

## Mr. Donald Broadway

May 30, 1952 - April 28, 2013

BROADWAY, Mr. Donald - Age 60, passed away Sunday, April 28, 2013 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 10:30 a.m. Monday, May 6, 2013 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Family and friends will assemble at the funeral home 10:30 a.m. Monday. Mr. Broadway will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday.

Mr. Donald Broadway was born May 30, 1952 in Flint, Michigan, the son of Martha V. Broadway and Frank Banyard. Donald attended Flint Public Schools; graduating from Flint Northern High School and later attended Mott Community College. He obtained employment soon after holding various positions; including working for the City of Flint Street Maintenance Department. Donald was a Drug Counselor in Tennessee; his passion and dedication to his vocal gifts were un-wavering, "That Man Could Blow".... He participated in and won numerous talent contests, along and accompanied by his cousins "Man They Could Harmonize." The highlight of his vocal career was meeting and singing with "Martha Reeves and the Vandellas," in Detroit, Michigan.

Donald loved looking good at all times. When he dresses his ensemble was complete from head to toe and he was not afraid to experiment with colors

“Talk about a Sharp Man.” Donald was always for most of his life, physically fit, working out, dancing and Korean Karate; obtaining a Black Belt. He would in his spare time, gather up the young men of the neighborhood on the front lawn and teach them different Martial Arts techniques. Donald accepted Christ and was baptized in April of 1973 and shortly thereafter became one of the youngest deacons at Gethsemane Baptist Church in 1976, where he served until joining the United States Army and was Honorably Discharged in 1980 and became Pastor of a small ministry in Imlay City, Michigan.

Mr. Donald Broadway leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Beatrice Griffis Broadway; 3 daughters, ShaLonna Davis, Dionysia Broadway and Jade (Chris) Young; 3 sons, Donald (Jamilla) Broadway of Eden Prairie, MN, Virgil Broadway and Calvin (Ferne) Griffis, both of Flint; 7 grandchildren, DonTrese, DaQuetta Broadway, O’Shea Blunt of Ogden, Utah, Jaela, Christa, Janiah Young, Marquinnis Griffis, all of Flint and Ahkeem Rawls of Minnesota; 3 great-grandchildren, DeChariae, Omar and Jaiceon, all of Flint; parents, Martha Vernice (Virvie) Spears of Flint/Grand Blanc, MI; 2 sisters, Virgilen (Thaddous) Williams and Cheryl (Jimmy) Crawford, both of Flint; brother, Frank “Smutt” Banyard; niece, Breyanna Williams; 3 nephews, Thaddous Jr., TaVonte’ and Taylor Williams, all of Flint; aunt, Barbara Bothers of Memphis, TN; a host of cousins; mother-in-law, Ernestine Turner; sister-in-law, Marthella Williams; brother-in-law, Leroy (Cleola) Griffis; a host of other relatives and friends including special friend, Cherry L. Broadway and special cousins, Terry McWright and Sharon Wells.

Mr. Broadway was preceded in death by his father, Robert Banyard; grandparents, Tommie (Rosie) Broadway; aunts, Lula Mae Walton, Rosalee Cable and Juanita Cole; cousins, Daniel Walton and Stella Young.

The family would like to express special thanks to the Veterans Hospital in Ann Arbor, MI and McLaren of Flint.



# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAY 5. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Family hour

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## Service

MAY 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ I miss you so much Dad words can't even describe the pain  I feel. Zaire is 10 years old now smarter than I ever thought I was. You'd love him probably more than me Dad. I just wanted to say hello and thank you for your Wisdom Knowledge and Understanding. Love always Donnie.

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**Donald Broadway** - February 21 at 02:39 PM



“ *Mr. Donald Broadway*

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October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Linda Cooper lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Broadway*



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**Linda Cooper** - May 31, 2013 at 05:50 PM



“ *I met Donald Broadway when we both were in a play at Northwestern High School. He sang several songs. He was very polite and friendly to everyone. Everyone enjoyed his singing.*

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**Delphine Holland** - May 14, 2013 at 10:32 PM

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“ *Annie Sims lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Broadway*



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**Annie Sims** - May 06, 2013 at 08:52 AM

CM

“ *Cynthia Marks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Broadway*



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**Cynthia Marks** - May 06, 2013 at 08:40 AM

LB

“ *SENDING OUT MY CONDOLENCES TO EVERYONE AFFECTED BY THE LOSE OF MR.BROADWAY, AND MY PRAYERS GO OUT TO EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU.*



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**LaShonda Burns** - May 06, 2013 at 05:33 AM

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*Thank you.*

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**Mrs. Beatrice Broadway** - May 02, 2014 at 06:51 PM

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“ Dear Broadway Family and Friends,  
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is fresh, even with the passage of much time. Thankfully, I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress. (Psalms83:18,Psalms65:2) Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again.(Isaiah 25:8) My family and I wish you and yours peace.(Phillipians4:7)

LISA - May 04, 2013 at 01:11 PM

DW

“ Diane Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Broadway



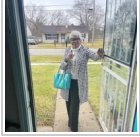
Diane Williams - May 03, 2013 at 09:09 AM

MS

“ Medical Coverage Services lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Broadway



medical coverage services - May 02, 2013 at 02:46 PM



“ *Precious Memories of Donald...Deepest Sympathy to the Family,,I Pray God provides you with strength and comfort in your time...of need.Blessings and Love,Janice Jones and Family~Texas~*



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**Janice Smith-Polite** - May 01, 2013 at 04:42 PM



“ *I am sorry for your loss my prayers are with you and your family*



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**Delores Childs** - May 01, 2013 at 12:48 PM