



Mrs. Earsalene Cooper

November 7, 1944 - March 1, 2018

COOPER, Mrs. Earsalene - Age 73, passed away Thursday, March 1, 2018 at Hurley Medical Center. Family Hour 10:00 AM Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at House of Prayer Baptist Church, 1851 W. Carpenter Rd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM., Pastor Michael Hays, officiating, Rev. Kenneth Stewart, Host Pastor. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and Pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Wednesday. Mrs. Cooper will lie in state at the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed 12:00 PM -8:00 PM Tuesday.

Earsalene Zera was sent from the loving thoughts of God on Tuesday, November 7, 1944, as the second daughter to Theodis and Arquilla Wallace. She enjoyed seventy three (73) robust, rambunctious, and spirited years before she transitioned to Paradise at 4:00 a.m. on March 1, 2018, from Hurley Medical Center in Flint, Michigan. A fascinating, unique, and inquisitive child Red (her childhood nickname given because of her skin tone and her temperament) received her early childhood and primary education at Andrew Elementary School and her secondary education at Merrill High School, Pine Bluff, Arkansas. Soon after graduating high school she enrolled in and graduated from Brown's Beauty College where she was awarded certification in Cosmetology. Amid freedom protests, atom bombs, flower power, and a nation divided by war she moved to Flint, Michigan and was found by Jim Lee

Cooper to be his wife in the Spring of 1970. Truly this union received the blessings from God's promise that "He who finds a wife, finds a good thing and obtain favor of the Lord." Blue (as dubbed by her husband) and Joe were blessed with four amazing children.

Blue was a devoted wife and mother as well as an entrepreneur. She worked as an independent hair stylist for Mr. John's Beauty Shop until she secured a position at Hurley Medical Center. Cooper (as she was called by her older sister and co-workers) worked several years at Hurley until medical issues caused her to undergo back surgery. Although she was no longer able to work, high spirited, energetic, strong-willed, and feisty Earsalene Cooper enjoyed her life. She was a roadster who loved the freedom of the highway and often ventured on shopping sprees to Canada, Detroit, and New York. And it was just a word for her and Jim to pile their children in the car and head to Arkansas for a visit with the folks. She was christened Upset by Gloria Stoudamire and her youngest sister while successfully coaching them to become young women of character with style, poise, and integrity. As she, too, was stylish, snappy, snazzy, sassy, and sophisticated. Upset and Jim's home was opened to many family and friends who needed lodging until they were able to stand alone. Their home was the starting point for a new chapter of life for each of her sisters and they are grateful. Her spiritual life began at the age of twelve (12) when she believed the Gospel of Christ and was baptized. She joined Prairie Lake Missionary Baptist Church with her parents and siblings and remained a member until she moved to Flint and united with Mt Calvary Baptist Church. A faithful congregant for years, however, her latter years were spent as a member of The House of Prayer where she supported diverse internal organizations and was positioned as a Mother on the Mother's Board. She was a proud member of The Red Hat Society, a group for like-minded women over the age of fifty (50) to enrich lives through the power of fun and friendship. She also joined the Happy Hurley Retirees.

Earsalene Cooper was addressed by many names during her seventy three years and each lovingly and befittingly described her character, sentiment, charity, compassion, and thankfulness. She shared her strengths and wisdom as she poured into the lives of others. Her wisdom quote for her children and grandchildren was “learn all you can, while you can!” And her personal quote was, “this world doesn’t owe me anything!” She lived life as if she knew in her latter years she would be stricken with a crippling disease that would prohibit her freedom of movement, her liberal speech, and her expressions of love for her family and friends who were dear to her.

These terms of endearment describe the gracious and magnificent heart of Earsalene Zera Wallace Cooper: Red, Blue, Cooper, Mom, Auntie Lene, Granny, Upset. Rest in the comfort of the Master’s arms our adoring, loving, vivacious, bubbly, energetic, and dynamic wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, aunt, friend.

Left to remember her life are her husband of 47 years, Jim Lee Cooper, Sr., four children, Linda Simmons (Grand Blanc, MI), Carlos Glenn Cooper (Florida), Wendy Patrice Cooper (Flint), and Jim Lee Cooper, Jr. (Lanora) of Burton, Michigan; four sisters, Mother Larfayette Hayes (Flint), Barbara Pearson (California), Erma Tillmon and Joyce Wallace Baxter (Texas), Six grandchildren, Shatia Rison (Grand Blanc), Ta’Sheika Bennett (Texas), Ja’Nel Jamerson (Flint), Kalin Ware (Flint), Ryen Cooper (Atlanta, GA), Gabrielle Cooper (Burton, MI), six great grand: Mariyah, Alasa, Alani, Jayce, Shannon, and Makhi, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 6. 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

MAR 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

House of Prayer Missionary Baptist Church
1851 W. Carpenter Rd.
Flint, MI

Service

MAR 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Mary Huddleston lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Mary Huddleston - March 29, 2018 at 12:01 AM



“ *Rosalind Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Rosalind Smith - March 13, 2018 at 04:48 PM



“ *Tonya Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Tonya Brown - March 10, 2018 at 07:38 AM

CS

“ Carolyn Spight lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



carolyn Spight - March 10, 2018 at 12:32 AM

ND

“ My heartfelt condolences goes out to the Cooper family.... Mrs. Cooper was an amazing woman, continue to lean on God because that is the best medicine in the world for peace, comfort and strength. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.. Natasha Diggs



Natasha Diggs - March 09, 2018 at 03:43 AM

JH

“ May you wake in the arms of God and may God continue to surround the family with strength, peace and love



JoAnn Harris - March 08, 2018 at 03:59 PM

SM

“ I know you are in Heaven Earsalene
...quoting verses and reading the bible.. I pray
you are resting well and talking to Gloria our
friend ...Hope you retain the nickname we
gave you ..(Scripture) because no matter
what..you had a scripyure for the matter..It was so nice serving on
the Missionary Board with you and I will continue in your honor...



Sandra Merriweather - March 08, 2018 at 03:53 PM

MD

“ Mr Willie Dennis lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



Mr Willie Dennis - March 08, 2018 at 01:55 PM

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LG

“ Leroy & Cleola Griffis sent a virtual gift in
memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



Leroy & Cleola Griffis - March 07, 2018 at 10:39 PM

YF

“ Yvonne Brown Jones & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



Yvonne Brown Jones & Family - March 07, 2018 at 09:36 AM

KF

“ Ken & Cleo Flourney lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



Ken & cleo flourney - March 07, 2018 at 04:21 AM

TD

“ Love you forever cousin rest in heaven

Teresa Dumas - March 07, 2018 at 01:29 AM

LB

“ Lisa Bankston lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



Lisa Bankston - March 07, 2018 at 01:27 AM

MR

“ Our prayers and condolences to the Cooper family. Also to her sister Missionary Lafayette Hayes. Much love to you.

Marzuq & Laura Rahmaad - March 06, 2018 at 11:21 PM

SM

“ To my family make the sweet-bless-beautiful n precious memories of Cuz Earselene bring comfort n peace during this time... may God forever bless you... luv u much !!!



Shirley Miller - March 06, 2018 at 08:49 PM



“ Luwanda Cooper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



Luwanda Cooper - March 06, 2018 at 08:34 PM

LB

“ Lorene Bolden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



Lorene Bolden - March 06, 2018 at 02:22 PM

TW

“ Tracy Wansley-Hodge lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



Tracy Wansley-Hodge - March 05, 2018 at 09:18 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper.*



March 05, 2018 at 06:36 PM



“ *Brenda Fluker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Brenda Fluker - March 05, 2018 at 05:52 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper.*



March 05, 2018 at 12:26 PM



“ *Mary Randle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper.*



Mary Randle - March 05, 2018 at 11:50 AM

CG

“ *Carol Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Carol Gardner - March 05, 2018 at 06:52 AM

PL

“ *Phyllis Brown Leslie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Phyllis Brown Leslie - March 05, 2018 at 12:02 AM

MM

“ *Our condolences are with you all. Ms. Tasheka we love you. From Pastor Brown, Lady Frances and the Kingdom Academy teachers.*

Mrs. Tamiko Mason - March 04, 2018 at 10:23 PM



“ *Michel Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Michel Taylor - March 04, 2018 at 05:20 PM



I am so sorry for your loss, Earsalene was a very sweet lady with a beautiful smile. May God comfort the Cooper family and Friends

Michel Taylor - March 04, 2018 at 05:22 PM

EJ

“ *Eddie Mae James sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Eddie Mae James - March 04, 2018 at 04:50 PM

CG

“ *Carol Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Carol Gardner - March 03, 2018 at 10:05 PM

IH

“ *Iris Nita Hare lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Iris Nita Hare - March 03, 2018 at 03:32 PM

RC

“ *Rahsheem Covington lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Rahsheem Covington - March 02, 2018 at 11:55 PM

NJ

“ *Nancine Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Nancine Jackson - March 02, 2018 at 08:31 PM

HC

“ *Hettie Collins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper*



Hettie Collins - March 02, 2018 at 08:20 PM



“ *MY DEEPLY CONDOLENCES FOR YOUR LOSS KEEPING YOUR FAMILY IN PRAYER FOR STRENGTH AND COMFORT*



Johanna Houston - March 01, 2018 at 11:21 PM

EW

“ *Sending my condolences and prayers to the family*

*From
Eleanor (Grover)Wicker and family*



eleanor wicker - March 01, 2018 at 10:06 PM

JJ

“ Joann Jordan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Earsalene Cooper



joann jordan - March 01, 2018 at 09:06 PM

TW

“ *Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing,
But a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised.
Give her of the fruit of her hands,
And let her own works praise her in the gates.*”

Those few words sum up my dear Aunt Earsalene Wallace- Cooper.

This morning she transitioned from labor to reward and I am thankful that she lived a beautiful life.

Thank you for sharing so much with me and letting me know that you were always pulling for me! Thank you for being a wonderful example of a Christian and the very best Aunt in the world!

Rest Well! You Deserve it!!!!

Your Handsome a Nephew Tim

Tim Wallace - March 01, 2018 at 07:54 PM



Mrs Cooper you are a beautiful example of a mother a beautiful example of a woman a woman of class and a woman of God how I looked up to you growing up rest in heaven you deserve the best and walking by God it's only for the best thank you for all your support why growing up with the growing pains it hurts me that I can't be there today but know I love you all the same

Joanne Rowlerly - March 07, 2018 at 08:42 AM

CA

“ Wishing the family the best at this time,we are reaching out to you to let you know we are praying for you, the support you give to one another can help easy the pain, never forget the God of comfort is just a pray away. 2cor 1:3,4

concern for all - March 01, 2018 at 08:54 AM