



Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson

April 23, 1933 - August 27, 2017

DOTSON, Mrs. Etta Walker - Age 84, passed away Sunday, August 27, 2017 at Heartland Healthcare-Fostorian in Flushing, MI. Family hour 10:00 AM Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, 424 Kennelworth Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM Rev. Ronald Wilson officiating. Interment Lovedale Memorial Cemetery, 5175 E. Bristol Rd., Burton, MI. Friends and family will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Wednesday. Mrs. Dotson 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 Tuesday.

Mrs. Etta Mae Walker Dotson was born on April 23, 1933 in Altheimer, Arkansas to Henry and Leonia Walker, Jr. Henry was a landowner and businessman as well as a well-respected leader of the Gethsemane, Arkansas community. Etta was the second youngest of twelve children and through the guidance of her parents began her walk with Christ at an early age. Upon moving to Flint, MI, Etta joined Mt. Olive Baptist Church where she was a faithful member. She eagerly participated in church activities, including morning worship service, Sunday School, and church programs. She was a cheerful giver. She participated in offerings to support church and community causes.

Etta loved learning. She earned her Bachelor of Arts from University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff and Master's Degree in Education from the University of

Michigan. She was an educator for the Flint Public School system, where she taught elementary education and special education. Etta promoted from the classroom to administration, and retired as an elementary school principal. Upon retirement, Etta continued to be an advocate for education in the Flint Public School system and in the greater Flint area.

Etta was very passionate about leadership and service. She was a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated for 66 years, where she not only gave back to the community but shared a sisterhood and friendship with women who became her second family. Etta not only gave to her community but she was a financial advisor of sorts, providing guidance to friends and family on ways to maximize earnings, save for retirement and live within your means. Her direction helped many in successfully raising their families and maintaining a comfortable lifestyle.

Etta loved spending time with her sons. She made sure her sons were active in sports, and oh did they keep her busy! Between the three, they played football, basketball, table tennis, badminton, swam, and ran track. Etta could enjoy watching the University of Michigan play any sport, but she especially enjoyed football. Her “Go Blue” chant was persistent and evidently irresistible as two of her sons and two of her grandchildren eventually matriculated to the fine university.

Etta had many hobbies, but she especially enjoyed sewing, cooking, and playing cards. While playing bridge and bid whist she was a fan of “trash talking”. A tendency that you rarely experienced in any other aspect of her life.

On Sunday, August 27, 2017 Etta made her transition to join her sons Gary and Jason who preceded her in death. She leaves to cherish her memory, 1 son, Mark (Laura); 9 grandchildren, Kellen (Angie), Ryan, LaVance (Colleen), Gary Jr., Laris, Cameron, Kai, Kaia and Kaonna; four great-grandchildren; one sister, Leanna; one brother, Alvin; 3 very special friends/Sorors, Darnita Evans, Celestia Bell and Linda Gulley who provided continuous love and support, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

The family would like to thank Mt. Olive Baptist Church and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated for the continuous love and support provided to Etta.

Cemetery Details

Lovedale Memorial Cemetery

G-5175 E. Bristol Rd.
Burton, MI

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP 5. 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

SEP 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church
424 Kennelworth Ave.
Flint, MI 48503

Service

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church
424 Kennelworth Ave.
Flint, MI 48503

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Doris Moore-White lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Doris Moore-White - September 10, 2017 at 01:12 AM



“ *Gwendolyn Bronson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Gwendolyn Bronson - September 06, 2017 at 04:59 PM



“ *God Bless the family Willie and Kulada Shannon*



Kulada Shannon - September 05, 2017 at 09:27 PM

PJ

“ *Jo 5:28,29- looking forward to the hope of the resurrection*

Pj - September 05, 2017 at 12:40 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson.*



September 05, 2017 at 09:10 AM

RW

“ *Oh my, I was just thinking about a Dewey School reunion thinking of all my wonderful Principals, Mr. Jones and Mrs. Dotson. I was wondering if they were still with us and I happened across this obituary. I'm so saddened I did not get the chance to tell Mrs. Dotson how much she influenced the students at Dewey Elementary School. My Mom who died in 2007 Mrs. Geraldine Hughey thought a lot of Mrs. Dotson and they both were hard workers together in our community making a huge impact on the students during the 60's and 70's. Thank you Mrs. Dotson, when God made Educators like you and many more in our district during this time period he broke the mold. Love you, appreciate you for your dedication to students and I will definitely see you at the top with Jesus I'm sure of that!*

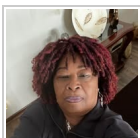
Regina Wortham - September 02, 2017 at 07:54 PM

EM

“ Eddie & Paulette McGhee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Eddie & Paulette McGhee - September 02, 2017 at 07:21 AM



“ Linda English lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Linda English - September 01, 2017 at 09:35 PM

MM

“ Maxine Murray lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Maxine Murray - September 01, 2017 at 07:03 PM

RH

“ Ruthi Hill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Ruthi Hill - September 01, 2017 at 12:02 PM

DR

“ *Deborah Allen Relerford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Deborah Allen Relerford - August 31, 2017 at 07:14 PM

DE

“ *Deborah lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Deborah - August 31, 2017 at 07:11 PM

LC

“ *Lolita Cummings Carson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Lolita Cummings carson - August 31, 2017 at 06:15 PM

SH

“ *Shirlene(White)Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Shirlene(White)Simmons - August 31, 2017 at 01:36 PM

HV

“ Hope Veasley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Hope Veasley - August 31, 2017 at 01:10 PM

BG

“ Brenda J. Greer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Brenda J. Greer - August 31, 2017 at 12:43 PM

AB

“ Althea J. Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Althea J. Barbee - August 31, 2017 at 11:35 AM

NJ

“ To the Dotson family you have my condolence may God grant you comfort as you lay your love one to rest., I use to babysit her 3 boys when she lived on the south side, met her though my cousin Patricia Harden when they were teaching together.

Norma Jones - August 31, 2017 at 10:54 AM

PK

“ Pamela Koutouzos lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Pamela Koutouzos - August 31, 2017 at 10:07 AM

DM

“ Debra A Miller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Debra A Miller - August 31, 2017 at 09:59 AM

DJ

“ Mrs. Dotson was my teacher at Emerson Junior High. She was a stern teacher and I am so grateful for the life lessons she taught me. I have often wondered about her. My sincere condolences to the Dotson family.

Sincerely,
Deborah Johnson - Shreveport, LA

Deborah Johnson - August 31, 2017 at 01:01 AM

JL

“ Jacqueline Lark-Porter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Jacqueline Lark-Porter - August 30, 2017 at 10:07 PM



“ *DeLano Mills lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*

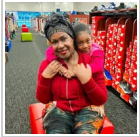


DeLano Mills - August 30, 2017 at 08:51 PM



“ *My Condolences to The Family! I remember Mrs. Dotson from Emerson Jr. High School! She was one of my favorite teachers! 💔*
🙏

sylvia Vickers Cabell - August 30, 2017 at 05:17 PM



“ *Michel Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Michel Taylor - August 30, 2017 at 04:29 PM



A Good and Faithful Servant, your job well done. I will always hold precious the memories of all the Christmas parties you gave at your house for your grand daughters when they were so young. Those were such FUN times, REST IN PEACE. May God comfort your family !

Michel Taylor - August 30, 2017 at 05:08 PM

MD

“ *Marcia Day lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Marcia Day - August 30, 2017 at 12:28 PM

MF

“ *Marcia Fair-Stevens lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Marcia Fair-Stevens - August 30, 2017 at 11:35 AM

MF

She was our Vice-Principal at Durant-Tuuri-Mott. She was firm but always so nurturing. You will be missed, Mrs. Dotson.

Marcia Fair-Stevens - August 30, 2017 at 11:37 AM

CK

“ *Claudette Kennedy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Claudette Kennedy - August 30, 2017 at 09:23 AM

LC

“ To the Dotson Family, I, we, are so sorry to hear about your moms passing Mrs Dotson was a loving, kind ,women who touched many lives, a lot of whom she didnt know she touched but she did, including mine and my two daughters, the Dotson family are in our prayers.....God bless you all....Leonard, Alix, ,Ashli Copeland.



Leonard Copeland - August 30, 2017 at 04:16 AM

VW

“ Violet Warner-Eldridge lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Violet Warner-Eldridge - August 29, 2017 at 11:21 PM

VW

“ Lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Dotson.

Violet Warner-Eldridge - August 29, 2017 at 11:20 PM

DK

“ Diane Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Diane Kirksey - August 29, 2017 at 08:01 PM

MR

“ *Mrs Dotson was a Master educator and teacher, she was kind, loving and always wanted you to reach your full potential, she made a difference in my life , may God bless her and keep her in his care forever.*

Michael Wayne Robinson

Michael Wayne Robinson - August 29, 2017 at 06:17 PM

LB

“ *Lynn Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Lynn Barbee - August 29, 2017 at 04:09 PM

RW

“ *Rudy D. Ward lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Rudy D. Ward - August 29, 2017 at 01:13 PM

HG

“ *Henry And Gwendolyn Gaines lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Henry and Gwendolyn Gaines - August 29, 2017 at 12:01 PM

DW

“ *Diane Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Diane Williams - August 29, 2017 at 10:45 AM

WL

“ *Wynona Lowery lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Wynona Lowery - August 29, 2017 at 10:23 AM

BW

“ *Bernadette Woods lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Bernadette woods - August 29, 2017 at 10:22 AM

BK

“ *Brenda Kimble lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Brenda Kimble - August 28, 2017 at 10:12 PM

RH

“ Renee Hill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Renee Hill - August 28, 2017 at 08:50 PM

BW

“ Barbara Wright lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Barbara Wright - August 28, 2017 at 08:40 PM



“ Wanda Baker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Wanda Baker - August 28, 2017 at 02:22 PM

VW

“ Valerie Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Valerie Williams - August 28, 2017 at 11:45 AM

LC

“ Prayers for the family of Soror Etta. May God bless and comfort you during this hour and in the weeks to come



Loria Corder - August 28, 2017 at 11:28 AM

BT

“ Betty Tipper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Betty Tipper - August 28, 2017 at 10:53 AM

AB

“ Althea J. Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Althea J. Barbee - August 28, 2017 at 10:44 AM

DB

“ Denise Berry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson



Denise Berry - August 28, 2017 at 10:44 AM

DK

“ *Doris E. Keels lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Doris E. Keels - August 28, 2017 at 09:42 AM

SS

“ *Soror Valerie Southall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Soror Valerie Southall - August 28, 2017 at 05:55 AM

RK

“ *Russell & Diane Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Russell & Diane Kirksey - August 27, 2017 at 03:45 PM

LP

“ *Lisa Payton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Etta Walker Dotson*



Lisa Payton - August 27, 2017 at 03:42 PM

DM

Mother Dotson: you. will surely be missed at Mt. Olive. You have finished your race,

Dolores McGowan - August 29, 2017 at 04:00 PM

BR

Mrs. Dotson you were one teacher I always loved you taught me so much the two years you were my home room teacher I will truly miss you you did real good with me . I learned a lot from you

Brett Reaves Msgt USAF Ret. - August 31, 2017 at 12:41 PM



Ms. Dotson was a wonderful teacher, nonsense and a wonderful lady. may she rest in peace.

Jymi Dill - September 01, 2017 at 10:38 AM