



Ms. Karnetta Thomas

July 17, 1961 - January 17, 2024

THOMAS, Ms. Karnetta - Age 62, passed away Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at Ascension Genesys, Grand Blanc. Family hour 11:00 AM Saturday, January 27, 2024 at Empowered Believers, 2101 Mill Rd., with funeral services commencing at 12:00 PM. Pastor Johnnie Brown, officiating. Interment Lovedale Memorial Cemetery, G-5175 E. Bristol Rd., Burton, Michigan. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11:00 AM Saturday. Ms. Thomas will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. There will be no public viewing. Dr. Karnetta "Connie" Thomas was born July 17, 1961, at Hurley Hospital in Flint, Michigan. She is the daughter of Eugene Sr. and Carrie Ann (Nabors) Thomas. She was a resident of Grand Blanc, Michigan. Connie's childhood began in the historic St. John Neighborhood: 3010 St. John St., and later 621 E. Myrtle Ave. Karnetta attended the Flint Public Schools: Dewey Elementary, Emerson Jr. High, and Northern High, "Class of 1979." Connie maintained high distinctions throughout high school and was a proud member of the Honor Society. She further pursued her education with a Bachelor Degree (Magna cum laude) at the University of Michigan. Connie continued her educational pursuits with a Master Degree at Central Michigan and a second master's at Baker College. She was called a "Professional Student", and she proved that by obtaining her Doctorate Degree in Psychology at Northcentral University. Connie retired after 31 years as a Substance Abuse Counselor. Connie's passions were basketball and music. She always boasted about

being one of the best point guards to come out of Flint. Connie was a lifelong keyboardist at church and a current musical contributor for “The Saved and Single Ministry”, founded by her niece, Tawana Houston-Dickey, where she played keyboard for her sister, Brenda. Through this on-line ministry, Connie played over the world to audiences in the United States; Canada; London, England; and Montego Bay, Jamaica.

Dr. Thomas was also an entrepreneur. In 2000, she founded The Fountain of Youth Boys & Girls Club where she served as Chief Executive Officer. This non-profit fed many homeless and needy people in the inner-city of Flint and served children with toy giveaways at Christmas. The Fountain of Youth gained national attention and was featured in The Whole Truth Magazine. She and her niece, Tawana, were interviewed and featured on Flint’s WJRT-TV ABC Channel 12 for the Fountain’s philanthropic accomplishments. In 2002, she launched her own recording studio, Vehicle City Records. It was her life-long dream to help Flint’s up and coming local artists by providing opportunities for them to record music. Connie went on to write and produce her first documentary of everyday Flint citizens living in the inner-city titled, Meet the Flintstones (2004). She taught piano to many children throughout the city of Flint for over 25 years.

Dr. Karnetta “Connie” Thomas leaves to cherish her memory: Six siblings, Geraldine (Nathaniel) Lewis of Sterling Heights, MI; Terry (Bridget) Thomas of Grand Blanc, MI; Melvin Thomas of Flint; Gary (Daphne) Thomas of Burton, MI; Brenda Thomas of Grand Blanc, MI; and Rhonda Thomas of Memphis, TN, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and her heartbeat, great-niece, Nevaeh Houston.

Connie was preceded in death by her parents, Eugene Sr. and Carrie Thomas; brother, Eugene Jr; sister, Margaret Houston; niece, Alicia Thomas Williams; nephew, Terry Thomas II; and brother, Algie Thomas.

Cemetery Details

Lovedale Memorial Cemetery

G-5175 E. Bristol Rd.
Burton, MI

Previous Events

Family hour

JAN 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Empowered Believers
2101 Mill Rd.
Flint, MI 48532

Funeral Service

JAN 27. 12:00 PM (ET)

Empowered Believers
2101 Mill Rd.
Flint, MI 48532

Tribute Wall



“ Sending my love and belated condolences and prayers to your family. May God comfort and strengthen you in moments of sorrow. I pray that you will feel His love when you think of her in the arms of our Savior in Jesus name amen



Michele Buckler - February 02, 2024 at 01:22 PM

SL

“ Sending my deepest condolences to one of the kindest and most humble piano and organ teachers in the flint area. “Connie” would always meet you with kind words and a smile and was a role model for female musicianship as a little girl for me. She was ahead of her time musically and always offering her gift serving as a teacher to many of us who started playing in church during our childhood. Thank you big sister Connie for the many times you taught me to hear God through sound by embracing my gift for music. Continued prayers for her sister Sis. Brenda & the family. Sarita Latchison

Sarita Latchison - January 29, 2024 at 06:22 PM

SP

“ Shonta Price lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas



Shonta Price - January 27, 2024 at 01:36 PM

KB

“ Katherine Hart Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas



Katherine Hart Brown - January 27, 2024 at 01:14 PM

RB

“ I was deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Karnetta (Connie). So many memories began to flood my mind of the time we shared together at Holy Hill C.O.G.I.C. The Thomas family, you have my deepest sympathy for your loss. She is absent from her body and enjoying the presence of the Lord with Mother Thomas and others that went before her.
Robert & Dena Brooks

Robert Brooks - January 27, 2024 at 12:09 AM

CG

“ Memories of worshipping at various church and working together at Carriage Town Ministries.



Carolyn/George Grundy - January 26, 2024 at 09:41 AM

CG

“ Carolyn/George Grundy lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas



Carolyn/George Grundy - January 26, 2024 at 09:38 AM

CG

“ Carolyn/George Grundy lit a candle in memory of Karnetta Thomas



Carolyn/George Grundy - January 26, 2024 at 09:30 AM

SE

“ I wish to extend my sincere sympathy to the entire Thomas Family & Friends.

Rest in God's arms my dear classmate 🌹



Shirley Edwards-Jackson - January 25, 2024 at 12:05 PM

LI

“ Sis. Karnetta will be truly missed. Love the Grundy & Wells family

Linda - January 24, 2024 at 02:42 PM

LM

“ Sending prayers and condolences to the entire Thomas Family sorry for your loss 🙏
Linda Mayfield



Linda Mayfield - January 24, 2024 at 12:14 PM



“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Karnetta. Connie, so well known by me/others at Holy Hill COGIC. Thomas family, you have my sincere condolences and are in my thoughts and prayers. May GOD comfort and give you peace. Kattie (Johnson) Monroe

Kattie Monroe - January 23, 2024 at 06:06 PM



“ Sending our Condolences to the family of Karnetta (Connie) Thomas we are praying for all of you that God comfort each of during this sad time.

From David & Rose Latchison

Rose Latchison - January 22, 2024 at 03:52 PM



“ Phillip Luckado lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas



Phillip Luckado - January 22, 2024 at 12:19 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear of the passing of Karnetta. She was indeed a friend. She was in my wedding and always was a joy to be around when we worked together. May she rest in peace. Sending her family my sympathy and prayers. Be encouraged.

Cecilia Alicia Miller-Sims - January 22, 2024 at 08:48 AM

PJ

“ *Phinesia Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Phinesia Jones - January 21, 2024 at 09:30 PM

VS

“ *Valarie Shepard lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Valarie Shepard - January 21, 2024 at 08:43 PM

CM

“ *My condolences to the Thomas family and friends may God give you all strength 🙏🙏🙏*

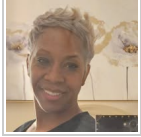


Charlotte McCoy - January 21, 2024 at 02:33 PM

DF

“ *My classmate from Dewey, Emerson God Bless the family.*

David Fulton - January 21, 2024 at 11:50 AM



“ *Bridget Thomas lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Bridget Thomas - January 21, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ *Sincere condolences to the entire Thomas and Lewis families. Praying for your strength and comfort from the family of Late Pastor Herman and Mother Charlie Mae Strong, Holy Ghost COGIC.*



Carol Gardner - January 21, 2024 at 11:18 AM



“ *Jamie Holt lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Jamie Holt - January 20, 2024 at 09:48 PM



“ *Marlene Veal lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Marlene Veal - January 20, 2024 at 07:34 PM

JT

“ *Jesse Thompson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Jesse Thompson - January 20, 2024 at 12:16 PM

CA

“ *Carolyn O. Allen lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Carolyn O. Allen - January 20, 2024 at 11:52 AM

GB

“ *My deepest condolence to the Thomas Family hearing of the passing of a friendship with Connie since forever the laughs the talks of Christ the Church fellowship will always be my remembrance of her praying that God will give you strength and comfort in this time of your love one gone Home to be with the Lord love you all God bless each of you truly is my prayer hold on to God's unchanging Hand...*



Gloria Blacksure - January 20, 2024 at 12:27 AM

TR

“ *Love and peace to the families.
Al and Teresa Ridgway*



Teresa Ridgway - January 19, 2024 at 10:22 PM

TG

“ *Tresia Givens lit a candle in memory of Ms.
Karnetta Thomas*



Tresia Givens - January 19, 2024 at 04:58 PM

TC

“ *With deepest condolences to the Thomas
family. I went to Dewey Elementary and
Emerson Jr. High School with Karnetta
(Connie). She was a dear friend and will be
missed.*



Thelma Hudson Coley - January 19, 2024 at 02:57 PM

HB

“ *Homer Bond lit a candle in memory of Ms.
Karnetta Thomas*



Homer Bond - January 19, 2024 at 12:42 PM

GF

“ Love u Connie thanks for everything could make those instruments talk when she played them going to miss u so so much



Gail brydson- thomas (Family) - January 19, 2024 at 12:22 AM

GF

“ My first Cuzin my Heart is so Broken Prayers for my family and my condolences



Gail brydson- thomas (Family) - January 19, 2024 at 12:19 AM

SI

“ Sonya D Ivory lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas



Sonya D Ivory - January 18, 2024 at 06:54 PM

TA

“ Teresa Anthony sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas



Teresa Anthony - January 18, 2024 at 03:09 PM

TA

“ *Teresa Anthony lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Teresa Anthony - January 18, 2024 at 03:05 PM

TA

“ *Greeting of heart felt sympathy, I'm sending my love and prayers, up for the entire family of Karnetta(Connie)..we attended, Emerson Intermediate, Emerson Jr. High and, Flint Northern High School C/O 1979!! The entire C/O1979 F.N.H.S.,*



Have been working hard, with hopes of finding our classmates. We are all saddened to hear of the passing of our, fellow classmates! May you, Connie's family find comfort in knowing, that God will be your comfort, strength and give you, His peace and understanding. Rest, peacefully in heaven our..beloved classmate, Connie. Respectfully, Teresa Anthony and the entire, Class of 1979/ F.N.H.S., class & committee of our 45th Class Reunion, 2024 ❤️ ☐



Teresa Anthony - January 18, 2024 at 03:04 PM

RL

“ *Ray And Denise Luarck lit a candle in memory of Ms. Karnetta Thomas*



Ray and Denise Luarck - January 18, 2024 at 02:03 PM

LH

My condolences to the Thomas family , we were neighbors on myrtle st in 1960's , so many great memories from our childhood , she was very smart and did very well in life !! Viking fo life , dewey ,emerson , and Northern c/o 1977 my God Bless this family always and forever ,,Larry Hill

Larry Hill - January 19, 2024 at 10:36 AM

HB

Sending my condolences to the Thomas family 🙏🙏🙏

Homer Bond - January 19, 2024 at 11:19 AM

LG

*Our deepest sympathies and condolences to Britany, Terry Thomas & family. ❤️❤️🙏🙏
Fred & Linda Gaddis & family*

Linda Gaddis - January 26, 2024 at 08:46 PM