



## Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley

November 1, 1933 - May 12, 2025

PRESSLEY, Mrs. Eula Mae - Age 91, passed away Monday, May 12, 2025, at her residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at Vernon Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 5802 Dupont St., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM, Pastor Douglas Banks, Host Pastor. Interment Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, G-9506 N. Dort Hwy., Mt. Morris, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Church 10:00 AM Tuesday. Mrs. Pressley will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed Monday, from 12:00 PM-6:00 PM

Funeral Service will be live streamed on Facebook at [vernonchapelchurch.com](http://vernonchapelchurch.com).

Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley, age 91, of Grand Blanc, Michigan, passed away peacefully on May 12, 2025, at Tranquility House AFC, a family business owned and operated by her daughter. She was surrounded by her loving family and the long-time staff of Tranquility House AFC.

Eula was born on November 1, 1933, in Tallulah, Louisiana, the eldest daughter of Willie Branch and Eran "Shang" Taylor. She graduated from Carroll High School in Monroe, Louisiana, in 1954 and later earned her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Grambling State University in 1960.

After relocating her family from Los Angeles, California, Eula began a fulfilling

career with the Flint Board of Education. Her passion for nurturing young minds led her to the classroom, where she uplifted students and colleagues alike with her quiet leadership, compassion, and unwavering belief in the power of education. Her entrepreneurial journey began early, when she and Charles Sr. co-owned “Williams’ and Pressleys’ Furniture Company” with her sister’s family.

A devoted resident of Grand Blanc, Michigan, Eula lived a life rooted in faith, service, and love for her community. For over 50 years, she was a faithful member of Vernon Chapel AME Church, where she served in numerous roles with unwavering dedication and a heart full of grace. Her presence in the church was not only consistent but foundational, touching lives across generations with wisdom, kindness, and spiritual strength.

Eula was married to Charles Pressley Sr. for 16 years before they divorced. From that union came three children: Charles Jr., Cassandra, and Christopher, as well as three cherished grandchildren from Cassandra: Natasha Redford, Ricardo Wilson, and Breanna Wilson, who were—and always remained—the pride and joy of her life. Her love for us was constant, unconditional, and deeply rooted in her belief in family.

Outside the classroom and church, Eula was a woman of vision and enterprise. She was a proud member of the Flint NAACP and served under her sister’s administration for 15 years as a Chairwoman and Barbara McClendon and Dr. Douglas Wright serving as Co-Chairpersons. She remained actively engaged in civic life, campaigning for local political candidates and supporting causes that promoted justice and equality. Her creativity came to life through sewing and arts and crafts—each handmade piece a reflection of her care and unique flair.

After 26 years and 91 days as an educator, Eula retired in 1995, her dedication to children continued. She opened and operated a daycare, creating a nurturing and loving space where the youngest members of her community could grow and thrive.

Her entrepreneurial spirit was unmatched. Whether managing real estate,

selling handmade merchandise, or running her beloved food truck—where she served General Motors employees and Flint residents—Eula approached every endeavor with purpose, integrity, and a deep sense of community. She had a rare gift for blending creativity, business, and service in everything she did.

Her life was a vibrant testimony to faith in action, lifelong learning, and love without limits. She gave endlessly—to her family, her church, her students, and her community—and the impact of her legacy will be felt for generations to come.

Eula Mae Pressley leaves to cherish her memory: sons, Charles Pressley Jr. and Christopher Pressley; daughter, Cassandra Pressley; granddaughters, Natasha Redford and Breanna Wilson; and grandson, Ricardo Wilson; cousins, Nehemiah Thomas, Rosevelt Taylor, Levell Taylor, Michael Taylor, Belinda Taylor, Jacqueline Taylor; sisters-in-law, Virgie Sampson, Darline (Theodis) Johnson, Christene Chaney, and Stephanie (Derrick) Pressley Cox; brothers-in-law, Jeffery Pressley, Roderick (Ruth Ann) Pressley, and Ronald (Satashia) Pressley; also remembered by honorary grandchildren, Erik (Rhonda) Jones, and great grandchildren Ayshia Thoun, Ericka Thoun, Jordan Thoun and A'Karie Jones; and a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Ora Lee Jackson Clark, Maudine Matthews, Betty Atwater, Mignon Goins, Johnnie Green, Barabara Brace; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews and cousins.

Eula was preceded in death by her mother, Earn Ross; father, Willie Branch; sister, Susie Williams; half-sisters, Jeanola and Madlyn Branch, brother-in-laws, Eugene Newton and James Pressley.

The Family Would like To Express Special Thanks To: Tranquility House AFC staff; FNP, Lisa Lindsay; Absolute Home Health & Hospice, especially Rose, RN, and Iesha, SW; and the Vernon Chapel AME Family.

# Cemetery Details

## Flint Memorial Park Cemetery

G-9506 N. Dort Hwy.  
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

**MAY 19.** 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Inc., Flint  
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.  
Flint, MI 48505  
(810) 789-6666  
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com  
<https://lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

## Family hour

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

Vernon Chapel AME Church  
5802 Dupont St.  
Flint, MI

## Funeral Service

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

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# Tribute Wall

NR

“ To my precious Kee Ma.  
*I thank God for giving me the honor and privilege of being your first granddaughter. You retired from your phenomenal career in Education to ensure that I was taken care of while my mom was in nursing school. You opened a daycare so I could have friends to play with. Every single memory and moment I've had with you is one of love and joy. I still remember when you carried me to the front room to see the Christmas tree with your beautiful ivory and gold ornaments on it, and my baby hand reaching out towards the tree. I will never forget your bright smile that day. I also remember a time I was so excited to see you that I jumped on you to hug you and knocked you over! You could've gotten upset and fussed, but instead you laughed and said ok child relax! You and I have always had a very special bond. You've given me countless words of wisdom, wonderful experiences and endless memories. My most cherished memory of recent was your smile when I showed you my cap and gown, I knew that you were proud of me till the very end. You have always been my side my entire life and in some of your final moments you told me to be strong. But I struggle to think about how I will navigate life without your presence. Thankfully being the wonderful educator you are, you taught me your grace, tact, class, and wisdom that I will always try my hardest to embody. There are very few people in this world who are as magnetic and bright as you were, especially for 91 years. But I will do my best to carry on that same spark, as I know you'll always be with me. I love you forever my sweet Kee Ma. Thank you for everything. 💖*

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**Natasha Redford** - May 23, 2025 at 12:35 PM

NR

“ To my precious Kee Ma.

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**Natasha Redford** - May 23, 2025 at 12:34 PM

TM

“ Rest in Heaven 🙏🙏🙏🙏

Tornayaa Milton - May 21, 2025 at 03:13 PM

GL

“ Gloria lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley



Gloria - May 20, 2025 at 08:22 PM

GL

“ Gloria sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley



Gloria - May 20, 2025 at 08:21 PM

JD

“ *In Loving Memory of Ms. Eula Mae*

*Today, my heart is heavy as I say goodbye to Ms. Eula Mae — my adopted godmother, my confidante, my second mother. Though not bound by blood, the bond we shared was deep and unshakable. She stepped into my life with love, wisdom, and an open heart, and from that moment on, she became family.*

*We talked about everything — life, love, faith, and the everyday ups and downs. Her presence brought me peace, and her words always seemed to come at just the right time. She gave me guidance without judgment, support without conditions, and love that was pure and unwavering.*

*I will miss her voice, her laughter, her stories, and her wisdom. I will miss the way she made me feel understood and never alone. Ms. Eula Mae wasn't just like a mother to me — she was a mother to me in every way that mattered.*

*May she rest in peace, surrounded by the light she so freely gave to others. Her spirit will live on in my heart, and I will carry her love with me for the rest of my life.*

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**Jacquelynn Dodson** - May 20, 2025 at 03:54 PM

TJ

“ *Tre and Jacqui purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.*



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**Tre and Jacqui** - May 20, 2025 at 11:16 AM

TJ

“ Tre and Jacqui planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.

Tre and Jacqui - May 20, 2025 at 11:16 AM

LN

“ Lara Nkume lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley



Lara Nkume - May 19, 2025 at 09:20 PM

CP

“ MY CONDOENCES AND PRAYERS FOR THE PRESSLEY FAMILY.  
I WAS SO DEEPLY SADDEN TO HEAR OF THE PASSING OF MY SIS.IN CHRST MRS,EULA PRESSLEY.I WAS PREVALEGE TO HAVE BEEN CHOSEN TO BE HER CLASS LEADER AT VERNON CHAPLE FLINT ,I WILL MISS OUR CONVERSATIONS AND LAUGHS AS WE TALKED ABOUT THE GREAT TRIUMPH OF OUR GOD,AND THE LOVE SHE HAD FOR HER FAMILY AND SON,SIS, YOU ANSWERED YOUR CALL TO BE WITH OUR HEAVENLY FATHER,,ANOTHER SOLDIER ON HR WAY HOME,SEE YOU WHEN I GET THERE...

COREY PIERCE - May 19, 2025 at 08:16 PM

CP

“ COREY PIERCE lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley



COREY PIERCE - May 19, 2025 at 08:04 PM

VS

“ Virgie Presley Sampson purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.



Virgie Presley Sampson - May 19, 2025 at 03:40 PM

LF

“ Love Sharon Sampson Smith and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.



Love Sharon Sampson Smith and family - May 19, 2025 at 03:22 PM

BA

“ Brian Atwater purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.



Brian Atwater - May 19, 2025 at 10:58 AM

BA

“ Brian Atwater planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.

Brian Atwater - May 19, 2025 at 10:58 AM

CK

“ I will miss Eula she was really a wonderful person, she had a sense of humor  
And loved her family and friends so much. She will be missed so very much.  
I will miss you so will the people in Grand Reserve. Chri

christne kratz - May 18, 2025 at 07:16 PM

EH

“ Earlene Hildreth lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley



Earlene Hildreth - May 18, 2025 at 06:39 PM

CF

“ Cedric Sampson and Family purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.



Cedric Sampson and Family - May 18, 2025 at 02:40 AM

BA

“Wonderful mother, caring daughter, loving sister, ever supporting grandmother, best neighbor, treasured friend. These are only a few of the superlatives I can use to describe my dear friend of more than 50 years, Eula Presley.

*The years have passed and as I entered my elder years, I have missed you. Neighbors for 22 years, we saw one another almost daily, sharing many good and yes, difficult times together.*

*We were fisher people, vegetable pickers and aerobics exercisers but mostly, morale boosters to one another. Eula also knew, as did I, that our many responsibilities could not be done successfully without Jesus.*

*She would not want me to leave you without a smile, so I must tell you of her great fear "The Earthworm!"*

*Ever so often, but only when it rained, I would look out of my door, only to see Eula in her beautiful Cadillac, parked in my driveway. She would have driven from her home -- right next door to avoid the fierce and deadly worm. I was then required to check all around to ensure all worms were removed.*

*Also, Eula's arch enemy was my little dog Pebbles. Each morning, Pebbles would trot right over to Eula's house & viciously bark at the bedroom window or patio door until Eula responded. She wouldn't leave until Eula would respond with an angry word, "Go home Pebbles!"*

*These stories and happy memories will lovingly always be in my heart for my dear friend, Eula. Rest well dear friend, until we meet again. Remember you were always loved by so many.*

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**Bette Atwater** - May 17, 2025 at 10:18 AM

RR

“ Oh how there are so many wonderful words I could say about See Ma. Too many to even think of. Kee Ma was the most beautiful person, in and out. Her smile could light up the world! She had a spirit of God, love, kindness, compassion, understanding, and integrity. I remember visiting her with Natasha and she was telling us a story about her years a mother to her young children. It was quite the story haha! Filled with laughter. I could see the joy in Kee Ma's eyes when she spoke of her loved ones. She was and will forever be a once in a lifetime woman and experience. May God rest her beautiful soul. <3 🌸 - with love, Rhea 💕

Rhea Rodgers - May 16, 2025 at 10:50 PM

DH

“ We love Ms. Eula we will miss her beautiful smile. 😊  
Bennie and Denise



Denise Hairston - May 16, 2025 at 10:16 PM

SD

“ Shannay D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.

Shannay D. - May 16, 2025 at 10:03 PM

SH

“ I thank God often that I was blessed to have been a bonus granddaughter of Kee Ma. I truly hope to be even a quarter of the woman she was! She had grace, style, wit, humour, and a loving heart for everyone she met.

There was never a time I left the presence of Kee Ma and didn't feel even more empowered and loved than before. Celebrating Christmas with her is the last time I saw her. She mustered up the strength to make us dinner and we all know Kee Ma could throw down! I appreciated her welcoming me into her home and life. The memories she shared about her upbringing and how she made it through some trials and tribulations still with a soft heart and open arms is truly a testimony. She was a QUEEN! And my future generations will know of Kee Mas legacy. A TRUE matriarch. God rest her beautiful, beautiful soul 🙏💕🌸☐



Shy - May 16, 2025 at 09:54 PM

CC

“ Clayton Conerly lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley



Clayton Conerly - May 16, 2025 at 03:44 PM

LT

I worked with yula for a few years at Washington School and she was always a pleasant and joyful person to work with. She always showed concern for all the students that she taught and encouraged them to do their very best. She was very family-oriented and spoke highly of her own children and she treated us as family also

Loleta Towner - May 17, 2025 at 09:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.*



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May 16, 2025 at 02:36 PM



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May 16, 2025 at 02:36 PM



JoAnne Trussell

“ *Eula was a good neighbor at Grand Reserve. Our condolences to her family.*  
*Ken and JoAnne Trussell*

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**JoAnne Trussell** - May 16, 2025 at 02:20 PM



“ *Lena Marshall and family wish to extend our heartfelt condolences on our dear sister. May God comfort the hearts of the family.*

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**Valerie Marshall** - May 15, 2025 at 09:45 PM



“ *Sharice Johnson lit a candle in memory of Eula Pressley*



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**Sharice Johnson** - May 15, 2025 at 08:52 AM

MW

“ *Maggie Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley*



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**Maggie Williams** - May 15, 2025 at 12:46 AM

VN

“ *Veronica Nickens lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley*



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**Veronica Nickens** - May 14, 2025 at 10:37 PM

JS

*Mrs. Pressley had a warm, cheerful, and loving spirit .Sincere condolences to her family . May they be blessed with strength, peace, and hope. With deepest sympathy, Janet Smalley*

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**Janet Smalley** - May 18, 2025 at 11:40 PM

BH

“ *Beatrice And Tommy Horton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley*



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**Beatrice and Tommy Horton** - May 14, 2025 at 07:02 PM

TA

“ Beautiful spirit... thank you for always telling me, my singing was good! God rest your sweet soul. Sending the utmost love and sincere prayers up for the entire family.



Teresa Anthony-Johnson - May 14, 2025 at 03:29 PM

PM

“ Pamela L. Mitchell-Hightower lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley



Pamela L. Mitchell-Hightower - May 14, 2025 at 08:57 AM



“ Tonyetta Presley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley



Tonyetta Presley - May 14, 2025 at 07:14 AM

MT

“ May God bless you, grant you peace, and surround your grieving heart with love.  
Praying faith and God's promise of Eternal Life, strengthen you, as you reflect on, John 11:25-26.  
Former neighbors: The Teamer Family.

Mitchell Teamer - May 13, 2025 at 05:47 PM

LG

“ *Linda Gulley lit a candle in memory of Eula Pressley*



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**Linda Gulley** - May 13, 2025 at 02:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Eula Mae Pressley.*



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May 13, 2025 at 01:11 PM