



## Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner

November 29, 1934 - March 5, 2026

HOLLIDAY - TURNER, Ms. Gwendolyn - Age 91, passed away Thursday, March 5, 2026 in Flint, MI. Family hour 11:00 AM Monday, March 16, 2026, at Word of Life Christian Church, 460 W. Atherton Rd., with funeral service commencing at 12:00 PM. Pastor Delrico Loyd, Officiating. Friends and family will assemble at the church 11:00 AM Monday. Ms. Turner-Holliday will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. and may be viewed from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Sunday.

Gwendolyn Vada Holliday Turner was born on November 29, 1934 in Flint Michigan, to the late Gerturde Keith-Holliday and the late Charles Holliday.

Gwen loved to learn: She graduated from Flint Central High School and continued her education at Mott Community College earning her Associate's Degree as a Registered Nurse. Later, she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree at the University of Michigan and attended graduate courses at the University of Colorado.

Gwen loved to serve: She began her career at St Joseph's hospital as an LPN before taking a position at Hurley Hospital as a Registered Nurse. She advanced her career at Hurley becoming the 1st Black surgical scrub nurse and one of the first Black head nurses there. She then worked as a Public Health Nurse for Genesee County. She later took an opportunity to work as a

Nurse Counselor throughout Flint Community Schools and retired while working in that capacity at Flint Southwestern High School. In her retirement, she began advocating on behalf of Senior Citizens at Hasselbring Senior Center where she wrote columns in support of senior programs for the Flint Courier newsletter.

Gwendolyn loved life: Gwendolyn enjoyed traveling with family. She particularly enjoyed her frequent trips to Las Vegas with and to visit her late cousin Marian Hudspeth. She loved sewing, quilting and crafting, but also loved shopping and fashion. She loved cultivating her small rose garden and testing new recipes. Gwen loved to dance and socialize and made many fast friends over years. Gwen had a heart of gold, and she thrived on helping others less fortunate. In her later years, she enjoyed spending time at the Hasselbring Senior Center where she made many friends.

Gwendolyn loved God: Gwen was baptized at an early age at Shiloh Baptist Church. She later became a member of Holy Temple Church of God in Christ. When she became home-bound, she enjoyed receiving the virtual word of Triumph Church.

Most of all Gwendolyn loved Family: Gwen was orphaned at an early age and was raised by her grandparents, Mrs. Vada and Mr. Johnny Williams along with her late brother Charles. Gwen married the late Timothy Turner and they were blessed with five children from their union of nearly 25 years. Gwen poured love into her family and ensured that all of her children were college educated. She was a doting grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother.

Gwendolyn Holliday Turner leaves to cherish her memory: her daughters, Michelle (Charles) Robinson and Jean-Vierre (Jonathan) Adams; her grandchildren, Chie (Gordon) Jones, Jennifer Stevens, Nandi Robinson,

Charles Robinson, Timothy Turner III, Angelique Turner, Tiffany Turner, Liberty Turner, Akeem Cargile, and Surya Adams; 10 great grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren; special niece, Vickie George and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and students.

Gwen was preceded in death by her parents, her grandparents, her brother, her son Timothy and her daughters Nicole Stevenson and Tamella Turner.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAR **15**. 10:00 AM - 4:00 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 hour

MAR **16**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Word of Life Christian Church  
460 W. Atherton Road  
Flint, MI 48507

## Funeral Service

MAR **16**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

PA

“ *Pamela Altheimer*



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**Pamela Altheimer** - March 23 at 06:34 PM

MB

“ *What a beautiful soul! Outstanding light that we all aspired to follow! I can see her walking the halls of various hospitals she administered a healing touch, smile! She was so dear to my family! The "Doc" Burton! She was a special Angel to him! My cuz, Babs Gaines Moton as well!*

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**Maxine Burton n Peggy Burton-Wilson** - March 18 at 05:55 PM

MA

“ *My condolences to you and the family.*



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**Marie** - March 18 at 05:22 PM

MM

“ *Mayrene Mcgruder lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner*



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**mayrene mcgruder** - March 14 at 09:37 PM

JD

“ *Jamaine Dickens purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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**Jamaine Dickens** - March 14 at 11:48 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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March 13 at 01:03 PM

BA

“ *BRENDA ADAMS purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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**BRENDA ADAMS** - March 12 at 10:07 PM

FF

“ *From Robert Adams Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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**From Robert Adams Family** - March 12 at 09:44 PM

WO

“ Wayne County Treasurer's Office purchased the Care and Compassion Spray for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.



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Wayne County Treasurer's Office - March 12 at 08:36 PM

DS

“ Mz Turner loved flowers! We would travel to her favorite green house, purchase her flowers of her liking. I would then plant them in flower pots and in her yard for her. She always wanted to go to Meijer's at least twice a week.

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Drusilla Stephens - March 12 at 06:16 PM

EP

“ Eldreama Primm-Elerson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner



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Eldreama Primm-Elerson - March 12 at 04:48 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.



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March 12 at 04:15 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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March 12 at 03:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.

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March 12 at 03:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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March 12 at 02:43 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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March 12 at 12:49 PM



“ *Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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March 12 at 12:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.

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March 12 at 12:45 PM



“ *The Detroit Public Library purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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**The Detroit Public Library** - March 12 at 11:57 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.*



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March 12 at 11:15 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.

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March 12 at 11:15 AM

WM

“ Sending my prayers and condolences to your family❤️



Walette Morse - March 12 at 11:12 AM

PN

“ Patricia Gardner Nelson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner



Patricia Gardner Nelson - March 12 at 11:11 AM

CT

“ Charles Thompson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner



charles Thompson - March 12 at 07:38 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.



March 11 at 10:25 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.

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“ Nellie Bacon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner



Nellie Bacon - March 11 at 09:44 AM



“ Akeem C. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.



Akeem C. - March 10 at 05:45 PM



“ Habeebat purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.



Habeebat - March 10 at 05:33 PM

AC

“ Akeem C. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner.



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Akeem C. - March 10 at 05:32 PM

DD

“ Debra Davis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner



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Debra Davis - March 10 at 04:47 PM

AJ

“ Andrew L. Gayden Jr lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner



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Andrew L. Gayden Jr - March 10 at 03:56 PM

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“ May she rest in piece and may the angels welcome her to Paradise ❤️👍



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Ernelle Taylor - March 10 at 01:34 PM

GS

“ Ms. Gwen was a ray of sunshine with a beautiful smile and quick laugh. Smart, witty, kind, thought provoking, encouraging, I enjoyed growing up with my friend and learning from her mama. Thank you for the lessons, thank you for my friend, thank you, thank you, thank you. May you rest forever in peace and our hearts. 🙏🌸



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**Gloria Scruggs** - March 09 at 10:33 PM

PT

“ Patricia and Fred Tarver lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner



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**Patricia and Fred Tarver** - March 09 at 09:11 PM

HP

“ Hailey Piorkowski lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner



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**Hailey Piorkowski** - March 08 at 01:24 PM

HP

“ Sending my love and hugs during this hard time. So sorry for your loss 🙏😞 she was well loved ☐😞

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**Hailey Piorkowski** - March 08 at 01:23 PM



“ *Monica Garfield sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner*



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**Monica Garfield** - March 07 at 10:44 PM



“ *James & Barbara Moore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn Holliday - Turner*



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**James & Barbara Moore** - March 07 at 03:52 PM



“ *To the Turner family, with deepest sympathy from Lorean Holmes and Abby Johnson. Know that we are thinking and praying for you during this painful time.*”

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**Abby Johnson** - March 06 at 02:41 PM