



Mr. James E. Payton

July 30, 1940 - January 3, 2015

PAYTON, Mr. James E. - Age 74, passed away Saturday, January 3, 2015 at Genesys Convalescent Home. Family hour 10 a.m. Saturday, January 10, 2015 at Morningstar Missionary Baptist Church, 2120 N. Saginaw St., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Pastor Keith Bigelow officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Association, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10 a.m. Saturday. Mr. Payton will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Friday, with family present 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Mr. James Earl Payton was born on July 30, 1940 in Mason, Tennessee, the son of Henry and Ida Mae (Harris) Payton. He graduated from Fayette County Training School in 1958. He moved to Flint, Michigan in the early 60's, where he met and married Christine the love of his life. They were married for 47 years and had two children. He was employed by General Motors for over 30 years, he received several awards for Good Attendance and Quality Improvement. James was a faithful member of Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church, where he served on the Security Ministry and as a Laymen until his health failed. He was a member of Dailey/Dolan Block Club and participated in many activities including Neighborhood Patrols. James enjoyed playing solitaire, other card games and listening to his hometown radio station. He took great pride in spoiling his grandkids and attending their sporting events. James had a kind and giving heart, and often tried to be the

peacemaker of the family.

Mr. James Earl Payton leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Christine (Henderson) of Mt. Morris, MI; daughter, Tracy (Steven) Lester of Swartz Creek, MI; son, James Eric (Wanda) Payton of Laurel, MD; grandchildren, Deja, Diamond, Destinee, Drew, and Dominique Lester, all of Swartz Creek, MI and Demetra (Chris) Crawford of Laurel, MD; great-grandchildren, Jahlil, Jaylen, Journey, and Justin Crawford, all of Laurel, MD; sister, Willie Bea Payton of Somerville, TN; numerous nieces and nephews; 2 aunts, Virginia Woods of Iowa City, IA and Pearline Cunningham of Dewitt, AR; 2 uncles, Lonnie (Ernestine) Davis of Flint and U.S. Davis of Holly Grove, AR; 5 sisters-in-law; 5 brothers-in-law; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends Mack Gentry and James Luster.

Mr. Payton was preceded in death by: parents, Henry and Ida Mae (Harris) Payton, 4 brothers, Joseph, Harold, and William Payton and Fred Taylor.

The family would like to express special thanks to DaVita of Mt. Morris, MI, Dr. Tommy Stevens and staff and Dr. Hameem Changezi.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Association

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 9. 1:00 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 Present

JAN 9. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Family hour

JAN 10. 10:00 AM (ET)

Morningstar Missionary Baptist Church
4075 E. Atherton Rd.
Burton, MI 48519

Service

JAN 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James E. Payton*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *To the family of Mr. Payton, my heartfelt condolences, I hope this brief letter will be encouraging In the bible it mention that "there will be a resurrection" taken from (Acts.24:15) if only we could really think deep down about the words mention, the hope for our dead love ones how we will be able to see them once again. May the family have comfort and peace.*

Leonard - February 26, 2015 at 10:41 AM



“ *Love you cuzzin*

Alma Poindexter - January 22, 2015 at 08:52 AM



“ *Tracee' I love you and I am so sorry for your loss. I know you a daddy's girl. I am praying for you and your entire family.*

Tonia Payton

Tonia Payon - January 15, 2015 at 01:31 PM



“ *GOODBYE MY BEST COUSIN*

Le Vern Harris Sr - January 10, 2015 at 04:04 PM

SR

“ To the Payton family, I'm sorry to hear about the lost of your loved one may God comfort you and keep you through this time of bereavement. Your family is in our prayers. God bless!

Mary & Sonya Randle Family.

Sonya Randle - January 10, 2015 at 09:35 AM



TS

“ So sorry for your family's loss, God bless and keep you. From Trina Stewart

Trina Stewart - January 09, 2015 at 10:07 PM



TS

“ Trina Stewart lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton

Trina Stewart - January 09, 2015 at 10:03 PM



BF

“ Burinda and Ronald Lester and family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. James E. Payton.

Burinda and Ronald Lester and family - January 09, 2015 at 01:31 PM





“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. James E. Payton.*



January 09, 2015 at 09:55 AM



“ *Christine and Family,*

May cherished memories bring you moments of comfort during this difficult time. Praying that lasting peace surround your grieving heart.

*Our sincere condolences,
Leonne & Willie Mae Davis Family*



Willie Mae Davis - January 09, 2015 at 12:19 AM



“ *LaShona Clark lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



LaShona Clark - January 08, 2015 at 04:52 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and the entire family during this difficult time. May your heart find peace and comfort. God bless you. Your niece Stacy Henderson and family. Love you!*

Stacy Henderson - January 08, 2015 at 02:53 PM

RH

“ *The loss of someone dear to us is never easy, but may you take comfort in the fact that you're surrounded by people that love and care for you. I extend my deepest condolences to the entire family. James will be truly missed and may you take comfort knowing that you have an angel to watch over you now. May God embrace you and comfort you during this difficult time. Christine, Tracy, and Eric we love ya'll.*

Love your brother Ronald Henderson and family.

Ronald Henderson - January 08, 2015 at 02:07 PM



“ *This candle is lit in loving memory of my Uncle James. "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30. Aunt Cris, Eric, Tracee and all other Family members know that I love you and God does too. R.I.P. Uncle James.*



La'Sheba Taylor-Jones - January 07, 2015 at 08:37 PM

LP

“ *Latisha Payton lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



Latisha payton - January 07, 2015 at 07:07 PM

DA

“ Chris, Tracy, and Eric, wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts. I'm sorry that am unable to be with the family for James "Home Going celebration". He always treated me well as if I was his his most favorite member of our family.

David Jones

"While we are mourning the loss of our James, others are rejoicing to meet him in that great place."

David - January 07, 2015 at 04:48 PM



LH

“ Chris, Tracy and Eric. My family and I will keep each of you in our daily prayers. It has been a pleasure to know this wonderful man named James Payton. His beautiful smile and soft spoken words will continue to be near in our thoughts and in our hearts. Always gaze toward the sky and smile for the brightest star will be James smiling back at us. We Love You! Your brother Wally, sister-in-law Linda, great nephew, Ke'Arus and the Fluker family..

Linda Henderson - January 07, 2015 at 02:29 PM



RG

“ Renee Gentry lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton

Renee Gentry - January 07, 2015 at 02:17 PM



AJ

“ KEEPING YOU CLOSE IN CARING THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...AUNT CHRIS...ERIC AND TRACEE'....WE LOVE YOU ALL SO VERY MUCH..AS YOU GO THROUGH LIFE'S GREATEST SORROW THERE ARE SPECIAL MOMENTS AND MEMORIES THAT ARE YOURS ALONE, KNOW THAT WE DEEPLY CARE AND WE WILL CARRY YOU THROUGH THIS DIFFICULT TIME...AND REMINDING US HOW SPECIAL YOU ARE. I PRAY THAT GOD WILL COMFORT YOUR HEART, UPLIFT YOUR SPIRIT AND WALK WITH YOU TO A PLACE OF STRENGTH AND PEACE.~IN JESUS NAME~ AMEN. LOVE YOU....YOUR NIECE ANGELA..SISTER MERCEREE AND NEPHEW ANTHONY "TONY" JONES AND FAMILY.



ANGELA JONES - January 07, 2015 at 12:51 PM

TB

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers Aunt Chris, Tracy and Eric. My God comfort and keep you! Love your niece/cousin Tasha Price Blevins



tasha blevins - January 06, 2015 at 08:17 PM

RB

“ Roeshell Broadnax lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton



Roeshell Broadnax - January 06, 2015 at 07:53 PM

PI

“ *Patina Isabell lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



Patina Isabell - January 06, 2015 at 05:12 PM

CH

“ *Chesica Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



Chesica Harris - January 06, 2015 at 05:06 PM

AH

“ *Akisha Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



Akisha Harris - January 06, 2015 at 01:44 PM

EH

“ *ELAINE HARRIS-OLDS lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



ELAINE HARRIS-OLDS - January 06, 2015 at 12:39 PM

JF

“ Thinking of you in the time of your loss, with love in our hearts.
We love y'all, from your sister and her family..Joyce H. Flowers



Joyce Henderson Flowers - January 06, 2015 at 12:23 PM

TB

“ Tracie Brady/De Brady lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton



Tracie Brady/De Brady - January 06, 2015 at 11:42 AM

PP

“ We love you and is praying for you. May God continue to keep you in his care.

*With all our love, Pat Price and Family, Merceree Jones and Family. Wally Henderson and Family, Joyce and Larry Flowers and Family, Dwight Henderson and Family , Herman Henderson Jr and Family, Ronald Henderson and Family, Jerry Henderson and Family.
With all our Love. Pat Price sister*



Patricia Price - January 06, 2015 at 10:27 AM

SP

“ *SHERYL PAYTON lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



SHERYL PAYTON - January 06, 2015 at 09:56 AM

MK

“ *Micah Knox lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



micah knox - January 05, 2015 at 12:09 PM

JT

“ *Jennifer Taylor-Scott lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



Jennifer Taylor-Scott - January 05, 2015 at 10:28 AM

SS

“ *Sallie Savage lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



sallie savage - January 05, 2015 at 09:03 AM

SS

“ Sherrina Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton



Sherrina Smith - January 04, 2015 at 05:41 PM

MR

“ Mrs.Jordan lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton



Mrs.Jordan - January 04, 2015 at 04:04 PM

MC

“ Maudie Coley lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton



Maudie Coley - January 04, 2015 at 02:29 PM

DB

“ David & Dana Bush lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton



David & Dana Bush - January 03, 2015 at 08:49 PM

MB

“ *Melody Bondon-McGee lit a candle in memory of Mr. James E. Payton*



Melody Bondon-McGee - January 03, 2015 at 05:05 PM

SM

“ *Chris, Tracy and the entire Payton family I am lifting you all in prayer.*

Sharon Mixon - January 03, 2015 at 01:07 PM