



## Mother Gerline Ferguson

December 12, 1941 - June 11, 2025

FERGUSON, Mother Gerline - Age 83, passed away Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at her residence. Family hour 11:00 AM Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at Foss Avenue Baptist Church, 1159 E. Foss Ave., with funeral service commencing at 12:00 PM. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11:00 AM Tuesday, June 24, 2025. Mother Ferguson 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 - 6:00 PM Monday, with family present from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM to receive friends. Mother Gerline Ferguson was born December 12, 1941 in Deer Lake (Jonesboro), Arkansas, the daughter of Cora Lee and Robert Umphryes. Gerline graduated from Central High School in Grand Rapids, MI and Jordan College in Flint, Michigan. She married Cleophas Ferguson Sr. and was a member of St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Dr. J.S. Hopkins, Pastor and later moved her membership to Foss Avenue Baptist Church where Dr. Brian Frelix Sr. is the Pastor. Mother Ferguson actively served on the Mother's Board, Sunday School, Choir and the Nursing Home Ministries. She was retired and loved to sing in the Choir, watch Western Cowboy movies and working on the Mother's Board.

Mother Gerline Ferguson leaves to cherish her memory: children, Ray (Lucy) Umphryes of Whitehall, AR, Wayne Townsend of Murfreesboro, TN, Damita Richard, Yolanda Randolph, Tracy Umphryes, Gerline Ferguson (Bird),

De'Anglo Ferguson, Antoine (Déjá) Ferguson, all of Flint, Cleodis (Tyresha) Ferguson of Clarksville, TN, Prescious Richards of North Carolina, Reginald Ferguson, Stevie (Donnie) Ferguson, Kenneth (Latrell) Ferguson, Stanley (Kathy) Ferguson, Cleophas Ferguson Jr., all of Atlanta, GA; sister, Juanita Forrest of Grand Rapids, MI; a host of grandchildren including special grandchildren, Larry Umphryes, Trinna Brown, Juanita Richard and Roshanda Townsend; a host of great-grandchildren including special great-grandchildren, Sir'Khingston Richard and Dream Ferguson; and host of great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins; god-daughters, Brittney Adams, Dr. Darcele (Cole) Robinson, Vanessa Thornton and Tasha Thorton; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Cedric Freeman and Darlene Tolbert. Mother Ferguson was preceded in death by her husband, Clephas Ferguson Sr.; son, Joe Townsend; daughter, Terri Umphryes; grandson, Darryl Richard Jr.; parents, Cora Lee and Robert Umphryes Sr.; brother, Robert Umphryes Jr.; and sister, Jessie Umphryes; daughter-in-law, Ruby "Cookie" Ferguson; son-in-daughter, Darryl Shayne Richard Sr. The family would like to express special thanks to McLaren Hospice nurse, Michelle Boehm, Dr. Brian Frelix Sr., Pastor and Foss Avenue Baptist Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUN **23**. 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 Present

JUN **23**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Family hour

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JUN **24**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Foss Ave. Baptist Church  
1159 E. Foss Ave.  
Flint, MI 48505

## Funeral Service

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JUN **24**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JF

“ Jarrell Townsend and Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mother Gerline Ferguson.



Jarrell Townsend and Family - June 24, 2025 at 05:22 PM

RC

“ Rahsheem J Covington lit a candle in memory of Mother Gerline Ferguson



Rahsheem J Covington - June 24, 2025 at 12:34 PM

MF

“ Minister Adrian & Tamika Muldrew & Famil lit a candle in memory of Gerline Ferguson



Minister Adrian & Tamika Muldrew & Famil - June 24, 2025 at 10:37 AM

JD

“ Carl and Joyce Davis



Joyce davis - June 21, 2025 at 04:41 PM

TP

“ *Tiny Presnall lit a candle in memory of Mother Gerline Ferguson*



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**Tiny Presnall** - June 21, 2025 at 12:56 PM

CA

“ *To the entire Ferguson families all near and far our everlasting sentiments are expressed during this time. The peace of God covers as the words of many shall not. Mrs. Gerline has been a spiritual fixture in our lives for decades. Dressed to the 9's as the kids say and always ready for an update of something new that we should know to be aware. 😂 Many special stern qualities that kept us kids in line always with a smile. Bessie Mae Randolph's children!*



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**Carolyn** - June 21, 2025 at 02:33 AM

EH

“ *Earlene Hildreth sent a virtual gift in memory of Gerline Ferguson*



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**Earlene Hildreth** - June 20, 2025 at 06:08 PM

CY

“ My prayers and thoughts goes out to the family and friends of such a wonderful woman.



Candace Yancy - June 20, 2025 at 05:05 PM

PM

“ We send our deepest condolences and prayers to the Family during this difficult time. May your hearts be filled with peace knowing Mother Ferguson is at rest with the Lord.  
Phillip and Gloria Morgan



Phillip & Gloria Morgan - June 20, 2025 at 10:03 AM

LT

“ Larry Hill and Randy Wise Sales Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mother Gerline Ferguson.



Larry Hill and Randy Wise Sales Team - June 19, 2025 at 06:18 PM

LT

“ Larry Hill and Randy Wise Sales Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mother Gerline Ferguson.

Larry Hill and Randy Wise Sales Team - June 19, 2025 at 06:18 PM

CN

“ *Camiya Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Mother Gerline Ferguson*



**Camiya Nicholson** - June 19, 2025 at 02:57 PM

EM

“ *Eddie & Paulette McGheé lit a candle in memory of Gerline Ferguson*



**Eddie & Paulette McGheé** - June 19, 2025 at 01:03 PM

KM

“ *Sending Prayers to The Ferguson Family. May God give you strength to make it through the days ahead. Kuwana Mack*



**Kuwanna Mack** - June 17, 2025 at 11:30 PM

JW

“ *Jerri Winfrey-Carter lit a candle in memory of Mother Gerline Ferguson*



**Jerri Winfrey-Carter** - June 17, 2025 at 03:27 PM

JS

“ *Jacqueline Scott lit a candle in memory of Gerline Ferguson*



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**Jacqueline Scott** - June 17, 2025 at 10:01 AM

RE

“ *Mother Ferguson was a very nice and Classy lady. She had a unique dress style.. one of the best dressed lady whom I had the pleasure of knowing. Take your rest beautiful lady. I'll miss your beautiful smile and your kind nature*

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**Robin Edwards** - June 17, 2025 at 09:39 AM

JD

“ *Joyce davis lit a candle in memory of Gerline Ferguson*



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**Joyce davis** - June 17, 2025 at 09:33 AM

LH

“ *A very classy lady who loved her family and friends. Always looking beautiful.. We will miss your smile, hugs and laughter. Rest on our friend.*



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**Larry and Shirley Henderson** - June 16, 2025 at 08:26 PM

ST

“ *Mother Ferguson was truly one of a kind. I needed to pause just to send the family my sincere condolences. My prayer is that God will grant the family comfort and peace in the days ahead. Mother will truly be missed.*

Sheila Torbert - June 16, 2025 at 04:38 PM

EF

“ *Love leads behind more than death can take. Hold on to the memories.*



Eddie McGhee Family - June 16, 2025 at 03:36 PM

EM

“ *Sending my prayers and condolences to family*



Earline McFadden - June 15, 2025 at 09:50 PM

BB

“ *Praying for the family of moma Jill. I will never forget all the memories.*



Barbara (Lane) McLaurin Bey - June 14, 2025 at 01:00 PM

EF

“ *Sending Our Love and Sincere Condolences, to the Families. Mother Ferguson, will truly be missed. She was a Prayer Warrior, and a Very Classy Dressing Woman of God. It is our prayer, that God gives her family the strength that they'll need at this most difficult time. RIH Mother take your rest* 🙏💜✝️



**Elder-Dr. Carolyn Davis & Family** - June 13, 2025 at 07:51 PM

SM

“ *Sidney & Gwen Muldrew lit a candle in memory of Gerline Ferguson*



**Sidney & Gwen Muldrew** - June 13, 2025 at 06:01 PM

TW

“ *Tamera Wade lit a candle in memory of Gerline Ferguson*



**Tamera Wade** - June 13, 2025 at 04:47 PM

DE

“ *Debra Evans sent a virtual gift in memory of Gerline Ferguson*



**Debra Evans** - June 13, 2025 at 02:18 PM

PW

“ Patricia Williams lit a candle in memory of Mother Gerline Ferguson



Patricia Williams - June 12, 2025 at 07:47 PM

CP

“ Carmen & Erwin Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mother Gerline Ferguson



Carmen & Erwin Patterson - June 11, 2025 at 08:27 PM

LS

“ Lauren D Simpson lit a candle in memory of Mother Gerline Ferguson



Lauren D Simpson - June 11, 2025 at 04:51 PM

LH

*My deepest condolences to Mother Ferguson , let her rest in peace with Larry Hill and the Randy Wise Chevy , our hearts are with the Family*

Larry Hill - June 19, 2025 at 06:10 PM

JW

*My deepest sympathy to the family of Mother Ferguson. Her beautiful smile was so uplifting. She will be missed!*

Juanita Wells - June 24, 2025 at 01:33 PM