



## Essie Lawler

February 16, 1929 - May 11, 2005

LAWLER, Mrs. Essie Mae - Age 76, passed away Wednesday, May 11, 2005 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing, MI. Family hour 10AM Saturday May 21, 2005 at Foss Ave. Baptist Church 1159 E. Foss Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11AM. Pastor Derrick Aldridge officiating. Interment River Rest Cemetery G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10AM Saturday. There will be no public viewing. Mrs. Essie Mae Lawler was born February 16, 1929 in Talladega, Alabama, the daughter of George and Phyllis Estelle. She was a resident of Flint for 57 years, and resident of Lansing for the past 10 months. Essie was well known for her good cooking and had blessed many with her good cooking skills. She was a retired cook from the Flint Golf Club, where she served for over 30 years. She was the founding President of the Foss Ave Area Block Club, and a member of the Foss Ave. Economic Development Corporation. Essie was a member of the Foss Ave. Baptist Church, for the past 40 years where she lovingly served on the Food Committee. Mrs. Lawler leaves to cherish her memory: daughter, Etta (Eld. Eric) Kemp of Lansing; sons, Donald Lawler of Austell, GA, Cornelius Lawler, Bernard (Mary C.) Lawler all of Flint, Raynard (Beverly E.) Lawler of Lilburn, GA; grandchildren, Hugh Jermaine, Aaron, Shannon, Quanisha, Keyla (Michael) Adams, Gabrielle and BJ Martin-Lawler, Donny Scott, Jacques Giles and Tywla Nelson all of Flint, Tanisha (John) Arrington of Ypsilanti, MI, Edward Lawler of Minneapolis, MN, Donte', Brandon and Derek Lawler of Lilburn, GA, Dominique and Danielle Kemp of Lansing; 7 great

grandchildren; 1 sister, Ada Mae Estelle of Albion, MI; 4 brothers, James (Mae Amber) Player of Sycamore, AL, Charles (Irene) Estelle of Jackson, MI, Phillip (Angela) Estelle, Jerome (Cathy) Estelle all of Talladega, AL; 5 precious friends for 30 years or more, Alma Quarles, Mary Chaney, Charles and Minnie Woods and Loretta Briggs; A very special cousin, Willie Chapman. Mrs. Lawler was preceded in death by her husband, Hugh Lawler; 3 sons, Hugh Lee, James David and Edward Charles Lawler; parents, George and Phyllis Estelle; 5 brothers, John Dee, William, Terry, George, Jr., and Wayne Estelle; 1 sister, Eva Shepard. The family would like to express special thanks to the Lawler, Duncan and Estelle families, Foss Ave. Baptist Church, New Harvest Baptist Church, Seventh Day Adventist Church, and City Temple of Detroit, MI, and the many devoted friends. [Click Here to View Tribute Video](#)

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“ *Essie Lawler*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Bernard and Family,*

*We are truly sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Kimberly & Arnold Brown** - May 11, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ *Best wishes and may god bless the family!*

**DeMona Willingham** - May 11, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ *May you be surrounded with care, and guarded always in the shelter of God's love. Keeping you in prayer through this time.*

*Love,  
Shalanda Golden & Brooklyn Golden*

**Shalanda Golden** - May 11, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ To my family, I just want you to know that I am standing with you in prayer knowing that God will bring this family through this time as he has brought us all through in the past. Be strong in the Lord and in the power of HIS might! Ms. Essie got to do something that many in this day and time are being denied and that is the opportunity to live life to the fullest. God blessed her with longevity and for that we are all grateful to God for his grace.

God has blessed me to go into full time ministry now and this would not have been able to come about had it not been for the awesome people who passed through and touched my life. Ms. essie always had a word of encouragment for me, always told me I she was praying for me, and had no problem prophecizing destiny in my life. I will forever thank God for the gift of the elders, especially Ms. Essie Lawler.

I love you all very much and inspite of everything, God is great and greatly to be Praised.

Minister Justin Ross-Hillard

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Minister Justin Ross-Hillard - May 11, 2005 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Bernard I was so sorry to hear that your mother had passed. I was very sorry that I did not make it to the funerl,however i needed to let you know that i am praying you and your familys strength in the lord. Remember that weeping may endure for a night however joy comes in the morning .Look to the hills from whence cometh your help.

May the good Lord continue to bless and keep you through this difficult time.

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lisa mitchner - May 11, 2005 at 12:00 AM