



Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper

November 7, 1928 - April 2, 2021

HARPER, Mrs. Katie Leugenia - Age 92, passed away Friday, April 2, 2021 at her residence. Private funeral service will be held Saturday, April 10, 2021 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. Rev. Doug Banks, officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Chapel 4:30 PM Saturday. Mrs. Harper will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM Friday.

A Time to Be Born, While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease Genesis 8:22.

Katie L. Harper (Kate) was born in Flint, MI, November 7, 1928, she was the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. (Gladys Blassingame) Ellis. Her protector and friend, was her older brother Walter J. Ellis.

A Time to Die, He made the moon to mark the seasons; the sun knows its time for setting Psalm 104:19, Our family matriarch earned her wings on April 2, 2021 at the age of 92. In her final years, she always said "I didn't think I would live this long". A Time to Plant, For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater Isaiah 55:10, Katie accepted Christ at a young age and was baptized. She was a graduate of Flint Northern High School, "A Mighty Mighty Viking" and worked for 30 years for AC Spark Plug/ Delphi, a Division of GM. She was the first African

American Woman to be a finalist for "Miss AC Contest." Katie was a member of UAW Local 651. She was an active member of Vernon Chapel A.M.E Church where she served on the Cook Missionary Society, the Food Bank, Kitchen Committee, Quilting Club, The Wacky Women's Birthday Club. Past activities include, Charter Member of the Greater Flint Optimist Club, a Girl Scout Leader for many years and she enjoyed golfing, bowling, loved sports and was a "great debater" of most any subject, especially politics. Katie raised five children, Karlene Wells, James Harper of Flint, MI; Ambus (Stephanie) Harper of Washington DC; Douglas (Jannifer) Harper of Farmersville, Texas. She embraced a step daughter Sandra Jones of Chicago, Illinois. A Time to Pluck up that Which is Planted, And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up Galatians 6:9, "Grandmother" was a fierce competitor and she loved to play board games with her grandchildren and great- grandchildren. She even golfed a little bit with some of them!, Katie was a loving grandmother to Rhonda Wells- Wilbon of Columbia, Maryland; Anthony Wilbon of Bowie, Maryland; Lester (Kristen) F. Wells Jr. of Lompoc, California; Kimberly (Henry) Hall of Troy, Michigan; Ambia (Carlos) Glaster of Washington, DC; Alaina Harper of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Adam (Colleen) Harper, Brandon Harper, and Ashley Harper all of New York City; Nicole (Cassius) Johnson of Dallas , Texas; Mark Harper II of Dallas, Texas; Stephen Harper of Arlington, Texas; Tracey Davison, Kelvin Skelton, Kim Saunders and Damone (Nikki) Harper all of Flint MI; Erik (Diedra) Jones of Seattle, Washington. Katie was a fun and supportive great-grandmother to Justin Hall of Atlanta, Georgia; Jaleise Hall of Troy, Michigan; Azaan Wilbon of Houston, Texas; Jabari Wilbon of Eastern Shore, Maryland; and Kyissa Lindsey of Lompoc, California. Austin Knight Harper of New York City. Katie had one nephew, Darian (Annetta) Ellis; one niece, Patsy (Horace) Strozier; one great-nephew, Lane (Aurdra) Ellis, and 3 great-Nieces, Michelle (Orza) Robertson, Eboni (CJ) James and Shonda Strozier. A Time to Weep. A Time to Laugh, A Time to Mourn, A Time to Dance, For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you

a future and a hope Jeremiah 29:11. Katie also leaves to cherish her memory special cousins; Leroy (Mary) Blassingame, Duane (Diane) Miller, and Marva Hodge; a host of cousins, dear friends, her neighbor of 49 years, Shirley Iski and her Vernon Chapel Church family. Katie was preceded in death by her parents; brother Walter Ellis; nephew Walter "Lane" Ellis; son-in-law, Lester F. Wells Sr, daughter-in-law, Geraldine Harper; Sister-in-laws Isabella Ellis and Luna Downing; and special cousin Dorthy Ferguson.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Viewing

APR 9. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
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Flint, MI 48505
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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - April 10, 2021 at 08:31 AM

ES

Doug I am so sorry for your loss,my friend.and my sincere condolences to you and your family.Mark.is awesome!

Eugene Ross st. - April 11, 2021 at 06:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM

WO

“ *Wendy Overton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Wendy Overton - May 12, 2021 at 06:07 AM

JK

“ We can't find words to express our sorrow over the death of your beloved mother, Katie. She was a kind, caring, strong woman and a phenomenal mother.

Katie was as good a mother as God makes -

Her life will forever cast a loving glow on all of us who knew her.

Stay strong -- you are close in our thoughts and prayers.

James and Joyce Kilgore, Washington, D.C.

James A Kilgore - April 10, 2021 at 11:56 PM

CG

“ Our deepest heartfelt sympathy goes to the family of a queen. I can close my eyes and see her sitting on the 2nd pew from the back in front of Karlene at BWell. She'll truly be missed with her greeting you with a smile that could light up darkness. Rest in peace. You've earned your wings.

Cheryl and Douglas Gibbs - April 10, 2021 at 08:10 PM

UI

“ Thanks for the opportunity to virtually experience a deeply moving tribute to cousin Katie. For sure, she was loved as much as she, herself, loved. Ulysses Kilgore III, grandson of Sally Blassingame. Brooklyn, NY.

Ulysses Kilgore III - April 10, 2021 at 06:59 PM

RC

“ *What a beautiful service for Mrs. Harper! Deepest condolences to Ambus and the entire extended Harper family.*

Ric and Rae Lynn Carr, Southfield MI

Rae Carr - April 10, 2021 at 06:51 PM

TS

“ *My condolences to you family on the loss of your family matriarch. I love you all and am praying for you all.*

Toni Crawford Sylvester

Atlanta, Ga.

toni crawford sylvester - April 10, 2021 at 05:16 PM



SB

“ *Samie Blasingame lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Samie Blasingame - April 10, 2021 at 05:15 PM

TS

“ *Toni Crawford Sylvester lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



toni crawford sylvester - April 10, 2021 at 05:13 PM

AM

“ I will miss our matriarch, our love and our fire. She will forever guide our family.

Love Audra

Audra Miller - April 10, 2021 at 05:05 PM

TS

“ My sincere condolences. I love you family and I am praying for you at this difficult time.

Toni Crawford Sylvester



toni crawford sylvester - April 10, 2021 at 05:03 PM

NF

“ Nikole Fleming lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Nikole Fleming - April 10, 2021 at 05:01 PM

LC

“ Laura Blassingame Canty lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Laura Blassingame Canty - April 10, 2021 at 04:50 PM

CT

“ Sincere condolences to the family on the loss of your dear mother.

Coletta N. Thomas - April 10, 2021 at 04:45 PM

WS

“ We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs. Katie Harper, our church member and friend. Her warm and engaging spirit will be missed.

We pray God's blessings on her legacy and family.

Woodrow Stanley - April 10, 2021 at 12:09 PM

CY

“ To Family of Mrs. Katie Harper
My sincere condolences to Mark and his family. My prayers are with you during this time of loss.

Sincerely,

Carlene Powell-Youngblood and the entire Powell Family

Carlene Youngblood - April 10, 2021 at 10:35 AM

TA

“ REST IN PEACE, BELOVED "QUEEN"



Teresa Anthony - April 10, 2021 at 10:11 AM

TF

“ *The English Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



The English family - April 09, 2021 at 11:08 PM

RB

“ *Ron & Nancy Blasingame lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Ron & Nancy Blasingame - April 09, 2021 at 09:55 PM

MB

“ *Marcia, Dana And Dale Blassingame lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Marcia, Dana and Dale Blassingame - April 09, 2021 at 09:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper.*



April 09, 2021 at 08:41 PM

MS

“ *There are no words to express our concerns or feelings. We will keep you in our prayers. Knowing the Lord will meet your every need. God Bless.*

Benny & Mae Vern Spence

April Harris

Katina Woods & Monty Jr.

Marietta Ga.



Mae V. Spence - April 09, 2021 at 07:38 PM

TJ

“ *The Blassingame Family of New York & New Jersey purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper.*



The Blassingame Family of New York & New Jersey - April 09, 2021 at 04:33 PM

LG

“ *Lueida Grady lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Lueida Grady - April 09, 2021 at 03:44 PM

SI

“ To the Katie Harper family,
Katie was my friend and neighbor for over 45 years. Words cannot express how much I will miss her. We were always there for each other. We had some good talks. She raised a beautiful and wonderful family. Katie always talked about how proud she was of each and every one of them. What a wonderful lady you have for a mother! Katie was a beautiful and great lady. Whenever she went to church on Sunday she always looked amazing. She sure knew how to dress. I am proud to call her my friend. I am going to miss you so much Katie. Goodbye for now my friend.



Love Shirley Iski

Shirley Iski - April 09, 2021 at 10:59 AM

VC

“ Van & Merdice Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Van & Merdice Coleman - April 09, 2021 at 04:48 AM

VC

“ Van & Merdice Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Van & Merdice Coleman - April 08, 2021 at 09:11 PM

SC

“ I've known Mrs. Harper all my life and she was as Beautiful outside as she was Beautiful inside. She stood tall. She was wise and she stood firm in what she stood for. Class all the way. She also was a fine example of a Christian and as an Elder in my life. Rest On in Glory Mrs. Harper. To her Family, I look you one and all.

Scott - April 08, 2021 at 04:21 PM

RB

“ Rose Bard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Rose Bard - April 08, 2021 at 01:56 PM

GG

“ My deepest condolences to Douglas and the Harper family. When we were classmates your mother was so kind to us. She was a lovely woman.

Gwendolyn Walker Gaines - April 08, 2021 at 10:57 AM

ML

“ Maggie L. Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Maggie L. Williams - April 08, 2021 at 08:44 AM

ML

“ *Maggie L. Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Maggie L. Williams - April 08, 2021 at 08:41 AM

TF

“ *Sending our love and deepest sympathy in remembrance of Mrs. Katie Harper. We hope that all of the loving memories of Mrs. Harper bring you peace, comfort, and strength during this difficult time. With our most sincere condolences, we are keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.*

*With love,
The Amos Family*

The Amos Family - April 07, 2021 at 08:50 PM

TF

“ *The Amos Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper.*



The Amos Family - April 07, 2021 at 08:48 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper.*



April 07, 2021 at 04:07 PM



“ *Karlene and family Words may not suffice to express the heartfelt sorrow that we feel for the passing of your loving mother, but please accept our condolences and we will be sure to include her in our thoughts. I remember spending an election day with her. We were passing out literature for different candidates, but her wit and energy that day made the experience a pleasant memory. We're sending you love and prayer.*



Reginald and Jacqueline Turner Banks and family

JT Banks - April 07, 2021 at 04:02 PM



“ *Lynn Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Lynn Barbee - April 07, 2021 at 12:42 PM

LM

“ *Laronus Martin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Laronus Martin - April 07, 2021 at 08:26 AM



“ *Pandoretta Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Pandoretta Jackson - April 07, 2021 at 07:41 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper.*



April 07, 2021 at 07:11 AM

RJ

“ *Roxann Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Roxann Jenkins - April 07, 2021 at 06:57 AM

DS

“ Dorothy Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Dorothy Simmons - April 06, 2021 at 08:27 PM

RD

“ Lit a camdle for Ms Katie L. Harper, my condolences to the Harper family



Rudolph Wheaton DDS,MPA - April 06, 2021 at 08:05 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper.



April 06, 2021 at 07:46 PM

MD

“ Monica Drake lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Monica drake - April 06, 2021 at 07:27 PM

LE

“ Lane Ellis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Lane Ellis - April 06, 2021 at 07:22 PM

LE

“ I love you Aunt Kate, God Bless You!

Lane Ellis - April 06, 2021 at 07:22 PM

FG

“ Fredricka “Ricky” Gist lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Fredricka “Ricky” Gist - April 06, 2021 at 03:37 PM

LI

“ Lisa(Riggs)Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Lisa(Riggs)Johnson - April 06, 2021 at 02:38 PM

JC

“ *My Condolences and prayers to the Harper family. I went to school with Ambus and his mother was my Girl Scott Leader; truly a wonderful and inspirational woman.*



Jacqueline (Johnson) Crowder - April 06, 2021 at 01:01 PM

LR

“ *Loretha Roberts lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Loretha Roberts - April 06, 2021 at 11:21 AM

CP

“ *So deeply sadden to hear of the passing of my dear sister in Christ Mrs. Katie Harper. (bka) my rider,i picked up Mrs.Harper as the van driver for Sunday school and church .I will truly miss her,and to the family and all of the loves ones that love her my condolences, the storm is passing over,but our God got this.Until we meet again my friend,may God be with you..*



COREY PIERCE - April 05, 2021 at 11:48 PM

CF

“ Constance L. Dansby and Family purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper.



Constance L. Dansby and Family - April 05, 2021 at 09:05 PM

JD

“ Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Jean Durrett - April 05, 2021 at 05:49 PM

LB

“ Leroy And Mary Blassingame lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Leroy and Mary Blassingame - April 05, 2021 at 04:44 PM

J(

“ James & Sharon Owensby (Arizona) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



James & Sharon Owensby (Arizona) - April 05, 2021 at 02:05 PM

LM

“ *Linda Mance lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Linda Mance - April 05, 2021 at 08:54 AM

DQ

“ *Dea. Bill & Ruthy Quarles sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Dea. Bill & Ruthy Quarles - April 05, 2021 at 07:53 AM

LS

“ *Larry Williams Sr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Larry Williams Sr - April 04, 2021 at 11:10 PM

DJ

“ *My condolences to Ambus and Doug. We grew up together in the Oak Park area. Mrs. Harper was my Girl Scout leader at one time. Beautiful family. My God give the family strength during this difficult time.*

*Deborah Johnson & Family
Shreveport, LA*



Deborah Johnson - April 04, 2021 at 07:52 PM

PJ

“ *Pauline Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Pauline Jones - April 04, 2021 at 07:51 PM

NJ

“ *Norphlet Reeves Jr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Norphlet Reeves jr - April 04, 2021 at 11:16 AM

SW

“ *Sheila Wells lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper*



Sheila Wells - April 04, 2021 at 10:50 AM

SB

“ *Karlene, Ambus, Mark, James, and all the family grandchildren. Sorry for the loss of Katie a lot of beautiful memories never to be forgotten. Always think of her and miss her praying for and with the family.*



Shirley Blassingame - April 03, 2021 at 09:02 PM

LR

“ *May Your Loved One Rest In Eternal Peace*



Lorene Randall - April 03, 2021 at 05:17 PM

LB

“ *I will always remember you as a woman that was stunning, gracious, a beautiful soul! May the angels welcome you to heaven! Rest In Peace cousin Kate!*

LaWanda Blassingame - April 03, 2021 at 12:26 PM

LE

To my family my heart goes out to all of you, God Bless Rest In Peace Aunt Kate!

Lane Ellis - April 05, 2021 at 06:52 PM

DS

“ Dorothy Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Dorothy Simmons - April 03, 2021 at 10:19 AM

RW

“ Rudy And Geneva Ward lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Rudy and Geneva Ward - April 03, 2021 at 09:55 AM

KC

“ Kermit & Genell Crain-Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie Leugenia Harper



Kermit & Genell Crain-Reeves - April 02, 2021 at 06:29 PM

GJ

“ *Gloria Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Katie Leugenia Harper*



Gloria Jenkins - April 02, 2021 at 03:55 PM