



## Mrs. Donnie M. Ross

September 6, 1936 - December 15, 2016

ROSS, Mrs. Donnie M. - Age 80, passed away Thursday, December 15, 2016 at McLaren-Flint. Family hour 10:00 AM Friday, December 23, 2016 at New Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 1601 Chippewa St., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Church 10:00 AM Friday. Mrs. Ross 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 with family present to receive friends from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Mrs. Donnie M. Ross was born September 6, 1936 in Newton Grove, North Carolina, the daughter of the late English and Sallie Bryant. She received her formal education in NC and accepted Christ as a member of Bentonville Disciples Church. While attending Johnston County High School, she displayed her talent on the basketball court as a Guard on the Girls Basketball Team and also as a member of the Choral Singing Choir. Along with her Sisters, Vernola and Dorothy, they formed a gospel group, "The Bryant Sisters", singing at various churches in North Carolina. In 1955, Mrs. Ross relocated to Flint, Michigan where she married W.C. Ross a few years later. From this union of 56 years, 3 sons were born, Calvin, Donald and Ronald. Mrs. Ross was also a devoted mother to her 2 step-children, Lillian and the late J.W. Upon relocating to Flint, she graduated from nursing school and began her career as a Registered Nurse at Hurley Medical Center. She also joined New Zion Baptist Church where she continued to display her musical

talent in the choir singing one of her favorite songs, "It Is Well." In addition to her talent on the court and in the choir, Mrs. Ross was also a Championship Bowler who traveled the country competing on a Team that included her sister, Flint Bowling Hall of Famer, Dorothy Peacock. Mrs. Ross was also an Entrepreneur, who used her creative talent to design and make clothing, hats, jewelry and centerpieces as Don Nel's Accessories. However, her greatest talent was her love for her family. She had a very special bond with her Best Friend and Sister, Dorothy and each of them cared for each other's children and were respected as Mothers by all. Both of them believed in family unity and made sure that the family reunited each year in North Carolina and that every Thanksgiving and Christmas was special. During her 8 years of illness, Mrs. Ross was cared for by her sons, Calvin and Ronald in North Carolina and most notably her devoted husband, W.C. and loving nephew, Larry Peacock.

Mrs. Donnie M. Ross leaves in God's care: husband, W.C.; 3 sons, Calvin of Charlotte, NC, Ronald and Donald (Dorothea) of Flint; step-daughter, Lillian Criss of Arkansas; 15 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Vernola (Elroy) Patterson and Janice Bryant. both of Washington, DC; 2 brothers, Alfred (Helen) of North Carolina and James Bryant; sister-in-law, Delores Bryant, both of New Jersey; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, other relatives and friends including special friends, Pat DeRamus and the New Zion Missionary Baptist Church family.

Mrs. Ross was preceded in death by her parents, Anglish and Sallie Bryant; 12 siblings; several in-laws, nephews, other family members and special friend Eva Shivers.

The family would like to express special thanks to the staff at the McLaren Acute Care Unit and visiting caregivers Sheila, Nakila and Glenda.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

DEC **22**. 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

DEC **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

New Zion Baptist Church  
1601 Chippewa St.  
Flint, MI

## Service

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DEC **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Zion Baptist Church  
1601 Chippewa St.  
Flint, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Donnie M. Ross*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Heather Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross*



**Heather Davis** - January 08, 2017 at 05:07 PM



“ *Tracie Brady lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross*



**Tracie Brady** - December 30, 2016 at 05:25 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to the Ross family for the loss of your loved one. May the God of all comfort you during this difficult time and may prayers and memories also comfort your heart and "make you firm," as you cope with your grief. ( 2 Thessalonians 2:16,17)*

**Linda C** - December 24, 2016 at 10:02 AM



“ I am so sorry 4 your loss Fam. I'm just seeing this on the website if Moon's u definitely have my CONDOLENCES @ my Prayers !!!! So sorry I didn't know !! R.I.P. Donnie till we meet again 💕 U ALL !



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**Joyce Beard** - December 24, 2016 at 08:40 AM



“ Our sincere condolences and prayers to the family of Mrs.Donnie  
  
*Benny& Mae Vern Spence*

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**Mae Vern** - December 23, 2016 at 10:49 AM



“ To uncle Dub, Cuz Lilian, Ronald, Donald, Shawn, and the rest. We just want to tell you all something that you already know, and that is that we love you and we care. If there is anything that we can do for you just ask. Keep this thought in mind, "Even though aunt Donnie is no longer with us, her loving memories will last forever". Sorrow may endure for a night, but joy shall come in the morning. Keep your hands in the hands of thee Lord.

*Love the Peacock family*

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**alton peacocl** - December 21, 2016 at 06:21 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross.*



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December 21, 2016 at 12:32 PM



“ *Ernestine Southerland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross*



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**Ernestine Southerland** - December 21, 2016 at 10:04 AM



*New Samaritan Baptist Church family send love and prayers to the Bryant & Ross families. Janice Bryant and Vernola Bryant Patterson are very dear members with us in Washington, DC. Your loss is being felt by many who care and we are lifting you up to the Lord for peace that will sustain you in the days to come and give you strength to endure. We are praying for you.*

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**Ernestine Southerland** - December 21, 2016 at 10:11 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross.*



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December 20, 2016 at 04:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross.*



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December 19, 2016 at 01:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross.*



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December 19, 2016 at 10:16 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross.*



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December 19, 2016 at 09:02 AM



“ *Delphine Renee Hooker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Donnie M. Ross*



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**Delphine Renee Hooker** - December 18, 2016 at 08:42 PM

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“ To: WC, Calvin, Donald, Ronald and family  
God is our refuge and strength a very present  
help in time of trouble. (Psalm 46:1). Sorry we  
are unable to be with during this time but  
know that our thoughts and prayers are with  
you.

Love, Gloria, Ta-Nisha and Kevin Ross



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**Gloria Ross** - December 17, 2016 at 09:27 PM

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My condolences to the family. May Jehovah the God of all comfort (2  
Cor.1:2-3) Comfort your family at painful time. He will give you make  
strong( 1Peter 5:10)

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**CharlieMae Traeye** - December 27, 2016 at 05:50 AM