



Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins

December 19, 1922 - September 3, 2016

HOPKINS, Rev. Dr.. J S - Age 93, passed away Saturday, September 3, 2016 at his residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, September 10, 2016 at St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, 3020 Dupont Street, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM Rev. Kevin Thompson Host Pastor, Rev. Dr. Henry L. Fuller, Jr. Eulogist. Interment Sunset Hills Association, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Saturday. Dr. Hopkins will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. Visitation will begin 12:00 NOON Friday, September 9, 2016 at St. Mark M.B. Church, with a memorial service at 6:00 PM.

Dr. J. S. Hopkins was born December 19, 1922, to Cleveland Hopkins and Etta Love in Flora, Mississippi. He attended Good Hope Elementary School. He accepted Christ as his personal savior on September 19, 1937. His first church home was Good Hope Missionary Baptist Church, under the leadership of the late G. J. Williams. In 1942, he was inducted into the United States Army and honorably discharged in 1946.

February 14, 1946, he was united in marriage with Miss Lureatha Outland. From this union he became the proud father of eight children. On July 21, 1946, they moved their membership to the Progress Baptist Church in Jackson, Mississippi. While there, he was crowned a deacon under the leadership of the late Reverend L. H. Newsome.

He came to Pontiac, Michigan in 1947, and began working for General Motors in 1948. He retired in 1978, after 30 years of dedicated service. He joined Liberty Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. S. M. Edwards.

He moved to Flint, Michigan, where along with his wife joined New Zion Missionary Baptist Church. While at New Zion, he served on the deacon board. In 1957, he moved his membership to True Light Missionary Baptist Church, where the late L. W. Owens was pastor, also serving on the deacon board. On August 10, 1958, Reverend J. S. Hopkins was licensed to preach the gospel. Within a year he became an ordained minister.

On May 9, 1960, he was called to pastor Temple Missionary Baptist Church. The name was later changed to St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church. Rev. Hopkins attended the United Theological Seminary Extension Center, Flint branch where he received his diploma.

Rev. J. S. Hopkins was the pastor of St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church for 52 years. His spiritual, civic and social responsibilities have included the following: President of The Baptist Ministers Fellowship Alliance of Flint; Member of the Great Lakes Association; Member of the Board of Directors, Greater Flint O. I. C., Chairman, Annual Awards Committee, Concerned Pastors for Social Action, Dedicated Chairman of the C. P. S. A. Courier Branch Member, The United Theological Seminary Extension Center-Flint; Founder of the Genesee County Christian Institute; Member of the Chaplaincy Advisory Council, Michigan Dept. of Corrections Advisor, Wolverine State Convention, and he received an Honorary Doctorate May 11, 1984, from the United Theological Seminary Extension. Under the leadership of Dr. Hopkins, St. Mark became a member of the Wolverine State Convention. His inspired vision and courageous leadership has immensely blessed the St. Mark Family.

Dr. J. S. Hopkins leaves to cherish sweet memories: daughters Elaine (George) Haywood, Arlinda and Hatty Hopkins; sister, Annie Callum, all of Flint; daughter-in-law, Noreen Hopkins, of McKinney, TX; seventeen grandchildren, Derrick Harris, Peoria, IL, Shanita Connor, Indianapolis, IN, Rev. Naylo (Dori) Hopkins of Wesley, PA, Damon, Diedra, and Deondra Hopkins of McKinney, TX. Sharita Harris, Fort Wayne, IN. Harry (Serena) Harris, Jr., LaWan, Sherice, and Sherria Harris, Ivory Edwards, Daniel and Shanique Hopkins, Emerald and Diamond Goodman and Chrishonda Starks, all of Flint; thirty seven great-grandchildren; eleven great-great-grandchildren; special friends, Deacon Henderson Cole, Lee Ross and Rev. and Sis. Lane.

Dr. Hopkins was preceded in death by loving wife of 46 years, Lureatha; children, Arlene, Essie, John, Dennis, and Lionel Hopkins; parents, Cleveland Hopkins and Etta Love; sisters, Everda Curtis, Christella Griffin, Lennie Thomas, Estella Bracy; brothers, James Thompson, Theodore Hopkins, and A.V. Hopkins.

The family would like to thank Lawrence E. Moon and Moon Funeral Home, Dr. Mendoza, Dr. Predetaneau and McLaren Hospice. Special Thanks to Pastor Kevin Thompson, Sr. and the St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Association

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church
3020 Dupont Street
Flint, MI 48504

Memorial Service

SEP 9. 6:00 PM (ET)

St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church
3020 Dupont Street
Flint, MI 48504

Family hour

SEP 10. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church
3020 Dupont Street
Flint, MI 48504

Service

SEP **10**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church
3020 Dupont Street
Flint, MI 48504

Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *He was an exceptional Pastor ...and he will be miss my deepest condolences...From Sis Earline Morgan*



Sis Earline Morgan - September 07, 2017 at 08:39 PM



“ *Leroy & Cleola Griffis lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Leroy & Cleola Griffis - September 10, 2016 at 03:17 PM



“ *Doris Moore-White lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Doris Moore-White - September 10, 2016 at 12:40 PM

MT

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TOO THE HOPKINS FAMILY:WIKLYOU HAVE MY SYMPATHY AND PRAYER AS .YOU "GRIEVE THE LOSS OF AGREAT MAN, WHO LOVE TO HELP PEOPLE. IF THERE IS ANY THING I CAN DO JUST GIVE ME A CALL. GOD BLESS YOU. "iN ALL YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AND HE WILL DIRECT YOUR PATH" PROV. 3:6 MARY HICKS-TIBBS

MARY HICKS TIBBS - September 09, 2016 at 07:15 PM

AF

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Ann (Mosley) Calbert & Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins.



Ann (Mosley) Calbert & Family - September 09, 2016 at 05:15 PM

TF

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The Belk Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



The Belk Family - September 09, 2016 at 05:09 PM

RN

“ A dear neighbor and friend will be greatly missed. He always work to help the community and family. He always kept a watchful eye on what was happening on our street. Rev love to go fishing and now he will be fishing with Jesus and we all know he is the best fisherman. Prayers and best wishes to the family.

Rachel Nordstrom

Rachel Nordstrom - September 09, 2016 at 09:59 AM

BG

“ We extend our sympathy and condolences for the loss of our Pawpaw. Our Pawpaw was a treasure of love for everyone. We are deeply saddened with the loss and extend all our love and support to our family during this difficult time.

*With deep sincere love,
Emerald and Diamond Hopkins*

Bettie Ann Goodman - September 09, 2016 at 06:10 AM

BG

“ Bettie Ann Goodman lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Bettie Ann Goodman - September 09, 2016 at 05:55 AM

BG

“ We extend our sympathy and condolences for the loss of our pawpaw. Pawpaw you were and will always be a treasure of love for everyone. We are deeply saddened with the loss and extend all our love and support for our family during this difficult time.
With deep sincere love,
Emerald and Diamond Hopkins

Bettie Ann Goodman - September 09, 2016 at 05:52 AM

EL

“ Elder Michael & Phyllis Leslie lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Elder Michael & Phyllis Leslie - September 09, 2016 at 12:04 AM

CA

“ We send our condolences from MS to the family of Rev. J. S. Hopkins and the St. Mark Church Family. We hope that our Lord brings you the much-needed peace during this sad time. Our condolences to you.

Aunt Pott Outland. (MS)
Charles & Carrie Adams'

Carrie Adams - September 08, 2016 at 10:06 PM

OM

“ My deepest condolences to the entire family. Every life has an impact on this world and Dr. Hopkins life impacted me and others in many ways. Continued prayer to the entire family. The McCray Family in Nashville, Tennessee.

Ophia McCray - September 08, 2016 at 06:47 PM

VS

“ *Veronica Simon lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Veronica Simon - September 08, 2016 at 11:13 AM

VS

“ *My sincere condolences to the Hopkins family*

Veronica Simon

Veronica Simon - September 08, 2016 at 11:12 AM

JC

“ *From James and Katrina Cobb (cobbs bait and tackle) we will always love you but we rejoice in knowing this, 2nd Timothy 4:7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith, 8. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day-and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.*

Rev we know you loved fishing but:

You lived by Matthew 4:19 and he said unto them (Jesus) follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

You were a great fisherman

Love always James and Katrina Cobb

james and katrina cobb - September 08, 2016 at 06:36 AM

KM

“ *Kelvin M. Mackey lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Kelvin M. Mackey - September 07, 2016 at 11:20 PM

MT

“ *Margo Thompson lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Margo Thompson - September 07, 2016 at 10:33 PM

MT

*We send our condolences from Illinois to the family of Rev. Hopkins and the St. Mark Family.
Mrs. Alice Thompson and the Thompson family of Illinois*

Margo Thompson - September 07, 2016 at 10:34 PM

LC

“ *Leonard Copeland purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins.*



Leonard Copeland - September 07, 2016 at 09:48 PM

LC

“ Leonard Copeland sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Leonard Copeland - September 07, 2016 at 09:05 PM

IH

“ Iris Hare lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Iris Hare - September 07, 2016 at 06:47 PM

DF

“ Dr. Carolyn D. Davis & The Steele Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Dr. Carolyn D. Davis & The Steele Family - September 07, 2016 at 05:51 PM

NJ

“ Norma Jones lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Norma Jones - September 07, 2016 at 02:35 PM

NJ

“ To the Hopkins family no words said can ease the pain on lost of your father, I know God can heal your broken heart. I pray that you stay strong in the Lord as you lay Rev Dr. Hopkins to rest.

Norma Jones - September 07, 2016 at 02:35 PM

CH

“ Calvin & Pamela Hightower lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Calvin & Pamela Hightower - September 07, 2016 at 11:27 AM

DF

“ Dr. Carolyn D. Davis & The Steele Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Dr. Carolyn D. Davis & The Steele Family - September 07, 2016 at 10:54 AM

DB

“ May God bless the Hopkins family during their time of sorrow . Death can be cause a difficult time for a family I would like to share a scripture that gives us hope for our loved one (Psalms:37 : 29) and Revelations: 21:4) May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived.



Daisy M Boone - September 07, 2016 at 10:01 AM

BA

“ *Bishop M.C & Geneva Akins lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Bishop M.C & Geneva Akins - September 07, 2016 at 09:45 AM

RC

“ *Robyn Cobbin-Hall lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Robyn Cobbin-Hall - September 07, 2016 at 06:35 AM

SH

“ *Sharita (Rita) Harris lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Sharita (Rita) Harris - September 06, 2016 at 11:12 PM

TF

“ *My sincere condolences to the Hopkins family. One thing for sure I know Dr Hopkins iso in the armsame of the Lord. He probably asking him "What took you so long"*

Teresa Frelix - September 06, 2016 at 07:50 PM

TS

“ *Trina Stewart lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Trina Stewart - September 06, 2016 at 07:27 PM

PR

“ *Pastor Terry Randolph lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Pastor Terry Randolph - September 06, 2016 at 06:22 PM

DT

“ *Debby Taylor lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Debby Taylor - September 06, 2016 at 04:52 PM

SH

“ *Shelia Hayman lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Shelia Hayman - September 06, 2016 at 02:59 PM

MT

“ So Sorry to hear of the passing of Rev. Hopkins. My sympathy to his family and the St. Mark family.
Margo Thompson and family



Margo Thompson - September 06, 2016 at 02:37 PM

DJ

“ May God comfort and bless your family during this time of great loss. Rev. Hopkins lived a long life and left a great legacy. He will be remembered for all the things that he did to help the Flint community. You have a lot to be proud of and thankful for.
Love you all much. Leo, Debra and Hunter Jennings



Debra Jennings - September 06, 2016 at 02:23 PM

EF

“ *Excelento Davis And Family lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Excelento Davis And Family - September 06, 2016 at 09:53 AM

BF

“ *Burns Family lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



Burns Family - September 06, 2016 at 08:53 AM

JC

“ Jeanette Brown, Antioch Church lit a candle
in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Jeanette Brown, Antioch Church - September 06, 2016 at 08:28 AM

KE

“ So sorry to hear of your loss



Keika - September 05, 2016 at 11:09 AM



“ Wanda Baker sent a virtual gift in memory of
Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Wanda Baker - September 05, 2016 at 09:05 AM



“ We are sad to hear of the passing of J S Hopkins. He was a inspiration to all who knew him. His friends at Duquette's Garage will miss the great presence he has had on the community. Our condolences go out to his family and loved ones. God Bless from your friends at Duquette's Garage.



Ron and Karen Duquette, Brian McMillin, Oscar Barry

Deborah Greenway-Duquette - September 04, 2016 at 09:20 AM



“ Loretta Cox lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Loretta Cox - September 04, 2016 at 06:04 AM



“ Sharon Mixon lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins



Sharon Mixon - September 04, 2016 at 02:37 AM

LE

“ *LINDA ENGLISH lit a candle in memory of
Rev. Dr. J S Hopkins*



LINDA ENGLISH - September 03, 2016 at 05:16 PM