



Mr. Hazel Thornton

November 29, 1924 - January 8, 2013

THORNTON, Mr. Hazel - Age 88, passed away Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at his residence. Family hour 10 a.m. Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, G-4805 N. Saginaw St., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Dr. Henry L. Fuller, Jr., officiating. Interment Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, G-9506 N. Dort Hwy. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10 a.m. Wednesday. Mr. Thornton will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12 noon-8 p.m. Tuesday with family present from 5-8 p.m.

Mr. Hazel Thornton was born November 24, 1924 in Catron, Missouri from the union of Jerry Thornton and Rachel (Blackman) Thornton who both preceded him in death. Mr. Thornton went to high school in Libourn, Missouri and upon leaving high school in 1942 he entered the United States Navy; after diligently serving in the military he was Honorably Discharged and upon coming home he married Ruth Gouns in 1949. He moved to South Bend, Indiana, finally working his way to Flint, Michigan, where he was hired into General Motors, retiring in 1990 and was a member of UAW Local 599. Mr. Thornton was a loyal, faithful member of Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church for many years. He loved to fish as well as watching his favorite sports shows on TV. Mr. Thornton also enjoyed traveling, visiting friends and family, and going out to eat. He was an energetic man with strong convictions and loved his

Cadillac.

Mr. Hazel Thornton leaves behind to mourn his memory: 3 daughters, Ethel Louise (Nate) Bruce, Elizabeth Robinson and Annette Norman (Wendell); 2 sons, Kennon Dewayne Coffey and Starling Etherly, all of Flint; 3 step children, Pat (Miles) Fordham, Jerry Coffey, both of Flint and Roderick (Gwen) Coffey, Sr., of Alabama; 13 grandchildren, Yvonna (Jeff) Wheeler, Terri Gilmore, Laura (Alton) Knight, Elizabeth LaCour, Thurmon and Hermon Robinson, Felilshia Garrett, all of Flint, Justin Robinson of Columbus, OH, Tabetha Coffey of Flint, Shelissa Coffey, Roderick Coffey Jr., Dereck Coffey, all of Alabama, Jerry Coffey Jr., Ivan (Gi-Gi) Norman of Beaumont, CA; 19 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; sister, Jerry Taylor; sister-in-law, Clara Thornton, both of St. Louis, MO.

Mr. Thornton was preceded in death by wife, Ruth Thornton; grandson, Miles Coffey; great-grandson, Aaron LaCour; parents, Jerry and Rachel (Blackman) Thornton; 4 brothers, A.J., James, Thurmon and Clinton Thornton; and 2 sisters, Annette and Martha Bell.

The family of Hazel Thornton would like to express special thanks to the staff of Hurley Medical Center, Avalon Hospice and everyone who has been there with their love and support either in person, phone calls and/or in prayer.

Cemetery Details

Flint Memorial Park Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **15**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 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

JAN **16**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church
4805 N. Saginaw Street
Flint, MI 48505

Service

JAN 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Hazel Thornton*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to the entire family of Mr. Hazel Thornton.
"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." Psalm
116:15*

*Lou and Starlin my cousin, cherish and share often the fond
memories you have of your precious father. Continue to carry out
his legacy. My prayer is that you will look to God and each other for
comfort during this time and the days to come.*

Peace, love and blessings.

Cerese

Cerese Simpson Pennington - January 14, 2013 at 11:25 AM

CC

“ I did not know Mr. Thornton but from his obituary he accomplished many things in life. But in Jehovah eyes he was suppose to live much longer and accomplish much more. James 4:14 says it best. It says: " For you are a mist appearing for a little while and then disappearing. So many things happen that keep us from accomplishing what Jehovah purposed for us at Genesis 1:28. But I hope this scripture gives you hope. It gives me hope. It is found at Isaiah 25:8. It reads: "He(Jehovah) will actually swallow up death forever, and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will certainly wipe the tears from all faces." I would like to leave you with one last thought found at Isaiah 33:24. And it says: "No resident will say: "I am sick." So Jehovah promises perfect life and health without death. He also promises everlasting life here on a paradise earth. If you would like to know more I have left my e-mail address. Again I am deeply sorry for your loss.

Celeste' M. Clausell - January 13, 2013 at 08:46 AM



“ Linda English lit a candle in memory of Mr. Hazel Thornton



Linda English - January 11, 2013 at 01:05 PM

LC

“ Blessings of comfort during your time of loss and may The Lord give you a peace that passes all understanding As you celebrate the homegoing of your father, grandfather, and great-grand father

Loria Corder - January 10, 2013 at 05:28 PM

RC

“ Hazel,

You were a wonderful father that touched and influenced the lives of everyone you came in contact with. You had such a positive impact on my life, and I will always be grateful. You taught me and gave me respectable Christian morals and values that have made me a better man; I have no passed those same morals and values to my family.

I love you daddy Hazel, you will truly be missed. I'm not going to be selfish because you're with the Lord and I know you will continue to watch over us.

*Your loving son,
Lynn*

Roderick Coffey - January 09, 2013 at 07:40 PM