



Pastor Leon Riley

January 1, 1929 - April 26, 2020

RILEY, Pastor Leon - Age 91, passed away Sunday, April 26, 2020 at his residence. Pastor Riley will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed Tuesday, May 5, 2020 from 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI.

Rev. Leon Riley was born January 1, 1929 in Waycross, Georgia. Leon was employed as a Maintenance Engineer for the Flint School System. He was a man of God and loved to laugh. Leon served in the United States Army and once owned and operated a restaurant and car wash. Rev. Riley served as Pastor of New Testament Church in Flint. He enjoyed cooking and helping people.

Rev. Leon Riley leaves to cherish his memory: wife of 30 years, Sharon McDonald Riley; 5 children, Mark Ingram, Shanutae' Riley-LeGardye, both of Michigan, Anthony Riley of Illinois, Clem Riley of Washington and Leonze Riley Love of Florida; 3 step-children, Shawnda Gipson of Texas, Sonja Jackman of Georgia and Sharron Manager of Georgia; 14 grandchildren, Xzerious LeGardye, Briana LeGardye, DeAndre Searcy II, Mark Ingram II, Miya Ingram, Mia Ingram, Malia Ingram, Antonio Riley of California, LaThresseea Bedford of Illinois, Quacey Riley of Illinois, Shalako Hudson, Abrianna Saunders of Florida, Issac Saunders of Illinois and LaMya Love of Texas; 17 great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends including special friend, Derwin Riley of Florida.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAY 5. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
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Tribute Wall



“ *Pastor Leon Riley*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Sabrina Lang Brown lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley*



Sabrina Lang Brown - May 17, 2020 at 10:21 PM



“ *Sorry to hear the passing of Rev Riley. I remember going to their house to visit Mark and he would just stare and smile. On the other side I met his beautiful wife Sharon they would come in the credit union he would not say much then. Ms Sharon I pray that you stay safe and keep being blessed.*

Patricia Walker(woodley) - May 16, 2020 at 09:52 AM



“ *Rodney & Sheila Graham lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley*



Rodney & Sheila Graham - May 09, 2020 at 09:37 AM



“ R.I.H REV RILEY.. HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN YEARS.. BUT KNOWING YOU HAS GAVE ME GREAT MEMORIES.. I'LL NEVER FORGET YOU.. 😭🙏 PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY'S STRENGTH.. 🙏

Marzel Marshall - May 07, 2020 at 09:37 PM



“ Rest in peace Uncle Leon
My uncle was a sweet and generous man. He was loved by many. My prayers go out to Sharon, Shauntae, Mark and the entire Riley family.

Love & Blessings,
David & Pam Johnson



Pamela Johnson - May 06, 2020 at 02:48 PM



“ RIP Rev Riley



LaToya Bonner - May 06, 2020 at 01:24 PM



“ Yvonne Tidwell sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Yvonne Tidwell - May 06, 2020 at 12:35 PM

MH

“ *Maxine Hill lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley*



Maxine Hill - May 06, 2020 at 06:22 AM

HB

Pastor Leon Riley was a great man of God,I remember him from Cook School where we both work years ago.always willing to help.my Sincere Condolences.and prayers to his family.he will be missed.

Helen Bradley - May 06, 2020 at 10:12 AM

PJ

*Rest in peace Uncle Leon
My uncle was a sweet and generous man. He was loved by many. My prayers go out to Sharon, Shauntae, Mark and the entire Riley family.*

*Love & Blessings,
David & Pam Johnson*

Pamela Johnson - May 06, 2020 at 02:41 PM

DJ

“ *Rev Riley was a great man, shared a lot of knowledge that should have been common sense.*

He could BBQ! He was a giving man. He had a laugh that would make everyone else smile!

But the biggest thing for me about Rev Riley, he baptized me!

David Johnson - May 05, 2020 at 08:47 PM

WJ

“ *Pastor Riley was a man of great faith and integrity. He shared a compassionate heart with all he met and spread hope and love. He will be missed.*

*Wendy Johnson
Neighbor and Friend*

Wendy Johnson - May 05, 2020 at 07:26 PM

RB

“ *My condolences to the family. Thanks for all the great memories .*



Roschel Baldwin - May 05, 2020 at 09:56 AM

IG

“ *Ira Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley*



Ira Gilbert - May 05, 2020 at 08:16 AM

PL

“ *My deepest sympathy and condolences to the family and love one of Pastor Riley.Pastor Riley was a great soul,I preached my first semon under Pastor Riley.I met him when he organized New Testament Church,i set under hum for a few years.Well done my friend well done.*

Pastor Clarence and Rhonda Lee - May 04, 2020 at 11:10 PM

TR

“ Rest well Pastor Riley..Sending prayers of peace and comfort to your family... -Kessa Roberson



Turkessa Roberson - May 04, 2020 at 10:42 PM

JA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. I pray God will comfort you in the way that only He can.



jackie Anderson - May 04, 2020 at 10:39 PM

DB

“ Delores Briggs lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Delores Briggs - May 04, 2020 at 07:22 PM

DB

“ You will be surely missed Pastor Riley I just remember those handshakes you had the strongest handshakes I ever known and you always will call me Lolo sometime Lulu would love and miss you forever and prayers for her sister Riley and the family of Reverend Riley we the Johnson family the Wellington family in the Briggs family send condolence to the family love you guys rest in peace pastor

Delores Briggs - May 04, 2020 at 07:17 PM

WH

“ We are very sorry to learn of the passing of our dear Friend and Neighbor, Rev. Leon Riley. Our sincerest condolences go out to his Wife Sharon and Family. We want to Thank him and his family for his Service to our Country. We also want to offer appreciation for his longtime service at Cook School. Many many Students remember his kindness.

The Members of the Metawanenee Hills Neighborhood Association

William Hammond - May 04, 2020 at 06:55 PM

WH

“ Our Condolences to the entire Riley Family. Pastor Riley was a neighbor and Piano customer and was a wonderful and caring person. We shall miss him greatly. Bill & Mary Lorah-Hammond.

William Hammond - May 04, 2020 at 06:10 PM

TF

“ Rest in Peace Reverend Riley. Love the Tippins Family



Tippins Family - May 04, 2020 at 05:57 PM

VS

“ Victoria Spottsville lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Victoria Spottsville - May 04, 2020 at 04:54 PM

RD

“ Always will be in my Spirit..gone but not never forgotten

Reba Douglas - May 04, 2020 at 02:34 PM

MS

“ To the family of Rev.Riley and friends.Never will forget our conversations and his smile.A soldier gone home.We send our sincere condolences.Praying for your comfort and strength during this time.

Benny & Mae Vern Spence
April Harris
Katina Woods & Monty Jr.

Marietta Ga

Mae Vern Spence - May 02, 2020 at 03:12 PM



TT

“ I will forever remember the hugs Rev Riley gave. When you got a hug. You got an embrace that let you know it was from his heart. My prayers are with Sister Sharon Riley and the family of Rev Riley.

Tonie J Thomas - May 02, 2020 at 03:06 PM





“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pastor Leon Riley.*



May 02, 2020 at 11:01 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Our Dear Reverend Riley, he will be sorely missed as he was such a joy to have known and loved. We will forever remember our many laughs and moments of conversation.*

Connie Edwards-Rogers and family (Erika, Tara, Angel and Lance)

connie Rogers - May 01, 2020 at 09:20 PM



“ *Gene Rutledge and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Pastor Leon Riley.*



Gene Rutledge and family - May 01, 2020 at 05:23 PM



“ *Karla Hollins lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley*



Karla Hollins - May 01, 2020 at 03:12 PM

GJ

“ Prayers for Shante and the Family'



Gloria Jenkins - May 01, 2020 at 10:26 AM

JW

“ Joann Whitfield lit a candle in memory of
Pastor Leon Riley



Joann Whitfield - May 01, 2020 at 08:14 AM

Y“

“ Yvonnica “E” lit a candle in memory of Pastor
Leon Riley



Yvonnica “E” - May 01, 2020 at 12:26 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family
of Pastor Leon Riley.



April 30, 2020 at 08:17 PM

RB

“ *Ruby Gipson Blade lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley*



Ruby Gipson Blade - April 30, 2020 at 08:09 PM



“ *Lula Lewis lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley*



Lula Lewis - April 30, 2020 at 06:49 PM

KF

“ *Sending my condolences to the Riley family, Rev. Riley will truly be missed, I thank God for allowing my family to be apart of New Testament family, I have so many great memories with them that I will carry in my heart, I can now say the three musketeers are together again, give my grandma and Deacon Feimster a hug for me.....Love you Rev, as you would say to us Bop Bop Bop God is good all the time....*



Keella Dukes and the Dukes Family - April 30, 2020 at 06:25 PM

RR

“ My sincere condolences to you Shauntae and the family. Be Blessed and much love💕💕



Rachelle Ruffin - April 30, 2020 at 06:04 PM

TM

“ Only dad I ever had he kept me in line love him so much

Tamika McKnight - April 30, 2020 at 05:41 PM



“ You will always be in my heart Pastor. Safe was the ninety and nine in the fold. One sheep is missing. Condolences and prayers to all of the family. Sending hugs and love to Sister Sharon for strength and peace. I love you. I will never forget the spirit filled sermons and praise filled services. Love always, Robbin Davis, The Woods Family and The New Testament Church



Ra Davis - April 30, 2020 at 05:24 PM

GG

“ Gloria Garland lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Gloria Garland - April 30, 2020 at 04:47 PM

AL

“ Our deepest condolences to all the family and friends, may you find comfort, endurance and peace during this time of sorrow. 1 Peter 5:7, 1 Thessalonians 5:17 Albert&Darlene

Albert&Darlene - April 30, 2020 at 04:27 PM

DJ

“ Delois Jackson lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Delois Jackson - April 30, 2020 at 04:04 PM

CD

“ Cawanna Dukes lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Cawanna Dukes - April 30, 2020 at 03:38 PM

JD

“ Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Jean Durrett - April 30, 2020 at 02:30 PM

JD

“ Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Jean Durrett - April 30, 2020 at 02:05 PM

RH

“ Robyn Cobbin- Hall sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Robyn Cobbin- Hall - April 30, 2020 at 12:46 PM

AH

“ Andrea Hollins lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Andrea Hollins - April 30, 2020 at 12:01 PM

DF

“ Dennis and Rochelle Ware and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Pastor Leon Riley.



Dennis and Rochelle Ware and Family - April 30, 2020 at 10:14 AM

YB

“ We love you Pastor Sharon. Our hearts ached when we heard of the passing of Pastor Leon Riley. He was a loving, treasured friend to Johnnie W. Feimster and family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Pastor Sharon Riley and family. May God give you strength and comfort during this difficult time.

Pastor Frank and Yvonne (Feimster) Gilliard

Yvonne Bowe-Gilliard - April 29, 2020 at 07:41 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Pastor Leon Riley.



April 29, 2020 at 05:20 PM

MA

“ Pray strength for you Shante and your family & Sharon 🙏💕 Margaret Campbell



margaret - April 29, 2020 at 06:26 AM

KM

“ Kelvin M. Mackey lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Kelvin M. Mackey - April 29, 2020 at 04:12 AM

PJ

“ I absolutely loved visiting the Rileys. Rev. Riley’s smile lit up a room, and he just loved singing hymns and praising God. I am blessed for the opportunity to have met him, and ministered to him in his final months. My thoughts and prayers are with Sharon and the family.

Patty Jarvis - April 28, 2020 at 01:45 PM

JK

“ Jesse Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Jesse Kirksey - April 28, 2020 at 12:54 PM

FC

“ RIH Uncle Rev. RILEY.



Felicia Chandler - April 28, 2020 at 12:21 PM

WC

“ Welton Carolyn lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley



Welton Carolyn - April 27, 2020 at 08:09 PM



“ MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO SHARON AND THE ENTIRE RILEY FAMILY. PASTOR RILEY, YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER, CALL YOU HOME TO CONTINUE YOUR REST PEACE BE WITH YOU.



Johanna Houston - April 27, 2020 at 04:20 PM

DP

“ *Pastor Riley you fought the good fight of faith now you finished your course Deacon Dewayne Payton*

Dewayne Payton - April 27, 2020 at 02:40 PM

BL

“ *Barbara Lakes lit a candle in memory of Pastor Leon Riley*



Barbara Lakes - April 27, 2020 at 01:36 PM