



## Mr. Eugene Payne

October 23, 1934 - November 12, 2021

PAYNE, Mr. Eugene - Age 87, passed away Friday, November 12, 2021 in Houston, Texas. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, November 20, 2021 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, G5443 Saginaw St., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM Pastor Samuel Berry III officiating. Interment Lovedale Memorial Cemetery, G-5175 E. Bristol Rd., Burton, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Saturday. Mr. Payne 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 - 6:00 PM Friday. Beloved father and friend, Eugene "Gene" Payne, Sr., quietly departed this life during the morning hours of Friday, November 12, 2021 while peacefully sleeping. He was 87 years old. He professed his love of Jesus Christ in 1996, was baptized and joined Greater Paradise Baptist Church in Flint. He loved serving on the Usher Board, where he could greet everyone who came in. He later joined TTOP (Triumphant Temple of Praise), where he was also a faithful member. When he moved to Houston, TX, he became a member of Word of Life Church.

Born in Grady, Arkansas on October 23, 1934, "Gene" was the son of Minnie Scruggs Alford and Lewis Payne. He left Arkansas at the age of 16 for Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In 1955, at the age of 21, he migrated to Flint, MI for a position at Fisher Body (a division of General Motors). Gene retired from Fisher Body in 1987, after 32 years of service. He was a member of the UAW Local 581, and was very skilled with painting tools and processes.

Gene never met a stranger. He laughed and talked with everyone. During his life, he loved painting his cars (the paint jobs always looked show room new). He had a passion for playing Monopoly, and certainly believed that all problems could be resolved simply by playing a game of "Spades". He was affectionately known at the table as "El Chito". He was a beast in the kitchen and loved to cook catfish, oxtails, pancakes, and barbecue ribs & chicken. Gene is survived by sons; Larry (Denise) Allen of Muskegon MI; Eugene Payne Jr. of Flint MI; Melvin Payne of Naples, FL; Dexter Payne of Pine Bluff, AR.; daughters: Gloria (Frank) Gooden of Matteson, IL; Gloria Pate of Lawrenceville, GA; Teresa Payne of Flint, MI; Stephanie (Darel Sr.) Crochran of Grand Blanc MI; LaShon (Tyrone Sr.) Hatton of Houston, TX. Eugene had 27 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great grandchildren. He is also survived by numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, in-laws and Special friends, including Ella White, Calvin Jones, Nate Eason, Deacon David Thomas, Minister L.S. and Ashanta Ellis, Candice Nellum, Cooper Family, Lloyd and Thelma Alford.

Gene was preceded in death by his wife, Bobbie J. Henderson-Payne; parents, Minnie Alford-Blake and Lewis Payne; sister, Mary Arlene Payne-Taylor and brother, Elbert Cook, Sr., and many other relatives.

The family would like to give special thanks to Tyrone Hatton Sr., Minister Odis Murphy, the staff at the DaVita Dialysis, Tomball, TX, friends and staff at HCA Tomball Hospital, Dr. Michael Casagrande, Dr. Shujauddin Bhuriwala, Dr. Steven Napierkowski, Dr. Neil Desai, Dr. Surena Matin, Dr. Maninder Guram, staff at Phoenix Home Health, Word of Life Houston Church Family, Macedonia Baptist Church Flint Church Family, Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, TTOP Family, Greater Paradise Baptist Church Family, Bishop Neal Roberson, Dionne Dickerson, and ALL of our loved ones and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Lovedale Memorial Cemetery

G-5175 E. Bristol Rd.  
Burton, MI

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

NOV **19**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 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

NOV **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Service

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NOV **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church  
G-5443 N. Saginaw Street  
Flint, MI 48505

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Eugene Payne*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *SARAH HUNTER-TUCKER & FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



**SARAH HUNTER-TUCKER & FAMILY** - December 03, 2021 at 01:00 AM



“ *You have my deepest condolences. I will be forever grateful for the many hours Gene volunteered on my campaigns.*

**woodrow stanley** - November 20, 2021 at 12:57 PM



“ *Keeping the Payne family in our prayers. Our sincere condolences to the family.*

*Benny & Mae Vern Spence*

*Marietta Ga.*



**Mae Vern Spence** - November 20, 2021 at 12:59 AM

DS

“ To my dear friend Stephanie Crochran, I extend my condolences and prayers of comfort and peace to all of you, due to the loss of your beloved father.  
Love, Dana S. Simmons



Dana S. Simmons - November 19, 2021 at 09:52 PM

TE

“ Saded how I wasn't called about my grandfather's passing, but just to know he's back with his Wife just lets me know he didn't suffer!  
Love you Grandpa, your favorite OSHA #3 🥹

Teosha - November 19, 2021 at 05:04 PM

LA

“ Our condolences and prayers are with you all.  
Love from the Anderson family.



Lynn Anderson - November 19, 2021 at 01:30 PM

GT

Praying that God will comfort, strengthen and keep you all in His care.  
My condolences to you all! Gail Thomas

Gail Thomas - November 19, 2021 at 11:59 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Eugene Payne.*



November 19, 2021 at 09:24 AM



“ *Lois Cunningham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



**Lois Cunningham** - November 18, 2021 at 09:09 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Eugene Payne.*



November 18, 2021 at 07:35 PM



“ *I love you granddaddy I'm going to miss talking to you , you loved playing cards and monopoly you always told me how proud of me you was.*

**Jimeshia Payne** - November 18, 2021 at 07:33 PM

QU

“ Love you grandpa  
-The OSHA's

Queosha - November 18, 2021 at 06:19 PM

AK

“ Alice Kemp lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
Eugene Payne



Alice Kemp - November 18, 2021 at 06:08 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Mr. Eugene Payne.



November 18, 2021 at 05:48 PM

CA

“ One of the best fishing buddies I have ever had. “ May you “Rest In  
Peace”

Calvin - November 18, 2021 at 03:48 PM

EP



Eileen Payne - November 22, 2021 at 07:22 PM

CJ

“ Calvin & Deborah Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne



Calvin & Deborah Jones - November 18, 2021 at 03:38 PM



“ To my cuzzin Glory Teresa Melvin and Jr. My deepest condolences to y'all and my God give y'all strength through this rough time.



Jeanetta Starr - November 18, 2021 at 03:06 PM

BL

“ Barbara Lakes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne



Barbara Lakes - November 18, 2021 at 12:56 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Eugene Payne.



November 18, 2021 at 08:12 AM

MC

“ *M. Camille Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



M. Camille Coleman - November 18, 2021 at 05:59 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Eugene Payne.*



November 17, 2021 at 06:19 PM

RW

“ *We love you Daddy Payne. I can just see Momma smiling with her arms open saying we're finally back together again. Love your daughter RichEtta*



Rich Etta Weathersbee - November 17, 2021 at 05:47 PM

CP

“ *Christopher & Stephanie Price lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



Christopher & Stephanie Price - November 17, 2021 at 01:11 PM

TF

“ *The Cooper Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Eugene Payne.*



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**The Cooper Family** - November 17, 2021 at 07:42 AM

KW

“ *Kim Watson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



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**Kim Watson** - November 17, 2021 at 12:32 AM

AT

“ *Avril Torres lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



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**Avril Torres** - November 16, 2021 at 09:02 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Eugene Payne.*



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November 16, 2021 at 06:27 PM

JD

“ *Jean Durrettt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



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**Jean Durrettt** - November 16, 2021 at 01:07 AM

MJ

“ *M. Lori Jemison lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



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**M. Lori Jemison** - November 15, 2021 at 04:06 PM

TF

“ *Tonya Farrow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



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**Tonya Farrow** - November 15, 2021 at 08:06 AM

EP

“ *Eileen Payne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne*



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**Eileen Payne** - November 14, 2021 at 11:22 AM



“ Eileen Payne sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne



Eileen Payne - November 14, 2021 at 11:21 AM



“ Pandoretta Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne



Pandoretta Jackson - November 14, 2021 at 07:32 AM



“ Mary Evans sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne



Mary Evans - November 13, 2021 at 08:24 PM



“ Mary Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Payne



Mary Evans - November 13, 2021 at 08:24 PM