



Mr. Gary Lee Southward

August 13, 1956 - May 17, 2018

SOUTHWARD, Mr. Gary Lee - Age 61, passed away Thursday, May 17, 2018 at Genesys Health Park-Grand Blanc, MI. Family hour 10:30 AM Thursday, May 24, 2018 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Pastor Kenneth L. Stewart officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 10:30 AM Thursday. Mr. Southward will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Wednesday with the family present from 5:00 PM -8:00 PM to receive friends.

Mr. Gary Lee Southward was born August 13, 1956 in Flint, Michigan, the son of McQueen and Martha (Bates) Southward. He was a lifelong resident of Flint and a graduate of Flint Northern High School, "Class of 1974." Gary was employed by General Motors where he retired after 30 years of service on April 1, 2009. He was also a dedicated union member of UAW Local #5960. Gary was a Skilled Carpenter and always on point with his style of fashion and a natural born comedian. In his spare time he loved to work in his yard, spend time with his grandkids and help others.

Mr. Gary Lee Southward leaves to cherish his memory: 2 daughters, Janell Hicks of Canton, MI and Carol Southward; son, Marquavis "Man-Man" Jones Sr.; 3 grandchildren, Jalen Prevo, Marquavis Jones Jr. and Ave'l Johnson; sister, Brenda Southward; 4 brothers, Carl, Willie, Kenneth, all of Flint and Courtney Southward of Indiana; 4 aunts, Elizabeth Young of Corinth, MS, Hattie Faye Thomas of Booneville, MS, Effie Vernita Martin of Tishomingo, MS and Velera Asberry of East St. Louis, IL; uncle, Ideses Bates of Johnson City, TN; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Fred and Donna Poplar, 777 Party Store (Mike).

Mr. Southward was preceded in death by his parents, McQueen and Martha Southward; grandparents, Annie and Elmer Bates; brother, Elmer Southward; aunt, Ervilene Agnew; and uncles, Ben and Charles Bates.

The family would like to express special thanks to Genesys Health Park doctors and

nurses, Pastor Kenneth L. Stewart and Lawrence E. Moon.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAY 23. 12:00 PM - 8:00 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 Present

MAY 23. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Family hour

MAY 24. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Service

MAY **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Gary Lee Southward*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM

KG

“ *Kacetta Grear lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Kacetta Grear - May 29, 2018 at 09:18 AM

DB

“ *His smiles will be missed excellent decorating of homes rest on Gary.*

Donna Burnett - May 27, 2018 at 10:24 AM

DB

“ *Donna Burnett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Donna Burnett - May 27, 2018 at 10:20 AM

CB

“ *It's hard to believe my friend is gone. We where friends for over 50 years. I will forever miss him. My prayers goes out to his children and his grands and the Southward family. Heaven has called home a true soldier. Much Much LOVE*



Crystal Ashburn Brown - May 24, 2018 at 09:34 PM

AN

My heart is broken my friend is gonr home and his brother i did not know he had pass i was calling him ask about willie and eas told he had pass in may god bless his family will forever be remembered in my praying God bless

Anthonyarline - November 19, 2018 at 08:05 PM

LM

“ Lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Southward! R.I.P. Gary Gone but not forgotten You will truly be missed. You were a friend to me, always kept me laughing. R.I.P. my friend!
Linda Mayfield



Linda Mayfield - May 24, 2018 at 07:17 AM

GM

“ GLORIA MOSES-COLEN lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



GLORIA MOSES-COLEN - May 23, 2018 at 04:23 PM

RS

“ Roy Shavers St. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Roy Shavers St. - May 23, 2018 at 02:26 PM

CC

“ CC Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



CC Campbell - May 23, 2018 at 11:28 AM

RM

“ Ronald Moore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Ronald Moore - May 23, 2018 at 07:14 AM

GQ

“ Gladys Quarles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Gladys Quarles - May 22, 2018 at 10:50 PM

JB

“ Jonny Billings lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Jonny billings - May 22, 2018 at 05:19 PM

DW

“ Diane Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Diane Williams - May 22, 2018 at 02:54 PM

FR

“ Frances Robertson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Frances Robertson - May 22, 2018 at 07:41 AM

DR

“ Darrell Robertson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Darrell Robertson - May 22, 2018 at 07:13 AM

DM

“ Debra Miller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Debra Miller - May 22, 2018 at 06:48 AM

GQ

“ Gary and I referred to each as twins, sharing the same birthday. He had a great sense of humor, lots of laughs. Gary will truly be missed, but not forgotten. Carol, God Bless you and your siblings. Ms. Gladys Q.

Gladys Quarles - May 22, 2018 at 05:07 AM

CP

“ Claudette Pittman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



Claudette Pittman - May 21, 2018 at 10:58 PM

KO

“ RIP, Uncle Gary.

Kendra Southward Oliver - May 21, 2018 at 07:21 PM

DB

“ DENISE BRIDGES lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward



DENISE BRIDGES - May 21, 2018 at 07:05 PM



“ My sincere and heartfelt condolences to the entire family! I remember Gary as a fun and loving family member. We've shared great times together. Blessings and love to all!



Cerese Simpson Pennington - May 21, 2018 at 02:59 PM

AK

“ *My sincere prayers and condolences to the family of Gary Southward. He and I were former co works at General Motors and he always keeps me laughing.*

April Kelley - May 21, 2018 at 02:54 PM

YT

“ *Yvonne Tidwell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Yvonne Tidwell - May 21, 2018 at 01:05 PM

CR

“ *To many memories to name just one. I shed a tear and a solemn moment in your memory. Can you please tell my aunt Dyann that used to enjoy telling you off, cousin Tawaya that you would tell get away from you lololol, my sister Deanna that was your girl! and my deddy that would say "What's up!" hello and I miss you all so much. Ridgeway 4 Life!*



Carolyn Randolph-Witcher

Carolyn Randolph-Witcher - May 21, 2018 at 10:19 AM

PL

“ *Phyllis Leslie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Phyllis Leslie - May 20, 2018 at 10:54 PM

MA

“ *Marion Alston lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Marion Alston - May 20, 2018 at 08:57 PM

MS

“ *My heart is so heavy. Gary was a great guy and former neighbor of mine. Fly high fly high.....you will be missed.....praying for your family and friends..*



Ms..Renee Sykes - May 20, 2018 at 08:31 PM

MS

“ *Monica Southward lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Monica Southward - May 20, 2018 at 04:31 PM

MA

“ *Margie Anthony-Edmonds lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Margie Anthony-Edmonds - May 20, 2018 at 03:33 PM

JW

“ *Jacqueline Woodard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Jacqueline Woodard - May 20, 2018 at 03:31 PM

RJ

“ *To the family of Gary. This a hard time in life but we all have to go there some day. Jesus calls us home for a better life. Gary is on that new journey and we are here to remember him and to leave our legacy. He was a funny man and above a perfectionist cause I know I was there in my younger years. If it wasn't up to his standards, He would make it his standards. I and we will miss him making us laugh sharing life along this journey of life. May God/Jesus bless each and every one us as HE has Gary.*



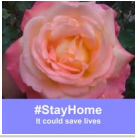
RICHARD JACOBS - May 20, 2018 at 01:46 PM

SS

“ *Sheila Summers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Sheila Summers - May 20, 2018 at 12:48 PM



“ *Sending heartfelt condolences to the Southward family. Keeping you and the entire family in prayer. Gary joking around and contiguous laugh will be greatly missed.*

Pauletta Epps - May 20, 2018 at 08:44 AM

SS

“ *Shirlene(White) Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Shirlene(White) Simmons - May 19, 2018 at 07:40 PM

RM

“ *Ronald Miller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Ronald Miller - May 19, 2018 at 11:37 AM

JW

“ *So sorry to lose him in life. His laughter and good neighborliness will be missed. May God bless the family, friends and neighbors. God comfort us.*

J W - May 19, 2018 at 09:28 AM

CR

“ *Lifitng you all during this time.*



Carolyn Randolph-Witcher - May 19, 2018 at 09:06 AM



“ *Denise Sunshine lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gary Lee Southward*



Denise Sunshine - May 18, 2018 at 07:43 PM

RJ

“ *Prayers to the Family! My Good neighbor! I will miss Gary! He was a very good man! Great Neighbor! He always would lend a helping hand. He was very funny. I'll miss the laughs! A perfectionist! A.K.A Mr. fix it! RIH*



Rachel Jackson - May 18, 2018 at 04:24 PM