



Mr. Herschel Roberts

June 6, 1952 - October 16, 2013

ROBERTS, Mr. Herschel - Age 61, passed away Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at his residence. Funeral Service commencing at 11 a.m. Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at Saints of God Church, 528 W. Pierson Rd. Pastor Alfred L. Harris, Sr., officiating. Family and friends will assemble at the church 11 a.m. Tuesday. Mr. Roberts 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. Monday with family hour from 6-8 p.m. with family present.

Mr. Herschel Roberts was born June 6, 1952 in Flint, MI, to parents, Nelson and Willie Bea Roberts, Sr., he was the youngest of four children. Herschel married Kathy Michelle Welch on July 26, 1986. To this union two sons were born.

Herschel attended Flint Community Schools, graduating from Northern High School, "Class of 1970." Herschel first entered the workforce in 1970 with Genesee Bank before a stellar and dedicated 33 years with Mass Transportation Authority (MTA). His charisma and sincerity brought joy to his many passengers throughout the years.

Being courteous, respectful, polite and honorable; the traits of a gentleman, which made Herschel unique, will live on through his three sons Dwan Finney, Herschel Rumeil Roberts, and Michael Joseph Roberts.

Herschel was famous for his involvement with vintage automobiles including ownership of his favorites being a '57 Plymouth and '51 Chevrolet. He was an awesome cook, especially during the holidays and family celebrations.

His final grand achievement was his acceptance of Christ Jesus as his Lord and Savior, being baptized by Pastor Alfred L. Harris, Sr., and becoming an active member of Saints of God Church.

Brother Herschel leaves to continue his legacy: wife, Kathy of 27 years; three sons, Dwan (Valorie) of Phoenix, AZ, Herschel Rumeil of Cincinnati, OH and Michael Joseph of Lansing, MI; the joy of his life, twin grandchildren, Brooklyn and Brenton of Phoenix, AZ; sister, Mavis Collins of Flint, MI; brothers, Nelson Roberts, Jr., of Burton, MI and Charles Roberts of Rochester Hills, MI; aunts, Helen Brown and Mary Glenn of Cleveland, OH; uncle, Joseph (Juanita) Roberts of Palm Desert, CA; father & mother-in-law, Kermit and Constance Welch, Jr., of Flint, MI; sisters-in-law, Angela (Steve) Staten of Burton, MI, Katrina (David) Smith of Falls Church, VA, Karla Lawrence of Mt. Morris, MI; brother-in-law; Kermit (Zerell) Welch, III of Leeseburg, VA; aunts, Martha Mays and Marie Welch of Flint, MI; special nephews, Bobby, Calvin, Jermain and Tony; several nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends including Larry and Inez Goodman, Maurice and Karen Vickers, Kay Hatchett, Navarro Lockett, Ronald Thomas, and Lawrence Cooley: The Poindexter, Finney, Willis, Dye, and Hamlett families: two goddaughters, Sparkle and Danora.

Brother Herschel was preceded in death by parents, Nelson and Willie Bea Roberts; grandmothers, Annie Fuller and Millie Roberts; grandfathers, Charles Fuller and Joseph Roberts, Sr.; nieces, Patty Collins and Denise Johnson; aunt, Mazie English; uncles, Willie English and Rev. Louis Mays.

The family extends a heartfelt thank you to family, friends, and love ones for

all acts of kindness, love and support. Special Thanks to Pastor Alfred and Sis. Denise Harris, Saints of God Church family.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT **21**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Family hour

OCT **21**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

OCT **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Saints of God Church
2200 Forest Hill Avenue
Flint, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Herschel Roberts*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *To the family of Herschel You have my deepest sympathy I did not know of his passing,I was a guest at Herschel & Kathy's wedding years ago.He will be truly missed He was a cool,kind,and well respected person in flint.God Bless to You all and may He Rest In Peace.*



Sabrena Gipson - October 28, 2013 at 07:15 PM



“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. God will give you strength to push forward. Love You all. Brenda Adams and Family.*



Brenda Adams - October 22, 2013 at 09:16 AM

PT

“ *His journey's just begun
Don't think of him as gone away
his journey's just begun,
life holds so many facets
this earth is only one.
Just think of him as resting
from the sorrows and the tears
in a place of warmth and comfort
where there are no days and years.
Think how he must be wishing
that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.
And think of him as living
in the hearts of those he touched...
for nothing loved is ever lost
and he was loved so much.*



Pamela Tolliver, Ebony French, Calib French,

pamela tolliver - October 22, 2013 at 08:19 AM

KH

Lovely

ketchia hart - October 23, 2013 at 07:07 AM

KH

“ Dear Kathy,
Herschel was a gentle soul, very respectful and he always created me with a hug and smile. I pray GOD Bless you and your family with strength to endure this unexpected loss.

Love, The Hart Family

ketchia hart - October 22, 2013 at 08:19 AM

KH

"Greeted me"

ketchia hart - October 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

DM

“ When I heard Herschel passed away I was in shock. He was a sweet lovely person. He will be miss. He took my son Brandon McGee-Jones in as his god son. I been knowing Herschel for many years. To Mrs. Kathy Roberts, Herschel Roberts Jr., and Micheal Roberts me and Brandon love you all so much. R.I.P. Herschel your god son misses you so much. Praying for his lovely family.

Dorothy Jones and godson Brandon Mcgee-J - October 21, 2013 at 07:28 PM

KD

“ To Kathy & The Herschel Family:

I have known this family for so many years and hearing of Herschel's death indirectly and then fully knowing that it was my good friend from the paper left me numb. I can say that Herschel was a great husband & father and was an extremely hard working man. He definitely left a great legacy behind to his wife and family that meant the world to him. Kathy, I love and miss you and I am here for you whenever you need. God knows our needs will never leave your side in time of sorrow. My prayers are with you all and may God Bless!

Kim & KiYana Dudley

Kim Dudley - October 21, 2013 at 04:00 PM

RB

“ To the Family of Herschel Roberts,

I knew Herschel for a long time, he graduated a year before me. But it just seem like yesterday that I saw him. He was a friend and a gentleman. He will be sadly missed. We will keep you and your family in our prayers. Gone but not forgotten.



Renee Blythe and Family

Renee Blythe - October 21, 2013 at 03:45 PM

KD

“ *Kim Dudley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts*



Kim Dudley - October 21, 2013 at 03:40 PM

TC

“ *Tracey Collins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts*



Tracey Collins - October 21, 2013 at 02:55 PM

LM

“ *Linda Mayfield & Love Family To my neice Kathy and family, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. We are praying for you during this time of sorrow, remember "God makes know mistakes just remember all the good times that you had with Herschel. The Bible states. "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord". Luv you! Aunt Linda Mayfield & Family*

Linda Fay Mayfield - October 21, 2013 at 02:18 PM

LM

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Linda Fay Mayfield - October 21, 2013 at 02:18 PM

JE

“ *Kathy and family,
We're all so sorry to hear about Mr. Roberts' passing. He was a warm and generous soul at Doyle Ryder, and will be greatly missed. I remember how much fun his Boy Scouts meetings were for all the boys at Doyle Ryder, including our son, Kenneth. And Kathy, please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.
Hugs from the Kildee family, Dan, Jennifer, Kenneth and Katy*

Jennifer - October 21, 2013 at 11:23 AM

MJ

“ *To the Roberts Family,
It is with sincere and deepest sympathy we offer these condolences. We pray that you will find comfort in God's loving arms as you mourn your loss.
The Doyle Ryder Staff
Flint Community Schools*

Marcia James - October 20, 2013 at 06:44 PM

DD

“ *Donald And Andrietta Dicks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts*



Donald and Andrietta Dicks - October 20, 2013 at 04:20 PM

DD

Kathy,

We are so sorry to hear about your Dear husband and our friend Herschel. Please know that our prayers are with you and your family at this time and we will be in touch. May God be with you all.

Love Donald and Andrietta Dicks

Donald and Andrietta Dicks - October 20, 2013 at 04:24 PM

PL

“ *I am sorry to read about your loss. May God’s words in the Bible at Ps 34:18 provide you comfort. The scriptures tells us “HE” is near to those broken at heart, and those crushed in spirit HE saves.*

Peggy Land - October 20, 2013 at 10:14 AM

DM

“ To Roberts Family! Hello All It seems like it was yesterday, when I would come home during the Summers and Winter breaks. And I would see Uncle Herschel driving down N. Saginaw St. On his MTA Route. I recall becoming acquainted with you all at young age. Along my tenured in elementary school as well as being a member of The Boy Scouts Troup #247 with Uncle Herschel being scout master. Along with my grandfather as president. I recall we had a picnic/cook out. Uncle Herschel would grill his butt off! And the food was good! Along with Aunt Cathy Bake goods! for the bake sale we did in 2002-2003. I recall one time In 2009 While home working downtown for the summer he was driving me to my office location. He said how are you doing? Dijon how is your grandma and granddaddy. I said they are good, tell them I said Hello. My reply was I will do the same. Be sure to tell Aunt Cathy and Mike and Deajaun Hello. How is Lil' Herschel doing? He would say he's good. Aunt Cathy, Mike, Deajuan Lil' Herschel Stay Strong! Continue To Uplift one another, Continue To Walk In Faith & Ordained! Even though he is absent from the body. He is present with the Heavenly Father his spirit will continue to be immortal with you all. The Father has truly blessed you all. I will miss seeing Uncle Herschel when I am home during the summers and winters.

Love & Respectfully

Dijon L. Milow-Russell

Dijon Milow-Russell - October 19, 2013 at 10:24 PM

LC

“ *Kathy,
May The Lord give you comfort and peace that
passes all undersanding.*

*Prayers, and more prayers.
Loria Corder, Grace Emmanuel Baptist Church*



Loria Corder - October 18, 2013 at 09:38 PM

RA

“ *Dear Kathy
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your love one. I ran into
Hershall a week ago at Kroger, we were laughing about his honey-
do list that u had for him. We gave each other a hug and said good
bye, not knowing that would be my last time seeing him on earth.
You have our heartfelt sympathy. ReGina Adams & family*

Regina Adams - October 18, 2013 at 09:00 PM

KK

“ *Kathy Davis And Kalonna lit a candle in
memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts*



Kathy Davis and Kalonna - October 18, 2013 at 01:30 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of Mr. Herschel Roberts.*



October 18, 2013 at 11:10 AM

JC

“ Dear Roberts Family

I didn't know you personaly but I do know Charles and feel like I have grown to known the entire family. From the wonderful stories I have heard of Hershel he was a great family man. May the Lord comfort everyone and may you truly know that he is in a better place.

Love from Joyce & Joe Chylinski

Joyce M. Chylinski - October 18, 2013 at 11:09 AM

MK

“ Mary Kelly lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts



Mary Kelly - October 18, 2013 at 10:33 AM

MK

With deepest sympathy and love in the loss of a good friend and dear brother.

Mary Kelly - October 18, 2013 at 10:36 AM

HG

“ Herschel's family and my family ?The Walkers grew up together in the Warren St. neighborhood. He was a wonderful husband and father and will be sincerely missed. We offer our deepest sympathy to his family.

Deacon Henry C. and Gwendolyn Gaines

Henry C. and Gwen Gaines - October 18, 2013 at 08:09 AM

AH

“ Anthony And Carol Hill lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts



Anthony and Carol Hill - October 17, 2013 at 04:12 PM

MB

“ Melody B. Bondon-McGee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts



Melody B. Bondon-McGee - October 17, 2013 at 02:29 PM

CY

“ To Kathy and Roberts Family,

On behalf of the Powell family, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. We are praying for you during this difficult time. May the peace of God be with you and your family during this time of sorrow. The bible states, " To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord".

*God bless,
Carlene Powell-Youngblood
and Ruby Powell-Anderson and Family*

Carlene Powell Youngblood - October 17, 2013 at 01:46 PM

RO

“ *RON@SHERRYSHUMAN lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts*



RON@SHERRYSHUMAN - October 17, 2013 at 01:30 PM

JK

“ *Jesse Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts*



Jesse Kirksey - October 16, 2013 at 09:01 PM

MC

“ *To the family of the late Herschel Roberts i offer my deepest sympathies.may Gods grace@mercy watch over you@your family at this your darkest hour.*

marc callahan - October 16, 2013 at 08:57 PM

BW

“ *Bernadette Woods lit a candle in memory of Mr. Herschel Roberts*



Bernadette Woods - October 16, 2013 at 07:33 PM

BW

“ to the Roberts family I'am so sorry to hear of the passing of Herschel Roberts he will be missed but not forgotten will be praying for the family god will give you strength lean and depend on him to help you throught .

Bernadette Woods - October 16, 2013 at 07:33 PM

LI

“ Dear Roberts Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is tremendous, even with the passage of time. Thankfully, I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress according to Psalms 83:18, and Psalms 65:2. Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again, as promised at John 5:28.29 and Isaiah 25:8. My family and I wish you and yours peace.

Lisa - October 16, 2013 at 12:39 PM

PF

Dear Kathy and Sons-I write this with a very heavy heart. I feel like I have lost one of my dearest relatives. Hershel was the beast in every way-a father,husband,friend,and to me a parent of 2 of my favorite students.He has left us way to early,but we know he will always be near!! Pat Forcier

Pat Forcier - October 21, 2013 at 12:25 PM