



Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea

November 29, 1949 - July 24, 2022

TOLES-BETHEA, Mother Eula C. - Age 72, passed away Sunday, July 24, 2022 at McLaren-Flint. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, August 6, 2022 at Evergreen Baptist Church, 106 E. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Rev. Norman McLemore, officiating. Interment Lovedale Memorial Cemetery, G-5175 E. Bristol Rd., Burton, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Saturday. Mother Toles-Bethea will lie in state in the chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. and may be viewed from Friday, August 5, 2022 from 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea was born November 29, 1949 in Tarry, Arkansas, the daughter of Alex N. and Tectoria Harris-Toles. Eula graduated from Glendale High School in Glendale, AR and attended Pines Vocational Technical School in Pine Bluff, AR. She moved to Flint, Michigan and retired from General Motors Corporation after 28 years of service. Eula was always diligent with time management; if you were riding with Eula and you weren't ready on time, you would surely get left.

Eula was baptized at an early age at Mt. Olive AME Church in Tarry, AR. Her Christian journey led her to unite with Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Flint under the leadership of Rev. Lewis Randolph. She later united with Evergreen Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the Founding Pastor, the late Reverend Doctor W.A. Cox, and remained there faithfully until the Lord called her home. Eula's activities in Evergreen included singing with

the Voices of Evergreen, working on the Kitchen Committee, a member of the Mission and the Mother's Board. Her additional favorite activities were softball, fishing, cooking, growing plants and traveling. Eula loved being with her family and never missed a game when her grandson, Kortez Toles played for Grand Blanc High School. In 2003, Eula married the love of her life, Reverend John H. Bethea and that union lasted 17 years until the Lord called him home in 2020.

Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea leaves to cherish her beloved memories: daughter, Gail L. (Willie Lewis) Toles of West Memphis, AR; son, Thomas G. Toles of Grand Blanc, MI; 2 sisters, Ruby J. Walker of Little Rock, AR and special sister, Charlester Toles of Flint; 3 step-children, Glendoreia (Moustapha) Diop, Carlensha (Darrel) Grady and John Bethea Jr.; special sister-in-law, Mary Bethea, all of New Jersey; 9 grandchildren, Joshua Guidry, who is like a son because he was raised by his grandmother from a baby, Marcus Toles, Roshawnda Williams, Brittany Toles, Taisha Toles, Thomas Toles Jr., Kortez Toles, all of Flint, London Toles of Detroit, MI and Kynika Thompson of Anderson, IN; 6 great-grandchildren, Kamari Williams, Marcus Green Jr., Calvin Jones Jr., La'Bria Toles, all of Flint, Dre'onte Anderson and Dreylla Redifield, both of Anderson, IN; 2 aunts, Oleta Patterson and Vergerine Zeno, both of Tarry, AR; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and endearing friends including nieces, Reesha L. Turner, Tamera (Jason) Keys, nephew, Tywan Iverson; cousin, Reverend Floyd (Lula) Fuller; special brother-in-law, Willie Lee Iverson; and Evergreen sisters, Betty Lamar and Shirley Stitt.

Mother Bethea was preceded in death by her husband, Reverend John H. Bethea; son, Searcy Rennell Smith; granddaughter, Briana Toles; parents, Alex N. and Tectoria Harris-Toles; sister, Rosie Lee Iverson; brother, Lawrence Toles; and Evergreen sister, Lucy L. White.

The family would like to express special thanks to UAW Local #651 and Sis. Marilyn Fuller.

Cemetery Details

Lovedale Memorial Cemetery

G-5175 E. Bristol Rd.
Burton, MI

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 5. 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

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

Evergreen Missionary Baptist Church
106 E. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI

Funeral Service

AUG 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Evergreen Missionary Baptist Church
106 E. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI

Tribute Wall

JS

“Gone but never forgotten as it gets closer to Eula’s memorial anniversary. I loved her so much. She was more than my former sister-in-law but a genuine sister. Her kindness will never be forgotten. R.I..P. dearest sister.



Joyce Smith - July 09, 2024 at 08:37 PM



“Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea.



August 04, 2022 at 10:58 PM

JB

“Jaquanda & Taylor Baker lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea



Jaquanda & Taylor Baker - August 04, 2022 at 04:46 PM

RB

“ *Rosa Burnett lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea*



Rosa Burnett - August 03, 2022 at 10:55 PM

WL

“ *Welton And Carolyn Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea*



Welton and Carolyn Lewis - August 03, 2022 at 12:39 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea.*



August 03, 2022 at 07:53 AM

LH

“ *My condolence to the Toles family*

Leonard Henry - August 02, 2022 at 09:02 PM

PS

“ At my lowest I would wake up to early uplifting, encouraging, prayer text messages from you 💕 You we're consistent too and knew how to spread some love. You will be missed and cherished Ms. Eula 💕

Priscilla Sumpter - August 01, 2022 at 05:40 PM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea.



August 01, 2022 at 07:07 AM

VT

“ Vatina Topps-Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea



Vatina Topps-Reynolds - July 30, 2022 at 08:49 PM

RT

“ Rose Marie Topps lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea



Rose Marie Topps - July 29, 2022 at 03:43 PM

TA

“ *Tomie Adams purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea.*



Tomie Adams - July 29, 2022 at 02:14 PM

RC

“ *Our deepest Heartfelt Condolences to the family. I've known Eula for many years. She was a member, of our Minister Wives and Widows Auxiliary, of Great Lakes. She was family, and a quiet spoken woman, of wisdom and love. She will be missed. God is too wise to make a mistake in calling her home. We pray that He gives you all the strength you'll need, at this most difficult time. Earth has no sorrow, that Heaven cannot heal. RIH Mother Eula.*



Rev. Dr. Carolyn D. Davis & Children - July 29, 2022 at 08:44 AM

BL

“ *Barbara Lakes lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea*



Barbara Lakes - July 29, 2022 at 01:44 AM



“ *Lula Lewis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea*



Lula Lewis - July 28, 2022 at 08:53 PM



“ *Valerie Toles sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea*



Valerie Toles - July 28, 2022 at 01:55 PM



“ *Larry & Kim Sykes lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea*



Larry & Kim Sykes - July 27, 2022 at 08:04 PM



“ *Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea*



Jean Durrett - July 26, 2022 at 12:43 AM

ND

“ *Noelle Dare lit a candle in memory of Mother Eula C. Toles-Bethea*



Noelle Dare - July 25, 2022 at 05:50 PM

PR

“ *To the Bethea Family:*

I was sorry to hear about the passing of your loved one. Death is liken to a thief that comes and takes away our love ones. Or due to old age and sickness we lose that precious quality of life that leads to death.



However, have you ever asked: Is death the end of it all? Or is there something else after death? The bible clears up any question we might have about death. It also shows that there is a real hope for persons who have faith.

*Yours truly,
Patricia*

Patricia A Rison - July 25, 2022 at 10:01 AM

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Condolences to my loving cousin FAMILY n Friends

Flo moore (CLEVELAND) - July 31, 2022 at 08:54 AM