



Ms. Earnestean Holmes

October 25, 1938 - November 12, 2016

HOLMES, Ms. Earnestean - Age 78, passed away Saturday, November 12, 2016 at McLaren-Flint. Memorial service 11:00 AM, Saturday, November 19, 2016 at New Beginnings Ministries, G-5227 Beecher Rd. Apostle Clarence Lewis officiating. Family and friends will assemble at the church 11:00 AM Saturday. There will be no public viewing.

Age 78 of Flint, Michigan passed away Saturday, November 12, 2016 at McLaren Hospital. She was born October 25, 1938 in Stuttgart, Arkansas to E. Hollis Holmes and Lucenia Taylor Holmes. Earnestean graduated from Flint Central High School and then went on to receive an Associate Degree in Fashion and Design from Academy Nvart Couture Design in Southfield, MI. She received an early retirement from General Motors Personnel with more than 25 years of service. Since her retirement she volunteered extensively in the community with Urban League Black Scholars, Flint Inner City Golf League, African American Quilters, Flint Institute of Arts as a Docent and the trustee board, Friends of the Flint Public Library, Genesee County Counting Board, and worked on the committee to re-elect President Obama. In 2013 she received her Bachelor of Arts degree in African Studies from the University of Michigan-Flint. She received volunteer awards from the Urban League, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Zeta Beta Omega Chapter, Michigan Quilt Network, Left Bank Gallery, Greater Flint Arts Council, Flint Institute of Arts, Outstanding Community Volunteer, University of Michigan and the

Golden Key International Honor Society-University of Michigan –Flint.
Earnestean was an avid fiber artist who created designs of texture in multi-media prints, note cards, story book quilts and art quilts. She taught students in the community about other cultures, and to learn about their history and heritage through the art of quilting, music and folklore. In addition, she was a master quilter. In 2005, she was the winner of the Michigan All Media Invitational at the Left Bank Gallery.

She is survived by son Darryl (Joy) Holmes, daughter in law Valerie Williams-Holmes, grandchildren, Michael Holmes Jr., Cherese (Sam) Shannon, Nicole Holmes and Milan Holmes, Great-grandchildren DeAndre Upchurch and Marcus Holmes, brother Bernard (Virgina) Holmes, brother in law Dr. Cullian Hill, sisters Hazel (Billy) Bradshaw and Bernadine Walker, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends. She was preceded in death by parents E. Hollis and Lucenia Holmes, sister Lucille Hill, son Michael Holmes Sr.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **19**. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Beginnings Ministries
G-5227 Beecher Rd.
Flint, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Earnestean Holmes*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *To the Holmes Family;
Sorry to learn of the loss of Earnestean. She
was a wonderful friend during our days at GM
Parts. "The lord is near to all who call on Him
in truth..." Psalm 145: 18-19*



Jerome Richardson - November 25, 2016 at 10:49 PM



“ *Derry and Joy our GOD is a good GOD he know my sister was in
pain he has a beautiful angel sitting beside him my prayer are with
you and the family. She is watching over you and she will always be
in our heart ❤️ so keep GOD first and he will keep his arms around
you and walk every step with you. Love ❤️ both 🙏🙏
Tiny Presnall*

tiny presnall - November 18, 2016 at 06:50 PM



“ *Renae Williams-Detroit MI sent a virtual gift in
memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Renae Williams-Detroit MI - November 18, 2016 at 03:45 PM

VL

“ To Daryl and Joy and the entire Holmes Family, my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time!!! Praying God's peace, comfort and strength as you remember your Mom in the days ahead!!! May you find solace in the memories you all shared!!!



Valerie Leslie & Family

Valerie Leslie - November 18, 2016 at 11:53 AM

EW

“ Emma Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes



Emma Williams - November 18, 2016 at 07:12 AM



“ Robbie Grier sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes



Robbie Grier - November 18, 2016 at 03:46 AM



“ *Robbie Grier sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Robbie Grier - November 18, 2016 at 03:45 AM



“ *Robbie Grier sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Robbie Grier - November 18, 2016 at 03:43 AM



“ *Daisy Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Daisy Johnson - November 17, 2016 at 08:30 PM



“ *God has truly received a wonderful angel in his Kindom and I have lost a wonderful friend. May God bless you during this difficult time.*

Ernelle Taylor - November 17, 2016 at 06:26 PM

GE

“ *Gail P Edwards lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Gail P Edwards - November 17, 2016 at 04:58 PM

KO

“ *Kym Oliver lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Kym Oliver - November 17, 2016 at 09:22 AM

CT

“ *Cleo Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Cleo Thompson - November 16, 2016 at 07:36 PM

JF

“ *Bernard & Sonya Jackson & family Darryl, Joy and Milan we are praying for you during this difficult time.. God is a comforter*



Jackson family - November 16, 2016 at 12:53 PM

LR

“ We have beautiful memories of Earnestean and I am grateful to have known her.

Lorene Randall & Family



lorene randall - November 16, 2016 at 11:16 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Earnestean Holmes.



November 16, 2016 at 08:43 AM

DM

“ Darrell and Joi: I will miss Ernestine. I know she is with the Lord now & her suffering is now over .

Dolores McGowan - November 16, 2016 at 08:41 AM

LW

“ Linda J Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes



Linda J Williams - November 16, 2016 at 06:51 AM

LW

Remembering the family of a "beautiful soul" in prayer

Linda J Williams - November 16, 2016 at 06:53 AM

GE

To the family of Earnestean, you are in my prayers during this most difficult time. My you find peace and grace in the coming days. Gail P. Edwards, Griffin, GA

Gail P Edwards - November 17, 2016 at 04:58 PM

MW

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the family .Ernie was my quilting mentor and she will truly be missed.*



Maggie Williams - November 15, 2016 at 07:57 PM

SP

“ *Sheryl Payton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Sheryl Payton - November 15, 2016 at 12:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Earnestean Holmes.*



November 15, 2016 at 11:45 AM



“ Prayers and fond memories are what we have to remember our dearly departed. May the love of family and friends comfort you during these difficult days, my most heartfelt condolences.

Donnell Carr - November 15, 2016 at 08:19 AM

BM

“ Brigette Moore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes



Brigette Moore - November 15, 2016 at 06:54 AM

AC

“ Al & Lil Collins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes



Al & Lil Collins - November 14, 2016 at 06:53 PM

DO

“ Deloris Odom lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes



Deloris Odom - November 14, 2016 at 03:39 PM

DB

“ My sympathy to the family of Mrs. Holmes .
The death of a loved one can cause difficult
times that's not easy to get through , but
through God and prayer I found comfort from
the words at 1Thessalonians : 4:13,14 that
gave me real hope and the strength to keep going and to endure
this difficult time.



Daisy M Boone - November 14, 2016 at 01:59 PM

KV

“ We are all so sorry to hear of your loss.
~ Kimberly Vernon

Kimberly Vernon - November 14, 2016 at 12:16 PM

DJ

“ Rest in peace Nancine Jackson



D. Nancine Jackson - November 14, 2016 at 11:57 AM

SR

“ Sharon Robertsons lit a candle in memory of
Ms. Earnestean Holmes



Sharon Robertsons - November 14, 2016 at 11:21 AM



“ *My sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family! I have fond memories of times shared with Earnestean. She is our family as well. A very close friend and mentor of sorts. May God bless you all during this time and the days to come. No more suffering, Earnestean! Family, trust God!*



Love,
Cerese

Cerese Simpson Pennington - November 14, 2016 at 10:51 AM

WR

“ *Wendy D. Ross lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Wendy D. Ross - November 14, 2016 at 07:45 AM

CE

“ *Carletta E. Evans lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Carletta E. Evans - November 14, 2016 at 07:44 AM

IH

“ *Iris Hare lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Iris Hare - November 13, 2016 at 08:50 PM

MB

“ *Michelle Brock lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Michelle Brock - November 13, 2016 at 12:59 PM

TR

“ *Timika Robertson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Timika Robertson - November 13, 2016 at 08:07 AM

CT

“ *Our condolences go out with deep sympathy to the Holmes family. Sweet, caring woman.*



Cleo Thompson - November 12, 2016 at 07:29 PM

MP

“ *Marva Perkins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Earnestean Holmes*



Marva Perkins - November 12, 2016 at 06:34 PM

BM

Love you and will be missed Brigette Moore and family.

Brigette Moore - November 15, 2016 at 07:04 AM