



Ms. Frances Faithful

July 20, 1934 - March 14, 2017

FAITHFUL, Ms. Frances - Age 82, passed away Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at Genesys Health Park, Grand Blanc, MI. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, March 25, 2017 at First Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, 1226 Beach St., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM Pastor Ezra L. Tillman Jr. officiating. Family and friends will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Saturday. Afterwhich, Ms. Faithful will then be taken to March Funeral Home, 4300 Wabash Ave., Baltimore, MD 21215, (410) 542-2400. Ms. Faithful 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 Friday.

In Lieu of Flowers, contributions can be made to the following address:
Myrtle Tyler Faithful Fund, Inc. (MTFF) Scholarship Fund
P.O. Box 26402
Baltimore, MD 21207

Ms. Frances Elaine Faithful was born July 20, 1934 in Flushing, Ohio, the daughter of Roscoe Conklin and Myrtle Tyler Faithful. She is preceded in death by her father, her mother and her sister, Geraldine Faithful Desbordes. She gave her life to Christ at an early age; and was a long standing active member of First Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, where she was Chairman of the Trustee Board and a member of the Usher Board. Ms. Faithful was educated in Flushing Public Schools in Flushing, OH. Later she received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education from Central State

University in Wilberforce, OH. After graduating, she relocated to Flint, Michigan where she was an educator in the Flint Community School System, retiring after 34 years of dedicated service. Ms. Faithful was equally as dedicated to several organizations where she quickly established herself as a leader. In 1954, she joined Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, and soon after became a charter member of the Zeta Beta Zeta Chapter in Flint. Ms. Faithful has deep family ties to Zeta. Her mother, Myrtle Tyler Faithful and her aunt, Viola Tyler Goings were two of five women who founded the sorority in 1920 at Howard University in Washington, D.C. Her sister, Geraldine was also a member of the sorority, prior to her death. Her cousin, Deborah Hill is also a member of the sorority. In 1984, Ms. Faithful became a member of The Links Incorporated, Flint, MI Chapter. She served as Chapter President, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian and Chair of the by-laws committee. In November of 1990, Ms. Faithful became a charter member of the Flint Chapter Pierians, Incorporated. She was a diligent leader serving as National Vice-President. In 2009, she was elected the 15th National President and led the organization in its mission of advancing the arts. Even with dedicating so much of her time to her church and three National Organizations, Ms. Faithful still found time to serve as President of the Friends of the Flint Public Library (2005-2008). Frances Faithful's accomplishments reinforce how vital to the fabric of the community of Flint, Michigan. She always made time to extend herself and offer advice when asked. She had a kind heart, a smile that lights up a room and a sense of humor you wouldn't believe.

Frances leaves to cherish her memories her brother-in-law, Dr. Lionel Desbordes; 2 nephews, Lionel A. (Sheryl) Desbordes II and Dr. Byron (Minyette) Desbordes, all of Baltimore, MD; 2 great-nieces; one great-nephew; a host cousins including special cousins, Deborah (Ron) Hill of Beavercreek, OH, Dr. Jacqueline (Woodrow) Davis of Reynoldburg, OH, Michael Tyler of Dayton, OH, Jamie (Gerard) Watkins of Columbus, OH; close family friends, members of her church, the membership of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority,

Incorporated, Pierians, the Links and all of Flint, Michigan. She will be greatly missed.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR **24**. 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

MAR **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Trinity Missionary Baptist Church
1226 Beach Street
Flint, MI 48502

Service

MAR **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Trinity Missionary Baptist Church
1226 Beach Street
Flint, MI 48502

Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Frances Faithful*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Marcia Fair-Stevens lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Marcia Fair-Stevens - June 28, 2017 at 03:36 PM



“ *KATIE STEWART lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



KATIE STEWART - March 25, 2017 at 07:38 AM



“ *JUNE SMILEY PERKINS sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



JUNE SMILEY PERKINS - March 25, 2017 at 03:27 AM

TS

“ *Trina Stewart sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Trina Stewart - March 24, 2017 at 09:33 AM

VC

“ *Sister Faithful and I have been usher for 40 plus year at FTMBBC. She will surely be missed. My deepest sympathy to the family. Love Sister Verna M. Cobb*



Verna Cobb - March 23, 2017 at 10:09 PM

ET

“ *Etoia Toles-Wilson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Etoia Toles-Wilson - March 23, 2017 at 09:31 PM

SA

“ *Sincere sympathy to the family of our dear Soror. My granddaughter was all smiles when she took this pic Boule 2014*



Soror Aldernan - March 23, 2017 at 03:06 PM

RL

“ Deepest sympathy and heart felt condolences to the family of Soror Faithful. She taught my older brothers. May God comfort you like only He can. Rest well Triumphant Soror until we meet again.

Renea Lyles - March 23, 2017 at 10:57 AM

BC

“ This lady has been in my grade.words can't express how much she meant to my family.Rest now,I will see you again. Love Barbara Crum

Barbara Crum - March 23, 2017 at 09:08 AM

JJ

“ Francis was a wonderful lady. She will be missed by many because she touched sooo many. She was a great teacher and coworker. We had many many laughs together. Very classy!

Jeanne Sarles Jerore - March 22, 2017 at 08:47 AM

GW

“ Gwendolyn Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful



Gwendolyn Williams - March 21, 2017 at 10:53 PM

GW

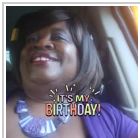
"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day, unseen, unheard, but always near. Still loved, Still missed and Still very dear". Soror Faithful, may you rest in peace.

Gwendolyn Williams - March 21, 2017 at 11:02 PM

EW

“ We will miss Ms. Faithful.
The Rison family Fay, Terri, Ernestine, and Wanda

Ernestine Wilson - March 21, 2017 at 12:53 PM



“ Sharon Mixon lit a candle in memory of Ms.
Frances Faithful



Sharon Mixon - March 21, 2017 at 12:09 PM

AW

“ Sis. Faithful will be missed. My sincere
sympathy to the family and dear friends.



Alberta Williams - March 20, 2017 at 10:47 AM

SE

“ Shirley Edwards-Jackson lit a candle in
memory of Ms. Frances Faithful



Shirley Edwards-Jackson - March 19, 2017 at 04:22 PM

SL

“ *Sheba Lusk lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Sheba Lusk - March 19, 2017 at 02:17 PM



“ *My Condolences to her family. Your in my thoughts and prayers. RIP Soror Faithful.*



Rashonda Lloyd - March 18, 2017 at 10:22 PM

MW

“ *Michele Whitted lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Michele Whitted - March 18, 2017 at 10:02 AM

CL

“ *Charles Lewis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Charles Lewis - March 17, 2017 at 03:15 PM

CL

“ Im really sadden to hear the news of one of my favorite teachers in grade school. M.L.King on Rankin st. FLINT, Michigan. May God strengthen the family during this time with peace, love and happiness. I will miss you Mrs. Faithful but I will never forget you. Ita because of people like you who inspired me to continue school to be successful. Im now a physical therapist in Texas. Thanks for your love. Charles Lewis

Charles Lewis - March 17, 2017 at 03:13 PM

LJ

“ I helped her with technology on her I Phone (She was a great student). We worked together on Links committees and activities. Frances was very special and highly regarded. Take your rest now. In His perpetual care,

Lolanda R. Johnson

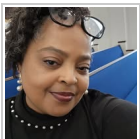
Lolanda R. Johnson - March 17, 2017 at 02:17 PM

BD

“ Brenda Dilworth lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful



Brenda Dilworth - March 17, 2017 at 12:45 PM



“ One of my favorite teachers...And my sister in Christ 💖 my condolences to your family and prayers 💖

Yolanda Johnson - March 17, 2017 at 12:45 PM

BK

“ *Brenda Kimble lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Brenda Kimble - March 17, 2017 at 12:34 PM

ER

“ *Soror Frances Faithful thank you for keeping Zeta Phi Beta Sorority sisters connected to one of its founding Pearls (Soror Myrtle Tyler Faithful) these many years. You represented your mother's legacy well. You will be missed.*
Soror Edna M. Rubin, Gamma Tau Zeta chapter, Formerly of Zeta Beta Zeta Chapter-Flint

Edna M. Rubin - March 17, 2017 at 12:12 PM

KL

In memory of Sister Faithful. My condolences to the Faithful family.

Kathy Lewis - March 24, 2017 at 02:03 PM

SM

“ *Soror Myra Milton sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Soror Myra Milton - March 17, 2017 at 11:26 AM

RS

“ *Raynetta Speed lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Raynetta Speed - March 17, 2017 at 09:34 AM

RS

Sadden to learn of the passing of one of my favorite teachers. The six grade was the only time I spent at Dewey. But because of Ms. Faithful, I have memories that I will always cherish. I can still see her sitting at her desk knitting a sweater and I can also recall some of her favorite quotes.

Raynetta Speed - March 17, 2017 at 09:39 AM

RH

“ *Robbin Hamilton-Auston lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Robbin Hamilton-Auston - March 17, 2017 at 09:16 AM

RH

Even as a little girl at King School, I recognized how classy Ms. Faithful was, and how she would tighten you up when necessary. I saw her periodically as an adult, and she was always so loving and beautiful. Rest well.

Robbin Hamilton-Auston - March 17, 2017 at 09:19 AM

PW

She was the BEST teacher ever

Paula Willis-Hager - March 19, 2017 at 09:07 AM

CB

“ Reflections of my journey with Ms. Faithful has taken us on numerous events; she was my sixth grade teacher at Dewey Elementary School, a Soror of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and the friendship embodied of being a Link. These are the lasting memories which I shall cherish. Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies Proverbs 31:10 “I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.” Maya Angelou To God Be the Glory, Rest in Eternal Peace my mentor, sister and friend.

Warmly

Dr. Carolyn Coles Benton

Dewey School

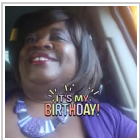
Carolyn Coles Benton - March 16, 2017 at 08:09 PM

T(

“ Tommie (Johnson)Beverly lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful



Tommie (Johnson)Beverly - March 16, 2017 at 06:38 PM



“ Philippians 1:3 I will always remember the time we shared. Never a dull moment. I thank God for the good times love and laughter. I never imagined that when I left and said I love you and I'll see you later really meant I'll see you later.

Sharon Mixon - March 16, 2017 at 05:25 PM

AP

“ *Amica Tiny Presnall lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Amica Tiny Presnall - March 16, 2017 at 05:16 PM

GG

“ *Mrs. Faithful was one of my first mentors in my teaching career. I met her in 1980 when I joined the staff of King School. What a class act. My prayers are with her family and friends.*

Gwendolyn Gaines - March 16, 2017 at 04:36 PM

DK

“ *Diane Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Diane Kirksey - March 16, 2017 at 02:50 PM

TB

“ *We will truly miss cousin Frances and seeing her at the family reunions. Always so fun to talk and always encouraging! Rest Easy Frances!*



Tate Blanchard - March 16, 2017 at 11:00 AM



“ *Ceresse Simpson Pennington lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Ceresse Simpson Pennington - March 16, 2017 at 10:36 AM

DA

“ *DaisyBoone lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



DaisyBoone - March 16, 2017 at 08:55 AM

EZ

“ *A beautiful smile and a loving heart. She will be missed and always remembered. She earned and deserved her wings to take flight.*
Z💙



Esther Staunton White Z?? - March 16, 2017 at 01:27 AM

JK

“ *Jesse Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Jesse Kirksey - March 15, 2017 at 11:41 PM

KT

“ Karen Tucker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful



Karen Tucker - March 15, 2017 at 11:11 PM

LD

“ Omg Frances you have been on my mind for some time. My last text from you on 2/25 you said you were doing better! To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. I know God makes no mistakes! Beverley now you, First Trinity will not be the same! May the peace of God comfort your family and us all!



Loyce Driskell and Lewis Driskell - March 15, 2017 at 08:57 PM

Terry Gates

“ Mrs Faithful was one of those teachers you always loved. I remember taking her turtle chocolate candy from her desk when she would leave the room. A few years ago i told her about it. I did sent her some replacements in the past few years. And she would have a special smile and hug when I would see her. Love always you were the Greatest.
Terry Gates
Dewey School



Terry Gates - March 15, 2017 at 08:19 PM

MC

Great memories from my Oak School days. She was always smiling and dressed to the 9s everyday!!! She and her sister Ms. Connor two cuties. My condolences to the family.

Marlene (Taylor) Cornell

Marlene Cornell - March 16, 2017 at 07:27 AM

GL

“ *So sad I was thinking about you yesterday morning. Nice teacher who pushed her students to succeed. RIP*



Glynis - March 15, 2017 at 07:23 PM

DL

“ *Dorris Lyons-Allen lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Dorris Lyons-Allen - March 15, 2017 at 05:04 PM

EV

“ *Mrs Faithful taught me the proper way to write left handed. She was my favorite elementary school teacher over forty years ago. She was truly a special lady to me.*



Elaine Wells Vaughn - March 15, 2017 at 04:35 PM



“ *One one the best teacher's ever!!*

Kimberly Woolfolk - March 15, 2017 at 04:02 PM



“ *Such a sweet lady and a dear friend of my Mom. Praying for strength and comfort for all in Jesus name.*



Melita Bowman-Murphy - March 15, 2017 at 03:44 PM



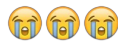
“ *Larry Soulman lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Larry Soulman - March 15, 2017 at 03:09 PM



“ *The GOAT of Education. I can safely say she is/ was loved by many*



Larry Soulman - March 15, 2017 at 03:09 PM



“ *A Beautiful Soul that touched the heart and minds of so many. Mrs. Faithful will be missed.*



Valerie (Taylor) LeGardye - March 15, 2017 at 02:45 PM

RK

“ *Russell Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Russell Kirksey - March 15, 2017 at 12:53 PM

TH

“ *Tommy & Bea Horton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Tommy & Bea Horton - March 15, 2017 at 12:50 PM

PW

“ *Paula Willis-Hager lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Paula Willis-Hager - March 15, 2017 at 12:11 PM

SC

“ *Shawn Conliffe lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Shawn Conliffe - March 15, 2017 at 12:01 PM



“ *Sheila Collins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Sheila Collins - March 15, 2017 at 11:25 AM



“ *Michelle Strozier lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Michelle Strozier - March 15, 2017 at 11:13 AM



Thanks for being a Teacher who will forever be in my heart and mind. You represented dignity, pride and success. You taught us those same character traits! Much Love!

Michelle Strozier - March 15, 2017 at 11:15 AM



Rest in Heaven Dear Soror

Karen Tucker - March 15, 2017 at 11:10 PM



“ *Dea. Bill & Ruthy Quarles sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Dea. Bill & Ruthy Quarles - March 15, 2017 at 11:08 AM



“ *Horace Bam Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Frances Faithful*



Horace Bam Johnson - March 15, 2017 at 10:59 AM