

Mr. Edward Lee Lawson

September 24, 1945 - March 11, 2017

LAWSON, Mr. Edward Lee - Age 71, passed away Saturday, March 11, 2017 at The Oaks at Woodfield in Grand Blanc, MI. Funeral service 10:30 AM Friday, March 17, 2017 at Grace Emmanuel Baptist Church, 3502 Lapeer Rd., Rev. Dr. Marvin A. Jennings Sr. Host Pastor. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Mr. Lawson 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 a Wake from 6:00 PM- 8:00 PM.

Mr. Edward Lee Lawson of Grand Blanc, Michigan was born September 24, 1945 in Utica, Mississippi, to the late Addie Mae Currie. The youngest of two children, he accepted Christ and was baptized at a young age.

After finishing high school, Ed graduated from Utica Junior College and later earned an Associate Degree. He then moved north to Flint, Michigan in 1965 and started working on the assembly line at General Motors. Shortly thereafter, he was drafted to the United States Army where he was stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas for two years. After an Honorable Discharge he returned to work at General Motors where he held several positions and was very active with UAW Local #599. After several promotions he retired as a Benefit Representative from General Motors in 2016 with over 51 years of dedicated service. He was loved and respected by many of his work colleagues because of his willingness to go above and beyond to meet their

needs. In addition to offering solutions to problems and he was always willing to offer advice - both professional and personal.

Ed was proud to be recognized as a charter member of Ebenezer Baptist Church, under the leadership of the late Reverend Clarence Knox. He helped this church grow to what is now known as Ebenezer Ministries. In 1973 he became a member of Pentecostal Tabernacle Church of God in Christ (COGIC). Ed faithfully served as the church administrator for over 40 years. In 1974 he became Deacon Lawson and under his financial leadership there were many accomplishments which included two mortgage burnings One when the church was paid off and the second after the addition of the Fellowship Hall. Deacon Lawson was influential in the purchase of several surrounding properties in the neighborhood to benefit the church. During all of his years of service, Deacon Lawson always had the church's best interest at heart. He was truly one of the instrumental pioneers of Pentecostal Tabernacle Church Of God In Christ. Ed's commitment didn't stay within the walls of the church house, he exemplified a true spirit of service. Outside of work he was very active in the community, serving as a former delegate of the Democratic National Committee. Ed mentored many and was always willing to provide a helping hand as a true master of many trades. Ed lived the motto: "always do things decent and in order."

Above all, his number one priority was his family. He prided himself on being dependable and a leader in his family. He truly honored God as the Head of the House. Ed met the love of his life - Rose and remained committed to her for over 50 years. He loved her and wanted to ensure her happiness by being a wonderful friend and husband. Unto this union three daughters were born. A proud father of five, Ed enjoyed attending family functions and was there to serve and provide for them as well.

He was affectionately known as "Paw Paw" by all of his grandchildren and

each of them gave him joy in their own unique and special way. Ed also adored and loved his extended family to include the Cooper, Thomas, and Dixon families. He never met a stranger or person in need that he wouldn't offer his help.

In addition to faith and family, Ed looked forward to spending time with his friends. He shared some special times with Eddie Charles Fields, Donald Brown, and Bill Epps. Ed enjoyed spending time with his friends; whether attending his grandson Joshua's sporting events, enjoying breakfast outings or just talking. He appreciated their love, support and friendship until GOD called him home.

Mr. Edward Lee Lawson leaves to cherish his memory: a loving wife, Rose; 5 children, Valarie (Elijah) Paige, Refuge "RL" (Sharon) Hamilton, all of Utica, MS, Tania (Stacey) Henderson of Farmington Hills, MI, Kendra Lawson of Round Rock, TX and Shaela Lawson of Washington, DC; 7 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; a host of other relatives, special friends, and loved ones.

Mr. Lawson was preceded in death by his mother Addie Mae Currie; grandparents, Henry and Bertha Lawson; and brother, William James Lawson.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR **16**. 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>

Wake

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Service

MAR 17. 10:30 AM (ET)

Grace Emmanuel Baptist Church
3502 Lapeer Rd.
Flint, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Thanks Edward, for being a wonderful husband, and a phenomenal, “girl’s daddy”. From Eddie Edwards’ daughter! Carolyn Edwards... the Henderson’s friend!*



Carolyn Edwards - March 10, 2023 at 10:48 PM



“ *Marlene Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



marlene hicks - March 27, 2017 at 11:39 PM



“ *Excelento (Jube) Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Excelento (Jube) Davis - March 18, 2017 at 04:53 PM

RW

“ Rudy & Geneva Ward lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Rudy & Geneva Ward - March 18, 2017 at 11:30 AM

JG

“ Edward and I were classmates and graduated together from Utica High School. We shared many memories when we met in 2013 for our 50th high school reunion. He will be truly missed by all of the class. Jurist Craft Green.

Jurist Craft Green - March 17, 2017 at 08:39 PM

BF

“ Bettie Flowers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Bettie Flowers - March 17, 2017 at 06:20 PM

SP

“ It saddens are heart to hear of the passing of your loved one. You are in are thoughts and prayers. May God comfort and keep you in HIS peace. Love Stacey Pryor-Marve



Stacey Pryor-Marve - March 17, 2017 at 11:20 AM

RS

“ *Renita Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Renita Smith - March 17, 2017 at 05:53 AM

DT

“ *Dessie Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Dessie Taylor - March 17, 2017 at 02:06 AM

MR

“ *God has called another soldier home. To the Lawson family we extend our sincere condolences. We remember the great times we shared at Buick, Union hall & church.*
Marzuq & Laura Rahmaad

Marzuq & Laura Rahmaad - March 16, 2017 at 08:17 PM

TP

“ *T. Rowe Price purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.*



T. Rowe Price - March 16, 2017 at 04:14 PM

LP

“ Please know that my family and I are praying for you and the childrens. We love you and God bless and strengthen you for the journey, Evang. Linda Pryor

Linda Pryor - March 16, 2017 at 03:58 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.



March 16, 2017 at 02:32 PM

AM

“ Annette & Warren Marks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Annette & Warren Marks - March 16, 2017 at 02:10 PM

DC

“ Extending deep and heartfelt sympathy to Tania, Stacey, Joshua and the entire Lawson Family. May God be with you and comfort you.

Dwight & Yvette Tucker Collins

Dwight & Yvette Tucker Collins - March 16, 2017 at 01:16 PM

MT

“ Milton And Yvonne Tucker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Milton and Yvonne Tucker - March 16, 2017 at 12:39 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 16, 2017 at 10:08 AM

MI

“ Michelle lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Michelle - March 16, 2017 at 09:49 AM

MI

There will always be a special kind of feeling when you think of your Husband, Father, Uncle and GrandDad. It will be a pleasure of joy that will always be in your heart with wonderful memories that you will forever own.~ Much Love to you!!!

Michelle - March 16, 2017 at 09:51 AM

PG

“ Pamela Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



pamela Gibson - March 16, 2017 at 05:45 AM

IR

“ Ivy Royster-Blount lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Ivy Royster-Blount - March 16, 2017 at 05:39 AM

SM

“ Steven Simmons, and Karmisha Miller-Wallace. purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.



Steven Simmons, and Karmisha Miller-Wallace. - March 16, 2017 at 12:49 AM

KC

“ Kermit And Genell Crain-Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Kermit and Genell Crain-Reeves - March 15, 2017 at 11:21 PM

SF

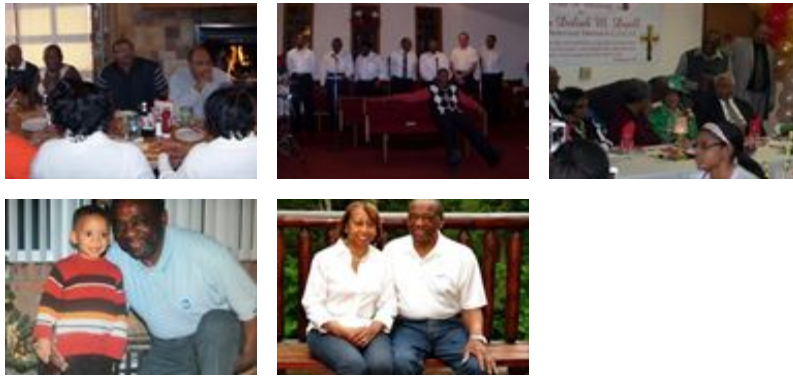
“ *Sandy T Neal And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Sandy T Neal and Family - March 15, 2017 at 08:47 PM



“ *51 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 15, 2017 at 06:28 PM

CK

“ *Rose and Family,*

I am so sad to learn of Ed's passing. He was such a kind neighbor; always willing to lend a hand or give a word of sound advice. Mike Workman always said that Ed was the best neighbor we ever had. I can still see him, in my mind's eye, mowing your lawn in his blue jumpsuit. A great man...our loss and heaven's gain. My most sincere sympathy to you all.

Cindy Workman Kittendorf

Cindy Workman Kittendorf - March 15, 2017 at 06:23 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.*



March 15, 2017 at 05:12 PM



“ *GLORIA MOSES-COLEN lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



GLORIA MOSES-COLEN - March 15, 2017 at 02:14 PM



“ *Hazel, Johnny, Mary, Tameaker and Pauline purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.*



Hazel, Johnny, Mary, Tameaker and Pauline - March 15, 2017 at 11:00 AM



“ *The ELC Work Crew - Roxanne, Mayra, Gena, & Nikki purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.*



The ELC Work Crew - Roxanne, Mayra, Gena, & Nikki - March 15, 2017 at 10:54 AM

GG

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Gwen Grant - March 15, 2017 at 10:08 AM

GG

“ *I Thank and Praise God for the quality time he allowed me to share with my cousin. I'll always hold dear in my heart how he and Rose would travel to Mississippi and thought enough of me to bring me back so I could spend the summer with the family. By doing this, it not only brought awareness to traveling experiences(places like Canada & Geauga Lake in Ohio just to name a few) but the ultimate and most important thing in life, taking me to church where I would be grounded in the word. I know he only wanted the best for his family and others(Action speaks louder than words ☐). At or around the age of 8 and 9, he would talk to me about how young girls should carry themselves. Today, I am a vessel for Christ and because of what he and Rose planted in my life I am forever grateful!!!!!! You will be forever in my heart, Your grateful cuz'n, Gwen*



Gwen Grant - March 15, 2017 at 09:56 AM

LC

“ *Lillian Chandler lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Lillian Chandler - March 15, 2017 at 09:45 AM

GG

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Gwen Grant - March 15, 2017 at 09:37 AM

WH

“ Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Wanda Harrison - March 15, 2017 at 09:13 AM

MW

“ Mardi Woods lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Mardi Woods - March 15, 2017 at 07:21 AM

MW

Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, I pray looking back on memories will help comfort your tomorrow.

Mardi Woods - March 15, 2017 at 07:23 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.*



March 15, 2017 at 05:43 AM

LF

“ *Linda Booth And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Linda Booth and Family - March 15, 2017 at 12:04 AM

DS

“ *Debora Stitt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Debora Stitt - March 14, 2017 at 10:52 PM

YM

“ *Your 1963 Classmates, Hinds AHS, Utica, MS purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.*



Your 1963 Classmates, Hinds AHS, Utica, MS - March 14, 2017 at 10:46 PM

1M

“ *Hinds Agricultural High School, Utica, MS, Class of 1963, salutes our deceased classmate, Edward Lee Lawson, who for fifty-four years, brought the experiences of the Utica Rosenwald, Mixon Jr. High and Hinds AHS schooldays into the exciting and fun-filled gatherings of our class and school reunions of today. Ed was an enthusiastic mingler and never ceased to be up for a robust conversation. Edward Lawson was the first to respond to the call to come home for our 50th Year Reunion in 2013, where we all enjoyed a once in a lifetime celebration with memories forever etched in the beat of our hearts and in the corners of our mind.*

And so it is with profound sadness that the Hinds AHS Class of 1963, Utica, MS, do hereby extend to the wife, Mrs. Rose Lawson and children, of our dearly departed classmate, Mr. Edward Lee Lawson, a united band of sympathy and support. Please know that our prayers for strength and comfort are covering you with God's eternal love as He declares His Almighty Grace and All Comforting power to enfold you. 2Corinthians1:3-4.

1963 Class of Hinds AHS, Utica, MS - March 14, 2017 at 08:04 PM

TG

“ *Tambra C. Gunn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Tambra C. Gunn - March 14, 2017 at 07:30 PM

PH

“ *Pat Robinson Hunter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Pat Robinson Hunter - March 14, 2017 at 07:20 PM

EF

“ *Elzie Dennis & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Elzie Dennis & Family - March 14, 2017 at 06:22 PM

VK

“ *To Rose Lawson & Family, my sincerest condolences to you and your family. I had worked with Ed over thirty years always a nice guy always helpful. Always giving advice, whether you wanted it or not. (Lol) 😊 God Bless you and the girls. Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, lean not to thy own understanding. Vivian and April Kelley. 🙏🙏*

Vivian Kelley - March 14, 2017 at 04:20 PM

DH

“ Dea. & Sis. Fred Horton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Dea. & Sis. Fred Horton - March 14, 2017 at 03:42 PM

AF

“ Our most heartfelt condolences go out to Rose and the family on the death of one of our most treasured classmates. Surely the class members knew that Ed Lawson was in the house before entering the door (Smile). Edward was a faithful, engaging soul who exhibited the epitome of a happy, fun-loving, generous, cooperative kind of kindred spirit who didn't mind cracking his side with a big ol' hearty laugh! May God's enraptured morning find all of His saints back together again in another grand reunion. Now, my brother, sleep in Heavenly Peace!
Eugene and Alma McPherson Fisher



Alma Fisher - March 14, 2017 at 03:21 PM

MT

“ We are praying you find comfort in the strength of your faith, and in the caring, love, and concerns of The Teamer Family. We are praying you find peace knowing Brother (Ed) Lawson is safe in the presence of God, and will always stay close to you in your heart because of the wonderful memories made in past years. Peace, Blessings and Love,
Mitch & Ella Teamer

Mitch Teamer - March 14, 2017 at 02:48 PM

JD

“ Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Jean Durrett - March 14, 2017 at 01:30 PM

TH

“ Tonja Horton-Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Tonja Horton-Bryant - March 14, 2017 at 12:22 PM

JO

“ As a child Mr. and Mrs. Lawson would watch over me as my(2nd parents,) I really appreciate the care they gave to me, such a nice neighbor to myself and my parents. may God bless the Lawson family...



R.I.P

JOANNE ROWLERY-EDO

joanne - March 14, 2017 at 11:00 AM

RW

“ Dear Sister Rose Lawson and Family;
My condolences and prayers go's out to you
daily. Deacon and Sister Lawson has given
me so much love and attention and made me
feel welcome at Pentecostal Tabernacle. I
want to thank you so much for the love they shared with me. They
where like my church mother and father. Brother Lawson, I'll see
you when I get to heaven. Taylor, always be a good girl and I miss
you Taylor.



Love Sister Rita Willingham-Person

Rita Willingham - March 14, 2017 at 10:43 AM

FD

“ Fernando & Teresa Davison lit a candle in
memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Fernando & Teresa Davison - March 14, 2017 at 09:13 AM

DC

“ Dwight & Yvette Collins lit a candle in memory
of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Dwight & Yvette Collins - March 14, 2017 at 08:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.*



March 14, 2017 at 07:35 AM



“ *To the family of Brother Ed Lawson, my condolences and prayers for you in his passing. I was just informed this morning by one of our former co-workers in TX. I retired in 2006 and moved to Arkansas after my Wife passed. Ed was our Benefits Rep. and a very blessed Brother. I'm the one who bought his daughter's little red S-10 pickup that had about 300k miles on it. I saw that truck about some 2 years ago in Detroit, still running!*

I would work on his vehicle from time to time, shop talk & laughed the time away. All I can say now is, Our God is able to see you through the days ahead if you trust Him. You definitely chose a very well respected and professional Funeral Home to service your Loved One, Brother Moon. God bless (Y'all) and may heaven smile upon (Y'all), Amen.

Anthony Wayne Hoskins - March 14, 2017 at 06:37 AM



“ *Leon Gould lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Leon Gould - March 14, 2017 at 06:18 AM

Ursa
Allen

“ Ursa Allen sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Ursa Allen - March 14, 2017 at 03:43 AM

SF

“ Senita Jackson & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Senita Jackson & Family - March 14, 2017 at 02:19 AM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.



March 13, 2017 at 11:03 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.



March 13, 2017 at 10:31 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson.*



March 13, 2017 at 08:04 PM



“ *Bill & Ruthy Quarles sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Bill & Ruthy Quarles - March 13, 2017 at 05:50 PM



“ *Sheila Johnson-Toins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Sheila Johnson-Toins - March 13, 2017 at 05:35 PM



“ *MY HEART GOES OUT TO HIS WIFE AND FAMILY AND HIS UNION. BROTHERS AND SISTERS HE WAS A GREAT. BENIFIT REP HE WILL BE TRULY MISS*

PRISCILLA. PRICE OKC OKLAHOMA - March 13, 2017 at 12:38 PM



“ Working with Ed at the union hall was really a great experience for myself and I'm sure for others as well. His easygoing personality and infectious smile was something that made the years go by so much more pleasantly. He will be dearly missed by those who knew him.

Bill Jordan - March 13, 2017 at 11:20 AM

DD

“ Deborah Dantzler-Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson



Deborah Dantzler-Harris - March 13, 2017 at 11:17 AM

FG

Sorry to here of Ed's passing. Prayers to the family. I was in basic training (Fort Knox) with him and knew him at Fisher Body #1. A salute to him.

Fred Guest - March 13, 2017 at 02:57 PM

MC

“ Praying Strength for the family! God be with you! 🙏



margaret hawkins campbell - March 12, 2017 at 04:43 PM

MB

“ *Marla Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Lee Lawson*



Marla Brooks - March 11, 2017 at 06:21 PM