



Mrs. Geraldine C. James

October 25, 1924 - July 24, 2020

James, Geraldine C. - Age 95, passed away Friday, July 27, 2020 at her residence. Mrs. James will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed Saturday, August 8, 2020 from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM. Graveside service will be held at 12:00 PM from Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, G-9506 N. Dort Hwy., Mt. Morris, MI.

Geraldine C. James was born in Tylertown, Mississippi, the daughter of the late Mr. Jim Conerly and Mrs. Julia Brister-Conerly. She was 1 of 15 children. Geraldine was married to the late Mr. Wilford "Bill" James for 49 years. From this union they had 3 children, Robert E. James, Mildred James and Patty (James-Jim) Oehmke; step-daughter, Etta Marie Jones. In Tylertown, she was a member of Oak Grove United Methodist Church.

Upon moving to Flint, Michigan, she and the family joined Vernon Chapel A.M.E. Church. After graduation from Walthall County Schools in Mississippi, she attended Piney Woods Prep School. After Piney Woods, she attended both Alcorn A&M College and Jackson State University in Mississippi and earned a Degree in Education. Geraldine was a Teacher and Coach in the Walthall County School District. Upon moving to Flint she became a stay at home wife and mother raising 3 daughters and 1 son. She was very active in the Greater Flint Sports Arena. She was a supporter and Honorary Member of the Greater Flint Olympian, and Canusa Association. Geraldine was a

Honorary Member of the Michigan State University Coaches Club. Attending almost every Michigan State University (MSU) home football game and some away games. At her tailgates everyone was welcome; she loved sports. She was a volunteer at the Genesee County Red Cross.

Geraldine C. James leaves to cherish her memory: 2 daughters, Mildred James of Flint and Patty (James-Jim) Oehmke of East Lansing, MI; son, Robert E. James of Lansing, MI; step-daughter, Etta Marie Jones of New Orleans, LA; 3 grandchildren, Wilford Dushawn James of Flint, Theresa "Teri" Oehmke of Berkeley, CA and Alexandra "Alex" Oehmke, of East Lansing, MI; great-granddaughter, Ariya James of Flint; sister, Kathlyn "Alma" C. Young of Tylertown, MS; brother, Jimmy Dale Conerly of Kenner, LA; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relative and friend including special friends, Velma Nelson and family, Geraldine Lee and family, Sam Nichols and family, LaDale Woods, Vernon Chapel A.M.E. Church family, MSU Sports Family, Sigma Chapter and Sigma Epsilon Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated.

The family would like to express special thanks to Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and Flint Memorial Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider supporting the Greater Flint Olympian, and CANUSA Association or the American Red Cross, Genesee-Lapeer Chapter.

Cemetery Details

Flint Memorial Park Cemetery

G-9506 N. Dort Hwy.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 8. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (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>

Graveside Service

AUG 8. 12:00 PM (ET)

Flint Memorial Park Cemetery
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Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Geraldine C. James*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Carpenter Road will never be the same...you will truly be missed....your love will live forever in what you instilled and taught us....
Love Mark Shivers*

Mark Shivers - December 17, 2020 at 12:14 AM



“ *Lydia Johnson James lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Lydia Johnson James - September 15, 2020 at 07:59 AM



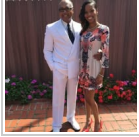
“ *Our condolences to the James family. TaShara Marshall, Sheri Holloway, Joshua and Jayson Holloway of Georgia.*

TaShara Marshall - August 20, 2020 at 01:12 AM



“ *My greatest memories was when we went to Ito Michigan to visit My auntie I will neveforget that vacation*

Tammy Foucher - August 11, 2020 at 08:18 PM



“ *To the James' family,
My deepest & sincere sympathy on the lost of your Mom. I really
appreciated her motherly love for me & she will be missed!
Sincerely Travis Roberts*

Travis Roberts Sr. - August 10, 2020 at 01:04 PM

MH

*Mildred & Shaun, this is Coach Hurd. I live in Texas now, Houston
area, & before I left In July, I wondered how your mom & grandma was
doing. She was a beautiful, kind, encouraging woman that I respected
very much. She always showed me much love! Can't express how
much she meant to me. Heartfelt loss for you guys I know. Mr. James L
Hurd, 14126 Newberry Grove Ln. Rosharon Texas, 77583*

Mr. James L. Hurd - August 22, 2020 at 03:51 PM

TS

“ *To the James' family
My deepest & sincere sympathy on the lost of your Mom! I
appreciated her motherly LOVE for me & she will be missed!
Sincerely, Travis Roberts*

Travis Roberts Sr - August 10, 2020 at 12:50 PM

AB

“ *Small in stature with a large presence. That was Mrs. James. She allowed her persona to intersect and integrate with all of us students from Martin Elementary, Holmes Junior High and Northwestern High schools. Through her dedication to her children to get a comprehensive education (academic, sports and social) we, as her children’s classmates, were beneficiaries of that dedication. She matriculated through the school system along with each of her children and us. If there was a constant throughout my Flint Public School experience, it was Mrs. James. Her personal contact, counsel and personal involvement helped to guide the lives of hundreds of her children’s classmates and friends. Her dedication to education is worthy of special recognition from the District. What a woman! My condolences to the James family, especially Mildred, my life-long friend, and Robert.*

Albert Brunson - August 09, 2020 at 10:52 AM

AW

“ *Mrs. James was always kind and gracious to The Ques. I know that as one of Robert’s many younger Chapter brothers I had one stop I had to make during every home game. The many Spartan tailgates are far to numerous to mention. We always felt welcomed and where encouraged to get something to eat.*

Thank you Mrs. James.

Al Wilson - August 08, 2020 at 02:05 PM



“ *Lula Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Lula Lewis - August 08, 2020 at 11:41 AM

RF

“ Rhonda Etherly & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James



Rhonda Etherly & Family - August 08, 2020 at 10:02 AM

LC

“ Her smile was joyous It was from her heart and twinkled in her eyes .I never saw her without it. She valued physical and scholastic excellence and was a positive influence to not only the Northwestern gang but also the youth of her community for decades. Mrs. James was not a bystander but a giver of her time and encouragement She lived a full and active life with just the right amount of mischievousness thrown in . Rest in joy ! WE LOVE YOU MILDRED Lyria and Julius Carroll



Lyria Carroll - August 07, 2020 at 09:35 PM

EH

“ Elbert Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James



Elbert Hicks - August 07, 2020 at 08:40 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mrs. Geraldine C. James.*



August 07, 2020 at 08:32 PM



“ *Sending our sincerest condolences to the Geraldine James family. May she rest forever in paradise. From Edward and Lynn Payne*

Edward Payne - August 07, 2020 at 06:25 PM



“ *We pray that your loving memories of Ms Geraldine will ease your loss and bring you comfort.*



Blessings,

*The Lynn Family
Wayne, Melanie, Lauren, Brittney and Chanel*

Melanie C. Lynn - August 07, 2020 at 05:15 PM



“ *Mrs. James memory will live on in our hearts. Prayers and much love to the family. Kevin (Kip) and Phillicia Miller*



Phillicia Miller - August 07, 2020 at 03:50 PM

VW

“ Praying that Our Heavenly Father strengthens and comforts the entire James Family and many, many friends. Mrs. James such a loving, warm and caring woman of God. She loved swimming, and her daughter Mildred and grand son. She loved teaching people to swim. Her Big smile, and soft voice made you feel at ease and that you could do it with no fear. Thank you Mrs. James I will always cherish you for that. Cherish all the lovely memories your mother and grandmother she was a Jewel. Sincerely, Valerie (Anthony) Williams



Valerie Jean Williams - August 07, 2020 at 10:33 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Geraldine C. James.



August 06, 2020 at 08:56 PM

NF

“ Nieces and Nephews Dennis and Bonnie Brown Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Geraldine C. James.



Nieces and Nephews Dennis and Bonnie Brown Family -
August 06, 2020 at 05:48 PM

JT

“ Though I only had the pleasure of being in her company a few times, she radiated warmth and kindness. What a great woman she was. She did a wonderful job in raising her children. Her son Robert, my fraternal brother, is an excellent example of the caliber of children that she raised and can be proud of. May God bless her soul and provide comfort to the family during this sad moment in time.

John T. Turner - August 06, 2020 at 01:51 PM

MF

“ Myron & Dee Freeman purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Mrs. Geraldine C. James.



Myron & Dee Freeman - August 06, 2020 at 11:56 AM

MF

“ To Robert, Pattie and Mildred,
Please accept our condolences on the loss of your loving mother.
She lived a wonderfully fruitful life as evidenced by her long life, off-
springs and grandchildren. The good times and memories will last
forever! God Bless.
Myron & Dee Freeman

Myron Freeman - August 06, 2020 at 11:41 AM

ET

“ *Ernelle Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Ernelle Taylor - August 06, 2020 at 06:51 AM

GL

“ *Geraldine Lee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Geraldine Lee - August 06, 2020 at 04:35 AM

GF

“ *Geraldine Lee And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



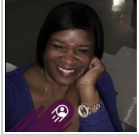
Geraldine Lee and family - August 06, 2020 at 04:34 AM



“ *Dessie Conerly purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Geraldine C. James.*



Dessie Conerly - August 05, 2020 at 10:56 PM



“ Aunt Ger, My greatest memory of time spent was when Jim got in trouble for telling me to swing as high as I wanted to, but you got him for giving me this instructions.. Your very presence will be missed.. Take your rest your job on this side is done. 🙏 Love Dessie /Pebbles

Dessie Conerly - August 05, 2020 at 10:32 PM

DJ

“ We had a wonderful aunt, one who never really grew old, her smile was made of sunshine, and her heart was solid gold. You will be really miss and never forgotten, may keep you,

Tonya, Denver, Kelvin, Dennis Brown

Dennis Brown Jr - August 05, 2020 at 08:08 PM



FW

“ Thank you Mrs. James for accepting me into your "tailgate family"! I will always remember your!

Felton Wright

Felton V Wright - August 05, 2020 at 07:21 PM

AH

“ Deepest condolence
Alesia Summers-Harris



Alesia Summers Harris - August 05, 2020 at 05:46 PM

VP

“ Mrs. James was a beautiful soul. I can remember her always cheering us on at Northwestern, wheather is was basketball, track or swimming, she was a true Wildcat fan and super supporter of her daughters! I loved seeing her at events, always with that wonderful broad sweeping smile on her face. She was short in stature but bigger than life in encouragement and helping you to believe you can reach your goals. She also didn't hold her tougue if she thought you were slacking off. She spoke her mind and that was that. I loved that candidness about her. My heart goes out to the family and I will be praying for you all. God bless you and may he keep you in his perfect peace.

Venetia Petteway - August 05, 2020 at 05:08 PM

BM

“ *Bobbie J McClendon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Bobbie J McClendon - August 04, 2020 at 07:13 PM

DC

“ *Mrs James was truly a wonder! A forever supporter of the Flint Olympian and CANUSA Games, always smiling and positive. May all of us models her spirit. Mary and I send our prayers and thoughts to Mildred, a truly special daughter. Rest In Peace Mrs. James, you will be missed. Dan & Mary Cady*

Daniel Cady - August 03, 2020 at 10:43 AM

TC

“ Tony & Brenda Caldwell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James



Tony & Brenda Caldwell - August 02, 2020 at 07:15 PM

MW

“ Maggie Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James



Maggie Williams - August 01, 2020 at 02:27 PM

MH

“ I am very sad for this huge loss for so many of us. I'll never forget all of the life lessons you have taught me. To this day, I've never stop swimming and that's because of you. May you Rest In Peace ❤️❤️
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Mario Hicks - July 30, 2020 at 03:26 PM

LW

“ Linda F Winfrey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James



Linda F Winfrey - July 29, 2020 at 03:51 PM

TS

“ Momma James was a staple at the Greater Flint Olympian & CANUSA Games, a supporter, and an Honorary Member of the Greater Flint Olympian and CANUSA Association. She will be dearly missed.

*Celebrating her life,
Tony Sitko- President
Greater Flint Olympian & CANUSA Association*

Tony Sitko - July 29, 2020 at 08:35 AM



“ Jimmie Barfield lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James



Jimmie Barfield - July 29, 2020 at 08:24 AM

MG

“ We will always remember Geraldine from the MSU football tailgates where we first met her. She was a great lady!

Sorry for your loss.

Myrna and Derek Greer



Myrna Greer - July 28, 2020 at 07:01 PM

JS

Many have been touched by Mrs. James' sweet and caring spirit. Her transition truly enhances the glory and beauty of heaven. May God comfort the family with a peace and strength that only He can give. With deepest sympathy, Janet Smalley and Family

Janet Smalley - July 31, 2020 at 12:22 PM



Your smile and love for people will be greatly missed. With deep sympathy, Lula Lewis and Family

Lula Lewis - August 08, 2020 at 11:38 AM

TF

“ *The Collins Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



The Collins Family - July 28, 2020 at 03:35 PM

CW

“ *Cathy Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Cathy Williams - July 28, 2020 at 08:58 AM

IB

“ *Ivy Blount lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Ivy Blount - July 27, 2020 at 01:15 PM

KW

“ *Bishop Kirk & Jacqueline Williams Sr.*



Kirk Williams - July 27, 2020 at 11:39 AM

KW

“ *Kirk Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Kirk Williams - July 27, 2020 at 11:35 AM

SJ

“ *Rest easy grandma... You will always be my special angel. And Go Green forever!!!*



Shawn James - July 27, 2020 at 03:54 AM

SW

“ *Sherry L Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Sherry L Williams - July 26, 2020 at 11:10 PM

LG

“ *Linda Gulley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Linda Gulley - July 26, 2020 at 01:31 PM

JC

“ *Janis Conerly lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine C. James*



Janis Conerly - July 26, 2020 at 06:24 AM