



## Larry Foster

June 29, 1941 - June 10, 2007

FOSTER, Mr. Larry Earl - Age 65, passed away Sunday, June 10, 2007 at Brian's House. Family hour 10AM Saturday, June 16, 2007 at New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church, G-1035 E. Carpenter Rd., with funeral service commencing at 11AM. Pastor Latrelle Holmes officiating, Bishop Odis A. Floyd, Host Pastor. Interment Gracelawn Community Cemetery, G-5710 N. Saginaw St. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11AM Saturday. Mr. Foster will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12Noon-8PM Friday. Family will receive family and friends from 6PM-8PM. Mr. Foster was born on June 29, 1941 in Shannon, Mississippi, Lee County, the son of the late Phillip and Earlene Foster. He is a graduate of Mississippi Industrial College, where he acquired a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1963. He soon moved to Flint and was drafted into the United States Army on February 10, 1964 and Honorably Discharged on February 9, 1966 after a tour in Vietnam. He returned to Flint, where he would live the remainder of his life. He was an active member of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. Foster married Deborah Ann Wells on March 24, 1967, they would remain wed for more than 40 years. It was during that same year that he began a career as a Genesee County Probate Officer that lasted four years, until 1971 where he began work for the Genesee County Model Cities Program. After a one-year stay at Model Cities, he was appointed Director of the Detroit Street Senior Citizens Center in 1972. In 1977 Mr. Foster began his involvement in local politics by

becoming elected to the Beecher Board of Education. By approaching both roles with honesty and integrity, he began to build an important presence in his community as a tireless advocate for all of its' citizens, young and old. After a 15-year tenure as DSSC Director, he served in the same role as the Hasselbring Senior Citizens Center Director; after on year his career serving the elderly would end, leaving him to focus his efforts with the Beecher Board. In 1992 Mr. Foster would become the first Africa-American elected to the position of Township Supervisor in Genesee County History. Due to conflict of interest, he sadly resigned from the Beecher Board in 1992, ending 15 years of devoted service to the youth of the Beecher Community in that capacity. Mr. Foster was scheduled to retire from the Township Office on June 30, 2007 before he fell ill and our Lord called him to Heaven. During Mr. Foster's decades of civil service he was bestowed with numerous awards and honors and the respect, love and admiration of thousands. Mr. Larry E. Foster is survived by his wife, Deborah of Mt. Morris Township; daughters, Phyllis Monique Caples, Secola Lyn Edwards, and Idreaka Lynn McEwen; 2 sons-in-law, Victor McEwen and Roderick Caples; 6 grandchildren, Phillip Ryan Caples, Monique Raquel Caples, Taylor Sierra Lyn Edwards, Dixon V. Edwards, IV, Dylan Jacoby Foster, and Victor McEwen, II; 4 sisters-in-law, Patsy (Taylor) Foster, Dora (Wells) Taylor, Juanita (Ross) Wells, and Elizabeth (O'Neil) Wells; 4 brothers-in-law, Maurice, Lionel, and Leandres Wells, and Amos Taylor; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Larry Foster*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Larry will be missed, you and your family are in my prayers. God Bless*

**Teresa Redds RN** - June 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *R.I.P Larry*

*We gonna miss you*

**Delano** - June 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will truly miss you and I will cherish each and every moment we worked together.*

**Kathy Watkins** - June 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ To the Foster Family, Words will never express our feelings with regard to this tragic loss we all share with you. I was one of the volunteers who campaign with him for the township supervisor. After he was elected, he never heard of a need that his people had that he did not help to get the problem solve. We all could count on Larry. I later became a Board member of the Zoning committee, His leadership rubbed off on the commnity to get involve, to make a better place for us to live. He worked very hard for the youth a brighter future. He never forgot the Seniors. WE WILL ALL MISS HIM. OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY, WE KNOW THAT GOD WILL SEE YOU THROUGH.

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**Margaret Montgomery** - June 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ I think my first e-mail didn't go through. If so, PLEASE disregard. My family and I offer our heartfelt condolences on the loss of a wonderful person who truly cared about our district. I first met Mr. Foster years ago when he was running for township supervisor. My late husband and him had always had a positive camaraderie, i.e., talking about the best way to care for their lawns (:, to political issues city, county and statewide. Years back I served as our neighborhood block club secretary and had visitors such as Vera Rison in our home during our meetings. We all wanted the best for our neighbors. I will remember Mr. Foster as a "go-getter," never tiring. But our Lord had other plans. Again, please take care, and remember as a neighbor, I am located right around the corner and am an phone/e-mail away. May God Bless.

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**barbara I. brown** - June 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM