



Mrs. Josephine Lawrence

August 30, 1937 - May 28, 2026

LAWRENCE, Mrs. Josephine - Age 88, passed away Thursday, May 28, 2026 in Burton, MI. Family hour 1:30 PM Saturday, June 13, 2026, from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 2:00 PM. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 1:30 PM Saturday. Mrs. Lawrence will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed during the family hour only.

Mrs. Josephine Lawrence, of Burton, Michigan, was born on August 30, 1937, in Redell, Arkansas, to Minnie Belle Hampton and John "Pop Man" Fitzgerald. In 1950, while in Arkansas, Josephine met the man she said was "tall, dark, and handsome with pretty white teeth," Mr. Clark Lawrence Jr. They fell in love and were united in marriage on September 19, 1953. With three children in tow, they moved to Flint, Michigan, in the 1960s. Their union was blessed with two more children, making five children total.

Josephine briefly worked at a donut shop before pursuing the job she truly wanted at General Motors. She often shared that the unemployment worker said, "Give this woman a job. She calls me every day. She wants to work." That determination began her long-time employment with General Motors. Josephine said she had to work seven days straight for 90 days without missing or being late. Though exhausted, she was determined not to lose that job. After those 90 days she went to her doctor and told her to give her time

off because she's tired. She took her well-deserved break. Got back up and worked until she retired from Buick City as a Machine Operator in the 1990s. Josephine attended Heavenly Host FGBC under the leadership of the late Bishop M.C. Akins. She enjoyed gardening, reading, and watching television. Some of her favorite shows included The Young and the Restless, The Bold and the Beautiful, The Price Is Right, and Let's Make a Deal. In later years, she added S.W.A.T., The Rookie, and NCIS to her lineup. She also enjoyed music and would dance from time to time when her daughter Melinda turned on music and hyped her up.

Mrs. Josephine Lawrence leaves to cherish her memory: four children: Minnie B. Matthews of Flint, Michigan; Melinda Ampy (Marcus) of Burton, Michigan; Kenneth Lawrence (LeAnn) of Merced, California; and Chris Lawrence (Tanya) of Flint, Michigan.

Josephine also leaves her grandchildren: Raymond, Minna, Rondale, Rory, and Jasmine Matthews; Julius, Kiesha, Aquila, Elaisha, Malissa, Cory, Sarah, Charles Jr., and Marcus

Lawrence; Anita-Ashley Releford; Marcus Ampy Jr.; and Chris Lawrence (Randi); along with many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Josephine is also survived by her brother, Tonie Henry (Patricia) of Cramerton, North Carolina; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Mrs. Lawrence was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Clark Lawrence Jr.; her parents, John Fitzgerald and Minnie Belle Hampton; her grandmother, Queen E. Williams; son Charles Lawrence Sr.; her in-laws, Clark Lawrence Sr. and Carrie Scott; her sister, Queen E. Peterson; her brother, Evan Ray Scott; her granddaughter, Mageela Matthews; her great-grandson, Julius Lawrence; and a host of other family and friends.

Josephine will be remembered for her strength, determination, love for her family, and the beautiful legacy she leaves behind.

Previous Events

Family hour & viewing

JUN 13. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
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Funeral Service

JUN 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - June 13 at 08:43 AM

LM

“ *My deepest heartfelt condolences to the whole Lawrence family, my prayers for healing to you all!*



Leeann Matulich - June 13 at 06:55 PM

OG

“ *Ondria Gillespie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence*



Ondria Gillespie - June 12 at 11:38 AM

FF

“ From Rory and the Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence.



From Rory and the Family - June 12 at 02:05 AM

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“ From Rory and the Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence.

From Rory and the Family - June 12 at 02:05 AM

LR

“ Sending deepest condolences and prayers to the Lawrence family. I pray for God's grace and strength during this time. Sis. Lawrence was a true friend to my grandmother and so sweet to all who had the opportunity to meet her. Such a beautiful soul. May God continue to bless you and keep you all.



Laquetta Ross - June 09 at 07:33 AM

LA

“ Louis Ampy&Eller Ampy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence.



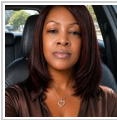
Louis Ampy&Eller Ampy - June 07 at 06:30 PM

TL

“ I am sending my heartfelt condolences to the entire Lawrence Family. Love you Lynn.



Theresa Lewis - June 05 at 05:25 PM



Thank you Love you

Melinda Ampy - June 12 at 02:11 PM

IL

“ Irene L Lewis sent a virtual gift in memory of Josephine Lawrence



Irene L Lewis - June 05 at 05:24 PM

MM

“ Mary McGee sent a virtual gift in memory of Josephine Lawrence



Mary McGee - June 05 at 08:28 AM

CR

“ To the entire Lawrence families all near and far, by blood or by spirit, and all acquaintances the Randolph family extend our deepest sentiments to you all during this time. The peace of God covers with peace where the words of men can not.



Carolyn Randolph-Witcher - June 03 at 06:08 PM

AA

“ ARIANA ASHBERRY sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence



ARIANA ASHBERRY - June 01 at 07:02 PM

SH

“ SHELIA HAYMAN sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence



SHELIA HAYMAN - June 01 at 07:01 PM

LH

“ LEE WILLIE HAYMAN sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence



LEE WILLIE HAYMAN - June 01 at 07:00 PM

YG

“ YAKIMA GIVENS sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence



YAKIMA GIVENS - June 01 at 06:59 PM

SL

“ SHENEA LEEPER sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence



SHENEA LEEPER - June 01 at 06:58 PM

AK

“ ANTHONY KOGER sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence



ANTHONY KOGER - June 01 at 06:58 PM

KL

Thank You Fud, You know what I am going thru, God Bless You and Yours

Kenneth Lawrence - June 11 at 02:01 AM

SH

“ *SHELIA HAYMAN sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Josephine Lawrence*



SHELIA HAYMAN - June 01 at 06:57 PM

TM

I have known Josephine a long time I'm a distant cousin through my husband I'll send my sympathies my prayers and love to her family may God bless and keep all of you Thelma Johnson

Thelma Johnson Family Member - June 02 at 07:03 PM

TM

Praying for the family

Thelma Johnson Family Member - June 04 at 03:31 AM