



Joe McClure

December 16, 1933 - December 4, 2008

McCLURE, Deacon Joe Harold, Sr. - Age 74, passed away Thursday, December 4, 2008 at his residence. Family hour 11AM Saturday, December 13, 2008 at Joy Missionary Baptist Church, 670 E. Carpenter Rd., with funeral service commencing at 12Noon, Pastor James Searcy officiating. Interment River Rest Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11AM Saturday. Deacon McClure will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 2PM-8PM Friday. Deacon Joe Harold McClure, Sr., was born December 16, 1933 in Curtis, Arkansas, the son of Robert and Clara (Macon) McClure. Deacon McClure was a longtime resident of Flint, Michigan and a faithful and dedicated member of Joy Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership and guidance of Pastor James E. Searcy. He graduated in 1951 from Peake High School in Arkadelphia, AR. Deacon McClure was Honorably Discharged from the United States Army in 1957 and worked 42 years for General Motors V-8 Engine Plant Local #659, retiring in 1994. His hobbies were fishing barbequing, gardening, and spending time with his family. He was presented his official membership status into the Eureka Lodge No. 16 of Prince Hall Masons in April of 1974. Deacon McClure was loved and admired by many. He was the senior member of his siblings and a great storyteller at family gatherings. Deacon McClure always had a captive audience filled with laughter and joyous memories. He leaves to cherish his memory: beloved wife of 50 years, Ophia (Wills) McClure; 2 daughters, Toyia Wills-Collins and

Sabrina (Troy McIntyre) McClure; son, Joe Harold McClure, Jr.; 10 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; 3 sisters, Rosie (Booker) Norman of Little Rock, AR, Mattie (Paul) Bailey of Curtis, AR and June (Clarence) Lee of Savannah, GA; 4 brothers, James (JoAnn) McClure of Hot Springs, AR, Ferman (Ellie) McClure, Charles (Mary) McClure, all of Curtis, AR and Willie McClure of Flint, MI; numerous nieces and nephews; aunt, Mattie Lee McClure of Lansing, MI; 2 sisters-in-law, Zora Clarke of Flint, MI and Ruth McLeod of O'Fallon, MO; 2 brothers-in-law, Calvin Compton of Atlanta, GA and Landon Martin of Flint, MI; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Cornelius "Pee Wee" Williams, Fred Ross, Sr., Ricky Buggs, Sr., Kent Cuba and Pastor James E. Searcy. Deacon McClure was preceded in death by his parents; sister; brother; 3 sisters-in-law; and 3 brothers-in-law. The family would like to express special thanks to Dr. Perez, Pastor James E. Searcy and the Joy Missionary Baptist Church family.

Tribute Wall



“ Joe McClure

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ To the McClure Family,
I am so sorry to hear of your lost, may the LORD keep each and everyone of you in his arms.

Jasmin Johnson(Galloway) - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Mc Clure, There will never be a nicer or kinder, helpful neighbor as Mr Mc Clure. We have been friends for over twenty five years, and he was the same every time you saw him. I will miss him, a man of wisdom who was always ready to share with others. God has gain another soldier. His gain is our loss here on earth. I thank GOD for the time he loan him to us. REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND, YOU've earned it.

Daisy & Archie Primm - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY, I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE GOING THROUGH MY MOM PASSED THE SAME DAY,WE WERE BLESSED TO HAVE THEM IN OUR LIVES.THEY LIVED WITH US BUT THEY ARE AT HOME NOW. GOD BLESS YOU.

DEONDRE NASH AD MATOIA SMITH - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ I can honestly say that when I think of Uncle Joe I don't have any bad memories. It seems surreal to me that he has gone to be with the Lord. From as early as I can remember, Uncle Joe was always the comedian in the family, sharing a story about growing up in the country or making up one about a family member. Even though you knew he stretched the truth in his storytelling he was ever the entertainer, keeping us laughing every time he came to Arkansas. There are a lot of things that I will miss about Uncle Joe. Losing someone you love is never easy, but as a Christian I have the comfort in knowing that I will see him again. Our sole purpose in life is for God's glory. I believe that when Uncle Joe accepted Jesus as his personal Savior he lived his life in a manner pleasing unto God. Aunt Ophie, Toiya, Sabrina, and Jr., I love you guys. God created us and knows all about us, and he knew that it was time for Uncle Joe to take his rest.

Willica McClure - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Mrs.Ophie, Toiya and Sabrina

May God bless and strengthen you in your time of loss.

*Maria (Charleston) Lewis
(Gwen & Leon's daughter)*

Maria Lewis - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ Joe always had a smile on his face and he was always in good spirits even when he wasn't feeling well and was always dressed to the T. Joe will be missed by all of the staff at Dr Perez's office. We will continue to keep the family in our prayers.

Linda - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ I would like to extend my deepest sympathy and Christian love to the entire McClure family. I did not know Joe very well but he was a wonderful person as are all of the McClure family members. Continue to trust in God and know that Joe has gone on to a truly better place. May God bless and keep you all in his loving grace.

Shirley Cunningham Enemuoh - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Uncle Joe's presence will really be missed. No matter how he was feeling you were always greeted with a wide smile, comedy following shortly thereafter. I'm praying for the family. Just remember God is a good God, one who never makes a mistakes. Treasure the time and memories shared with your love one.

Syble Smith - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Man we wish You were here so we could give you a spit shine the top of you're head and smack you with one of them african soup bone we love you so much but we know you're gone to a better place.

*Gone but never forgotten.
Love Kenyetta, DeAndra (pooh), and Charvez*

Charvez McClure, DeAndra McClure, and Kenyetta McClure - December 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM