2020 at 12:03 PM

AD

“ *Ruhe in Frieden.*

STRAHAM.

(He would understand.)

ADB - March 27, 2020 at 11:39 AM

ND

“ *Nicole Darby lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



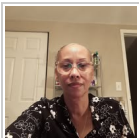
Nicole Darby - March 27, 2020 at 11:32 AM

TS

“ *Tommy Sotomayor purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Mr. DeVon Straham.*



Tommy Sotomayor - March 27, 2020 at 11:21 AM



“ *I didn't know him but my condolences to you and your family, he will be greatly missed, I only know him from his donations to Tommy Sotomayor. Be blessed and may God keep your family in perfect peace. Dorothy Johnson-Branch*

Dorothy Johnson-Branch - March 27, 2020 at 11:08 AM

EM

“ Eric Moses lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham



Eric Moses - March 27, 2020 at 11:02 AM

JE

“ I knew Devon over the internet only but he was always very nice to me..RIP sir

Jesse - March 27, 2020 at 10:59 AM

CG

“ Carmen Greenard lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham



Carmen Greenard - March 26, 2020 at 05:46 PM



“ 2 files added to the album LifeTributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 26, 2020 at 01:09 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 26, 2020 at 08:59 AM



“ Marsha Hare lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham



Marsha Hare - March 26, 2020 at 06:52 AM



“ Kim Dilworth Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham



Kim Dilworth Sanders - March 25, 2020 at 09:13 PM



“ Welton & Carolyn Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham



Welton & Carolyn Lewis - March 25, 2020 at 07:47 PM



“ 61 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 25, 2020 at 10:23 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Mr. DeVon Straham*.



March 24, 2020 at 10:32 AM



“ *Charise Key-Gray* lit a candle in memory of *Mr. DeVon Straham*



Charise Key-Gray - March 24, 2020 at 12:02 AM

OC

“ *ORA CARTER lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



ORA CARTER - March 23, 2020 at 06:59 AM

KR

“ *Kermit & Genell (Crain) Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



Kermit & Genell (Crain) Reeves - March 21, 2020 at 05:42 PM

TS

“ *Tonya Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



Tonya Smith - March 21, 2020 at 02:27 PM

ML

“ *Devon and I would have many interesting and intellectual conversations during our encounters...I was his nurse, cousin and friend. Rest peacefully Devon.*



Monica Leverette - March 21, 2020 at 02:05 PM

AJ

“ I remember when my brother DeVon taught me how to fight. Lol, He showed me how to stand, ball my fist and throw a right and then a left jab to the jaw line. He told me to bounce and say, "I'm the Greatest!" When we got a little older he said, "That's how life is. You got to know when to fight." He fought his hardest fight...the fight for his life. I'm so very proud of my big brother. I'll see him again, one day. 2 Corinthians 5

Love, your sister
Amber



Amber Johnson - March 21, 2020 at 12:04 PM

LH

Did your brother work for a tutoring program about 15 years ago at Beecher Elem. and Dort Elem.

Linda Hill - March 25, 2020 at 05:54 PM

AJ

Hello, I believe so ma'am.

Amber Johnson - March 28, 2020 at 10:29 AM

AJ

Not quite sure though

Amber Johnson - March 28, 2020 at 10:30 AM

EO

“ *Elaine Owens lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



Elaine Owens - March 20, 2020 at 01:31 PM

EW

“ *Earnesto Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



Earnesto Williams - March 20, 2020 at 11:18 AM

SS

“ *Sheila Summers lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



Sheila Summers - March 19, 2020 at 08:25 PM

TJ

“ *Tanya Jefferson lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



Tanya Jefferson - March 19, 2020 at 10:28 AM

CC

“ Carolyn Clemons lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham



Carolyn Clemons - March 19, 2020 at 08:39 AM

RJ

“ REV. JACKSON lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham



REV. JACKSON - March 19, 2020 at 07:47 AM

LB

“ Linda Booth lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham



Linda Booth - March 18, 2020 at 06:20 PM

LB

I had the great opportunity to be DeVon's 2nd grade teacher at Selby Elementary School. Later, I was blessed to also be a fellow teacher with him as we both taught at Northern High. He delighted in telling his students that I was his former teacher, describing my hugs. I'm heartbroken but I know that he is resting in the arms of Jesus.

Linda Booth - March 22, 2020 at 01:21 PM

ML

“ *MARSHA LOCKHART lit a candle in memory of Mr. DeVon Straham*



MARSHA LOCKHART - March 18, 2020 at 05:16 PM

ML

MY CONDOLENLES TO THE STRAHAM FAMILY

MARSHA LOCKHART(RENEE) - March 19, 2020 at 12:34 PM

AB

Rest in peace cousin, there are several relatives waiting for you. God bless

Andre Branch - March 22, 2020 at 01:26 PM

RJ

Rest in Heaven.

Rita L. Jackson - March 26, 2020 at 08:50 PM