

## Mr. Gary Handley

November 16, 1945 - June 28, 2024

HANDLEY, Mr. Gary - Age 78, passed away Friday, June 28, 2024, at Wellbridge of Grand Blanc. Family hour 1:30 PM Saturday, July 6, 2024, from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 2:00 PM. Rev. Sylvester Jones, officiating. Entombment, Sunset Hills Cemetery, 4413 Flushing Rd. Family and friends will assemble at the funeral home 1:30 PM Saturday. Mr. Handley will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 12:00 PM-6:00 PM Friday with family presence 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM to receive friends.

Gary, the son of Densell and Rozene Handley was born November 16, 1945, in Little Rock Arkansas and was the oldest of 9 children. He loved playing little league and Class E baseball and loved playing in the end field and hitting the ball. He was a Northern High School Alumnus and worked for Buick City a Division of General Motors Corporation, where he retired with over 32 years of hard work and service.

Gary loved working at General Motors, and all the friends that were there that he had met over the years, many of whom had become like family. Every Friday he would pick up his daughter Raycoa for daddy and daughter day at A&W on Clio Road, where they would enjoy two hotdogs one with red sauce and one with coney sauce and a root beer each and would sit there for hours,

just talking laughing and eating together. This was their special bonding time and they both looked forward to it. He was an amazing father and provider and enjoyed game nights and their weekends together.

Gary was a lover of fine automobiles his favorites were Corvettes, Cadillacs and Camaros. He was a Jazz connoisseur who played his tunes for hours on end around the house and an Artist who loved to create great art works. He loved to create Jazz playlist of his favorite jazz artists and share them with everyone he came in contact with to make them smile and catch a vibe and often was asked for these list by coworkers at his job. He took pride in creating the ultimate list for them, and love to see their reactions to the music he made for them. If you rode with him anywhere he would fill your soul with all of his favorite tunes he had added to the never ending playlist. Gary was a Pitmaster who would cook up some delicious barbecue upon request and include his special recipe for his barbecue sauce and home brewed sun tea that he would blend and brew for hours outdoors.

Gary met his love and companion, Brenda in 1997 at work, where she learned of a jazz playlist that was circulating around the shop that Gary had added to cars he serviced and she followed the music to the Man who would soon become her life partner and the two begin their journey together where the two blended the families giving him 2 more bonus sons, grandchildren and great grandchildren that he would love, adore and treat as if they were his own. He was a family man who loved spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren, family and friends. Gary loved all sports but especially basketball, baseball and football. His favorite teams were Michigan Wolverines and the Detroit Pistons. Gary was also a dapper dresser, collector of Stacy Adams, loved concerts, watching countless movies with the love of his life Brenda and making sure his yard was meticulously taken care of all the times.

Gary was preceded in death by his loving and devoted father, Densell Handley; grandparents, Roy and Lelia Handley; three sisters, Lou Jean White, Linda Diane Handley and Jennifer Lynn Handley; two brothers, Richie

Handley and Larry "L.C." Handley; bonus son, John Richardson; and granddaughter, Epiphany Elerson

Gary Handley leaves to cherish his memory and continue his legacy: loving and devoted beautiful mother, Rozene Handley of Flint, MI; long time love and companion of 27 years, Brenda Fluker of Flint, MI; cherished daughter, Raycoa (Jennifer) Handley, of Atlanta GA; three bonus sons, Darrell Fluker of Texas, Ojore (April) Elerson and James (Ritha) Richardson of Flint MI; bonus daughter, Angela Richardson; grandsons, Brandon Handley Rison and Justin Rison of Atlanta, GA; bonus grandchildren, Dupree, Queen, and Zuberi of Flint, MI, Elerson, Damien, Shanita, Tequila, Chance, Elijah and Trinity Fluker of Flint, MI and Texas; sisters, Vivian Lorraine Handley of Los Angeles, CA, Cherri (Winston) Handley-Alder of Leland, NC, Shannon Handley of Madison WI, and Trina (Sherman) Handley-Boaz of Lawrenceville, GA; brother, Jimmie (Marilyn) Handley of Flint, MI; god sister, Denise (Greg) Howell of Mt. Vernon, NY; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friend including special long time friends and bonus brothers, Rodney Collins, Booker Lang and Virgil Smoot and sister-in-love, Leontine (McKinley) Tipton; and neighbors, Terrell (Marlo), Bobby and Isaiah Thompson and Denise and Cameron (Woo) Allen.

Gary's love of jazz music was undeniable and we decided to share with you all one of his great playlist's from some of his favorite jazz artists. The next time you're riding in your car or sitting at home thinking of him. Turn on Gary's playlist and enjoy the vibe.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

JUL 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

JUL 6. 1:30 AM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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JUL 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Gary Handley* ”



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**Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home** - July 06, 2024 at 12:35 PM

SP

“ *Sandra Payne lit a candle in memory of Gary Handley* ”



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**Sandra Payne** - July 10, 2024 at 02:34 PM

EB

“ *Earnestine Williams Burnett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley* ”



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**Earnestine Williams Burnett** - July 10, 2024 at 11:34 AM

ED

“ *I memory of my high school classmate Gary Handley. Jimmy you and family have my prayers* ”

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**Elonzo Duncan** - July 07, 2024 at 03:41 AM

FC

“ Fredricka Bonner Cross lit a candle in memory of Gary Handley



Fredricka Bonner Cross - July 07, 2024 at 01:13 AM



“ Jacqueline Bridges lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Jacqueline Bridges - July 06, 2024 at 01:45 PM

ED

“ Elaine Johnson Dorsey sent a virtual gift in memory of Gary Handley



Elaine Johnson Dorsey - July 06, 2024 at 12:08 PM

TU

“ Terry Upton lit a candle in memory of Gary Handley



Terry Upton - July 06, 2024 at 11:03 AM

MS

“ We are so sorry to hear of Gary passing. Our condolences to the family.  
We will continue to keep the family in our PRAYERS.

*Benny & Mae Vern Spence*

*Marietta GA.*



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**Mae Vern Spence** - July 06, 2024 at 05:16 AM

FR

“ Freda Ratliff-Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



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**Freda Ratliff-Williams** - July 05, 2024 at 10:04 AM

JJ

*Sorry for your lost,rest in peace my friend.*

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**Jeanette Johnson** - July 05, 2024 at 04:06 PM

JJ

*I will never forget you*

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**Jeanette Johnson** - July 05, 2024 at 04:07 PM

DJ

“ Sorry for your loss sending my condolences to the entire family.



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**Deloroës Jefferson** - July 05, 2024 at 07:27 AM

RJ

“ *My condolences, thoughts, and prayers to Gary’s entire family, and friends.* 🥲🌸🙏

Roxann Jenkins - July 05, 2024 at 06:08 AM

JD

“ *Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley*



Jean Durrett - July 05, 2024 at 01:58 AM

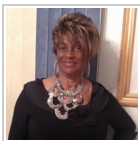
SE

“ *Dear Mother Handley and family:*

*May my condolences bring you comfort, and my prayers ease the pain of your loss. Thinking of you during these difficult times.* 🕊️❤️



Shirley Edwards-Jackson - July 05, 2024 at 01:02 AM



“ *Lula Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley*



Lula Lewis - July 04, 2024 at 12:39 PM

SC

“ St. John Street Historical Committee sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



St. John Street Historical Committee - July 03, 2024 at 09:02 PM

FG

“ Fredricka “Ricky” Gist lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Fredricka “Ricky” Gist - July 03, 2024 at 09:01 PM

EK

“ Eric & Vicky Kilgore lit a candle in memory of Gary Handley



Eric & Vicky Kilgore - July 03, 2024 at 12:38 PM

TJ

“ Tanya Jefferson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Tanya Jefferson - July 03, 2024 at 09:02 AM

LN

“ *Lara Nkume lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley*



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**Lara nkume** - July 03, 2024 at 01:46 AM

JP

“ *Joan Pointer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley*



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**Joan Pointer** - July 02, 2024 at 03:20 PM

KC

“ *Kim E. Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley*



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**Kim E. Carpenter** - July 02, 2024 at 10:04 AM

VJ

“ *Vivian Johnson-McMillian lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley*



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**Vivian Johnson-McMillian** - July 02, 2024 at 06:57 AM

IR

“ Iris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Iris - July 01, 2024 at 07:44 PM

KH

“ K Denise Howell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



k denise Howell - July 01, 2024 at 06:59 PM

RB

“ Rosa Burnett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Rosa Burnett - July 01, 2024 at 05:00 PM

JW

“ Jacqueline Woodard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Jacqueline Woodard - July 01, 2024 at 03:14 PM

AS

“ Aileen Spence sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Aileen Spence - June 30, 2024 at 10:03 AM

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AS

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MT

“ Marshall & Bev Tolbert lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Marshall & Bev Tolbert - June 30, 2024 at 07:29 AM

NJ

“ Nancine Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Nancine Jackson - June 29, 2024 at 10:05 PM

DH

“ Deacon And Mother Hudson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Deacon and Mother Hudson - June 29, 2024 at 08:13 PM

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“ James & Sharon Owensby (Arizona) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



James & Sharon Owensby (Arizona) - June 29, 2024 at 05:36 PM

SF

“ Sharon Fleming lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Handley



Sharon Fleming - June 29, 2024 at 03:59 PM

RD

“ *Lit a candle for Mr. Gary Handley. Gary and I were friends from elementary school. My condolences to the family. RIP.*



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**Rudolph Wheaton, DDS,MPA** - June 29, 2024 at 02:42 PM

KH

“ *KATHERINE HANDLEY lit a candle in memory of Gary Handley*



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**KATHERINE HANDLEY** - June 29, 2024 at 02:06 PM

JB

“ *So sorry to hear about the passing of Gary. Praying for the family in this time of sorrow.*



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**James and Lisa Blakley** - June 29, 2024 at 10:26 AM