



Mrs. Earlene Barbee

January 30, 1920 - August 24, 2013

BARBEE, Mrs. Earlene - age 93, passed away Saturday, August 24, 2013 at her residence. Family hour 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 31, 2013 at Foss Avenue Baptist Church, 1159 E. Foss Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Bishop J.Y. Tyrce, officiating, Pastor Reginald Flynn, Host Pastor. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Mrs. Barbee will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 2-8 p.m Friday with family present from 4-6 p.m.

In loving memory of Mrs. Lawrence "Earlene" Barbee who was born in Ulm, Arkansas on January 30th in the year 1920. Her mother was Lawrence L. Tardy and her father was Luther J. Tardy, as well of Ulm, Arkansas. Earlene married Mr. Arthur Barbee Jr. of Chickasaw County in the State of Mississippi on May 19th in the year 1941. They celebrated seventy two years of marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Barbee moved to Flint, Michigan after their loving daughter, Norma was born.

Earlene leaves to cherish her memory: a loving husband, Mr. Arthur Barbee Jr.; devoted daughter, Norma Fairhurst; four grandchildren, The eldest grandchild, Jacqueline Earlene, her grandson's Donald, Norman Jr., and Lisa Barbee Reed, nee Fairhurst, and her husband Andre "Taco" Reed. Earlene

also left behind six great grandchildren, Ryan Spencer, Willy Wright, Jaquane, Chesley Dominique, Lauren Lisa Marie, Norman Spencer III, and a great, great grandson Noah Fairhurst, her GOD daughters, Tamika and Jill, and special mention of Carl Thompson, who was like a son to Earlene. Her living siblings include Savannah Johnson of Malvern, AR, and Teresa Delph of Jackson, MI, Magdalene Armistead of Chicago, IL. Her in-laws include, Emilee Troutman, Sarah Faire, Rome Barbee Alice Barbee, and Imogene Barbee.

Earlene spent many years active in the St. James Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Flint, MI. She touched many lives through her caring, loving ways. She enjoyed many years participating in fellowship and was the first Missionary President for the mid Michigan district and served for twenty years. She also served on the board of trustees, and the stewardess board and class leader Earlene developed many programs that still exist and was a great organizer and fund raiser for various events and causes. Earlene was an inspiration to many and had many longtime friends. Earlene's thirty year career at the Hurley Medical Center she started in August of the year 1950 as a housemaid. She was then promoted to a supervisory position within that department. Even as a supervisor in charge of her department, Earlene always kept her maternal affect. Her employees spoke well of her and said she was always approachable and kept a humble attitude toward others. In her spare time, she spent many hours gardening, and playing bridge. She enjoyed cooking for and spending time with her loving family.

The family would like to express special thanks to Mercy Plus Homecare Services, Heartland Hospice Care, Saint James Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, Pastor and Mrs. Reginald G. Flynn and Foss Avenue Baptist Church Family both of Flint, MI, New Christ Community Church of Saginaw, MI.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 30. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Inc., Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-6666
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com
<https://lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

Family hour

AUG 31. 10:30 AM (ET)

Foss Ave. Baptist Church
1159 E. Foss Ave.
Flint, MI 48505

Service

AUG **31**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Earlene Barbee*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *L.Mosley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee*



L.Mosley - September 18, 2013 at 08:03 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the family of Earlene Barbee. Please accept our sincere condolence for the loss of your loved one. Life will be quite a challenge without them in our lives. Please, know that Jehovah God is a strong refuge for those grieving because of the loss of a family member. He is near to those "crushed at heart" and "broken in spirit" (Psalms 9:9). May you have strength and peace during this time of great loss.*

Williams Family - September 02, 2013 at 09:42 AM



“ *May the family find the consolation in the "power beyond what is normal," to go from day to next. " Be that of God and not that out of ourselves." (2 Corinthians 4:7) You have my deepest sympathy.*

Deborah Gipson - August 31, 2013 at 10:36 AM

CB

“ *Cherry L. Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee*



Cherry L. Brown - August 30, 2013 at 11:21 AM



“ *I would like to send my deepest sympathy to the barbee family. Aunt earlene has always treated me with kindness and a warm welcome i will miss her dearly, may she rest in sweet heaven, she was a genuine soul. I, love you aunt earlene and i miss you dearly. Love your neice neechy goochl*

Sarena Gooch - August 30, 2013 at 08:21 AM

DS

“ *Deidre Spight~Woodson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee*



Deidre Spight~Woodson - August 29, 2013 at 08:05 PM

DS

*Norma, we are so sorry to hear if the passing if your Mom. We pray GOD'S peace and strength to you and your Family.
Your neighbors,
Harold Deidre and Maya Woodson*

Deidre Spight~Woodson - August 29, 2013 at 08:08 PM

TB

“ Terry Brannon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee



Terry Brannon - August 28, 2013 at 09:05 PM

PF

“ Patricia Farmer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee



Patricia Farmer - August 28, 2013 at 11:06 AM

MP

“ Melva Payton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee



Melva Payton - August 27, 2013 at 08:50 AM



“ *The memory that sticks out when I think about Mrs. Barbee, is the times when I use to go with Lisa over to her house for Lisa could cook her and Mr. Barbee dinner. I remember she use to have a heart melting smile as she talked and watched Lisa cook. They had such an amazing bond. She was a very sweet person to be around. Mrs. Barbee left a stamp in all our lives, someway or another and that's something that we can always take with us. Rest up Mrs. Barbee.*

LaShawnda Johnson - August 26, 2013 at 09:48 PM

AB

“ *Althea Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee*



Althea Barbee - August 26, 2013 at 06:59 PM

KE

“ As I entered my thirties I often thought of those in my childhood who always treated me special. One of them was Mrs. Barbee. She always welcomed me into her home and tolerated my excessive phone calls to her grand- daughter, Lisa. I know Mrs. Barbee lived a long fruitful life, but my heart is still heavy. I appreciated her and her husband for giving me the one thing that only the heart can offer, kindness.

May her family find comfort in the Lord....

Love Always,

Kenya McHenry and family

Kenya - August 26, 2013 at 02:22 PM

TT

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ttt - August 26, 2013 at 02:20 PM

TH

“ *Tamika Harden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee*



Tamika Harden - August 26, 2013 at 12:02 PM

LB

“ Lynn Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earlene Barbee



Lynn Barbee - August 26, 2013 at 10:21 AM

KA

“ I extend my deepest and sincerest condolences to the Barbee family as you mourn the loss of your dear Mrs. Barbee. She was indeed a loving and kind-hearted person with a soft-spoken voice whom I met several years ago at Flint Municipal Credit Union. I will miss her dearly. May you find comfort and peace in knowing that she is resting safe in His arms. Karmen Williams

KARMEN - August 24, 2013 at 05:29 PM

LI

“ Dear Barbee 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 tremendous, even with the passage of 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 according to Psalms 83:18, and Psalms 65:2. Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again, as promised at John 5:28.29 and Isaiah 25:8. My family and I wish you and yours peace.

Lisa - August 24, 2013 at 03:01 PM