



## Frances Cleaves

April 1, 1941 - August 14, 2007

CLEAVES, Mrs. Frances - Age 66, became an honorable ancestor Tuesday, August 14, 2007 at McLaren Regional Medical Center. Family hour 6PM-8PM Monday, August 20, 2007 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11AM Tuesday, August 21, 2007 at New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church, 1035 E. Carpenter Rd. Dr. Paul Musson officiating. Bishop Odis A. Floyd, Pastor. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11AM Tuesday. Mrs. Cleaves will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed from 12Noon-8PM Monday. Mrs. Frances Ellen Cleaves was born April 1, 1941 in Decatur, Illinois, the daughter of Roscoe and Betty (Albernathy) Livingston. Frances attended Detroit Public Schools before moving to Flint, MI, in the early 1960's and continued her education at Mott Community College. She was an active member of Eternal Life Ministries. Frances was employed with General Motors and a member of UAW Local #659, retiring in 1995. Mrs. Frances Ellen Cleaves leaves to cherish her memories: 3 daughters, Monique (Sean) Byrd, Shelby Pope and Christina Adams; 4 sons, Keith Parris, Emery Pope, Ali and Mateen Cleaves; grandchildren, Antonio, Ali II and Khali Cleaves, Rahmad Dent, Emery Pope, Jr., Sean C. Byrd, Keera Byrd all of Flint and Shontarian Byrd of Atlanta, GA; sisters, Dorothy Barrett, Charlene Taylor both of Detroit, Anita Smylor, Claire McClinton and E. Hill Delony, all of Flint; brother, Richard Taylor of Detroit; a host of nieces,

nephews, other relatives and friends including special nieces, Donele Wilkins, Autumn Dailey, Rolinda and Tracy Barrett, Deanna (Todd) Moss of Charlotte, NC, Kimberly(Walter) Chapple of Atlanta, GA, Christine (Bruce) Hawthorn and Sojourner (Jaman) Green; special nephews, Tony (Tonya) Barrett, Robert Boaz of Detroit, and Carlos Boaz of Flint. Mrs. Cleaves was preceded in death by her son, Herbert Cleaves; parents; brother, Charles Taylor; nephew, Tony Smylor. The family would like to express special thanks to McLaren ICU staff, Eternal Life Ministries and New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Frances Cleaves*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *FRAN, WAS MY BEST FRIEND.I LOVE HER VERY MUCH.WHEN I LOSS MY AUNT ON 7/13/07 FRAN WAS THERE FOR ME EVERY DAY.NOW 31 DAYS LATER I LOSS MY FRIEND. I KNOW THEY ARE TOGETHER TALKING ABOUT ME! GOD BLESS YOU ALL AND LOVE EACH OTHER SHE WOULD WANT THAT. IF YOU NEED ME,JUST CALL LOVE YOU ALL ,CHERYL*

**CHERYL HARRIS** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *We extend to the family of Frances Cleaves our deepest sympathy and our heartfelt prayers regarding your loss. Cling to cherished memories during your darkest moments with assurance that God will see you through this difficult time in your lives. We just learned of your loss or we would have been with you in person, but know that you are in our thoughts. Be blessed, Phyllis and Aaron*

**Phyllis and Aaron Cunningham** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ You both have been like big brothers to me. I don't really know what to say but i was so sorry to hear about Mama Cleaves. I wish I could have been there for you. I Love Y'all and if you just need to talk you can call me any time, I might not know what to say but I can listen. Be strong and I will continue to pray for you and your family. Love Y'all Man Mike Bradshaw

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**Mikyl Bradshaw** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ To the family, May God Bless and keep you, and grant you peace. Fran has gone to a better place to rest. A Mother's love is forever strong, and she will always be watching over you.

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**Jesse & Daisy Johnson** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Mateen,  
I was so sorry to hear about the loss of your Mom. She was such a sweet person. When she would come to see you at games, she would make me feel like the special one. She made sure to give me a hug, and when you were on the visiting team, made sure that I got to give you a hug. She really was a lovable lady. I'll have you and her in my thoughts and prayers.  
Love,  
Cindy

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**Cindy Button** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ Frances was a great spirit to be around. My prayers go out to the family, and I know she is in a better place.

*Amondo Redmond*

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**Amondo Redmond** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ To Ali and Mateen, my prayers are with you both. Ali always know that I love you and I here for you.

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**Tatanisha Sykes(Taco)** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Fran was a mother to us all, and will be sorely missed !

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**Dr. Lee Bell** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ To Mateen and his family,

*I know this is the hardest thing to deal with. I'm praying for you all that God gives you comfort and peace for the many days to come.*

*Always,*

*Keshia*

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**Tokeshia D. Stephens** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ May god be with you through out this Time. We will be praying for you all.

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**Gene & Rose Grundy-Hodge** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Monique I can't say that I know what your going through but my husband has been in your shoes. I know that you are a VERY STRONG WOMAN and based upon the stories that you've shared with us you gained your strength, courage, and wisdom from your mother. During this time dig deep within and grab hold to what she instilled in you for such a time as this. You and your family will be in our prayers. Be encouraged and cast all your cares upon HIM for he careth for you.

We love you  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Smith

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**Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Keana Smith** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ We love everyone & we will continue to pray for you all. Aunt Fran was like Jordan's second grandmother, she would vist with us atleast once a week. We are both blessed to have known her.

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**Sparkle Harris & Jordan Minniefield** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ Fran will surely be missed. She was such a beautiful person in spirit and person. Family, keep your head up God doesn't make mistakes. I will keep you in my prayers. GOD BLESS!!

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**Hattie Pea McKay** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ To the entire Cleaves Family. I met your mother at a U.A.W. local meeting. I was Blessed to have worked with her on several community, U.A.W., Charity functions. It was a joy to work with her she always got the job done, and did not mix words and took no mess. You knew where you stood with her. She represented us well. We will all miss her. Our prayers are with you. **THERE WILL NEVER BE ANOTHER FRAN CLEAVES!!**  
Margaret Montgomery 1ed28d

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**Margaret Montgomery** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ Ali & Mateen and the Cleaves family, My thoughts and prayers are with you. I know this is a great loss to your family but know that God will be there with you. Trust in and lean on Him. May God bless and keep each of you. Much love, Mildred

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**Mildred Johnson** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ TO THE CLEAVES FAMILY, MOE & ALI  
I AM SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS, YOU ARE IN MY Thoughts & PRAYERS, Mammy Fran yas a strong wonderful woman she was always there when anyone needed here and when i moved on Grace St and started hanging with moe and ali she treated me like family. My prayers and love are with the family and just know that all the love and care she gave to anyone she would meet will live on in your hearts. Your are a strong family stay together and lean on God if there is any thing I can do to help I'am jsat a phone call away .

Love, lisa

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**Lisa Chapman-Williams** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Moe, my heart goes out to you and ur family at this time i will understand how you feeling and what you are goin threw ... I love you moe keep ur head up and be strong ur mother was ur biggest fan and she up in heaven cheering u on if u ever need anything you know you can always call me.. love keda-bell

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**APAKISHIA (keda-bell) GARTH** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ TO THE CLEAVES FAMILY, I AM SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS, YOU ARE IN MY PRAYERS AND BE BLESSED YOU ENJOYED ALL THE YEARS YOU HAVE WITH YOUR MOM. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL WOMAN.

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**LYZ WILKINS** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

NJ

“ Moe my prayers are with you and your family. As hard as I know it is Stay strong and keep God in your heart. And remember he never puts more on us then we can bear. You will get through this with the help of prayers and understanding people that are in your life. May god keep and bless your family Naikiea "looney"

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**Naikiea Jones** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ We wanted to send our condolences during your time of berevement, our thoughts and prayers will be with you. Use her example of strength and tenacity to help you all get through this trying time.

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**Mike Terry** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VT

“ TO THE CLEAVES FAMILY.  
YOUR MOTHER WAS ONE OF THE STRONGEST PEOPLE THAT  
I KNOW. AND IF I KNOW FRAN SHE IS ALREADY TRYING TO  
BOSS GOD AROUND. ALL OF THE KIDS JUST BE STRONG SHE  
DID A GOOD JOB RAISING ALL OF YOU. MONIQUE, ALI, AND  
MATEEN ONE GOOD THING THAT WILL COME OUT OF THIS IS  
THAT SHE WILL GET TO SEE "SLUGGO". IF THERE IS ANY  
THING THAT THE THOMAS FAMILY CAN DO WE ARE JUST A  
PHONE CALL AWAY. I KNOW YOU ALL LOVED HERE BUT GOD  
LOVED HER MORE

GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU

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**virginia thomas** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Just wanted to say that your in my thoughts and prayers. Come  
together as the strong family that you are and let God do the rest.

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**Shawn Ragland** - August 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM