



## Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden

July 23, 1926 - January 4, 2023

HOLDEN, Mother. Mamie - Age 96, passed away Wednesday, January 4, 2022, at her residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, January 14, 2023, at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, G-5443 N. Saginaw St., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM, Pastor Samuel Berry III, Host Pastor, Pastor Alfred Harris Sr., Officiating. Interment River Rest Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Church 10:00 AM Saturday, January 14, 2023. Mrs. Holden will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12:00 PM-6:00 PM Friday, with family present from 4:00 PM-6:00 PM to receive friends. Mother Mamie Lee "Aunt Ray" Holden transitioned to receive her crown in glory on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 surrounded by family.

Mother Holden was born July 23, 1926 in Atlanta, Georgia. She surrendered her life to Christ at an early age of 12. Mamie moved to Wayne, Michigan where she met her future husband, William E. Holden on September 19, 1945.

Mamie and William were married in Toledo, Ohio and from this union 7 children were born. There are 5 children currently living. Mamie's family consists of a total of 5 generations, she was the Matriarch of the family. Mamie loved planning the family reunion and always attended. Mamie and William moved to Flint, Michigan where she obtained employment with McLaren-Flint for 23 years. She retired in 1978. Mamie was a faithful member

of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church of Flint for over 60 years. She served on the Nurses Guild for 10 plus years, working on the Kitchen Committee for over 20 years, serving on the Missionary Board for 4 years and serving on the Usher Board for over 30 years. Mamie attended Sunday School faithfully every Sunday.

Mother Holden was known in the neighborhood by feeling the needy and always helped out the bereavement in the community and church. She was well known for being the "Cake Lady" and she was known for her delicious mouth watering fried pies. Mamie was one who made her presence known with a sound as precious as a rare jewel just waiting to be found.

Mother Holden was truly living a most blessed life. She loved reading the Bible and always quoting Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me."

Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden leaves to cherish her memory: husband of 77 years, William E. Holden Sr.; 2 daughters, Annetta (John Carter) Cooper and Sylvia Holden, all of Flint; 3 sons, William (Carol) Holden Jr. of Swartz Creek, MI, Calvin Holden of Sterling Heights, MI and Michael Holden of Grand Blanc, MI; 10 grandchildren, Michele Cooper, Shiaretha Holden, Sherie Clark, Darrell Holden, all of Flint, CeAnna (Jabbar) Gragg of Savannah, GA, Monica Clark of Mt. Morris, MI, Mamie Seigle of Kennesaw, GA, Johnny Holden of Columbus, OH, Michael Holden II of Grand Blanc, MI and Raquel (Al) Findlay of South Bend, IN; 32 great-grandchildren; 35 great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces and nephews including special nephew, William Clark Sr.; 10 cousins including special cousins, Brenda (Clark) Tidwell of Clinton Twp., MI; brother-in-law, Alonzo (Gwen) Holden of Brinkley, AR; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Bessie Stewart (best friend), Rose Langley, Ola Allison, Edna Stone and Lena Armstrong.

Mother Holden was preceded in death by her 2 children, Linda Holden and Melvin Clark; 4 grandchildren; parents, James and Mamie Clark; grandparents, sisters and brothers.

The family of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden would like to express special

thanks to Pastor Samuel Berry and Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church family, Pastor Alfred Harris and Saints of God Church family, Minister Joe Gaines, Pastor Jessie D. McIntosh of King Solomon MBC, Heart-to-Heart Hospice, Nurse Chelsie, Stepanie and Niki, Dr. Paul (Theresa) Musson, the Lyles family and Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and staff.

# Cemetery Details

## River Rest Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JAN 13. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Inc., Flint  
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.  
Flint, MI 48505  
(810) 789-6666  
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com  
<https://lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

## Family Present

JAN 13. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Family hour

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JAN 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church  
G-5443 N. Saginaw Street  
Flint, MI 48505

## Service

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JAN 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church  
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# Tribute Wall

LR

“ Met Ms.Mamie, through one of her dear friends who’s now deceased Dorothy Mayberry, and was saddened to just now hear of her passing. I wish I had of known, but she touched so many lives it’s definitely impossible for the family to know everyone. Her talents in the kitchen were renowned, I use to stop by at least one Sunday a month after church to check on her and Mr. William but had to stop because my children always wanted a cake and she wouldn’t say no. But I did annually send them a Christmas card, including this past year not knowing she was gone. My heart is saddened and I pray for the entire family.  
Gone but definitely not forgotten.  
Lavonda Rimmer and family

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**Lavonda Rimmer** - May 02, 2024 at 12:00 AM



“ Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden

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October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM

TB

“ Tommie Beverly(Johnson) lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



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**Tommie Beverly(Johnson)** - January 16, 2023 at 07:32 PM

BT

“ *Beatrice Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden*



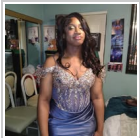
Beatrice Taylor - January 14, 2023 at 06:00 PM



“ *Frances Palmer lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden*



Frances Palmer - January 14, 2023 at 04:45 PM



“ *Frances Palmer sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden*



Frances Palmer - January 14, 2023 at 04:45 PM

JT

“ *Janice Tooson lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden*



Janice Tooson - January 14, 2023 at 07:23 AM

MA

“ *Melinda Mosley Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden*



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**Melinda Mosley Anderson** - January 13, 2023 at 09:06 PM

TF

“ *Thessalonia Bell And Family lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden*



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**Thessalonia Bell and family** - January 13, 2023 at 07:39 PM

DP

“ *Sending love, thoughts and prayers to my family during this difficult time. Those we love can never be more than a thought away; for as long as there's a memory, they live on in our hearts. · Wishing you strength for today and hope for tomorrow. Family May you look to the heavens with a smile on your face and know that you have an Angel watching over you. Love Necie - Arkansas*

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**Denice Pitts** - January 13, 2023 at 03:53 PM

DP

“ *Denice Pitts lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden*



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**Denice Pitts** - January 13, 2023 at 03:52 PM

AG

“ Alvin Gayden lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



Alvin Gayden - January 12, 2023 at 09:55 PM

LM

“ Mr. Holden & Family; Wishing you the strength to face the days ahead and wonderful memories to cherish forever.



Laquisha Massey

Laquisha Massey - January 12, 2023 at 08:46 PM

JS

“ Sending Healing Prayers And Condolences To The Family. Love Joan & William Stevenson. Evans Georgia. 🙏🙏

Joan Burrell- Stevenson - January 12, 2023 at 06:10 PM

JS

“ Joan Stevenson lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



Joan Burrell- Stevenson - January 12, 2023 at 06:08 PM

HF

“ *Herman, Karen & Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden.*



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**Herman, Karen & Family** - January 12, 2023 at 04:08 PM

TF

“ *Our deepest condolences to the Holden family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*



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**The Warren Family** - January 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden.*



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January 11, 2023 at 07:12 PM

GR

“ I didn't know Mrs. Holden personally and she didn't know me. But Michael is My Forever Friend. And when my Dad passed away several years ago, Michael came to the family hour with a delicious red velvet cake that he said his mother wanted our family to have. I thought Wow! What a kind and special lady; to take the time and to go out of her way to bestow this wonderful gesture. I will always remember Mrs. Holden's act of love and compassion. It meant a lot.



*Michael, Calvin and Family, I'm praying that sweet memories of your Beloved Mother and God's Love will comfort and sustain you until you meet again.*

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**Gwendolyn Rosborough-Goodrum** - January 11, 2023 at 01:42 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden.



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January 11, 2023 at 12:11 PM

SS

“ Sallie Savage sent a virtual gift in memory of Mamie Holden



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**Sallie Savage** - January 11, 2023 at 11:05 AM

JM

“ Jeannie Mayberry lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden



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**Jeannie Mayberry** - January 11, 2023 at 10:15 AM

JA

“ Sincere condolences to Michael and the entire Holden family.  
Janice Brown



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**Janice Adams** - January 10, 2023 at 01:52 PM

PR

“ Pastor Terry Randolph and the Gethsemane MBC would like to extend our sincere condolences to the family, may God comfort each of you during this transitional period.

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**Pastor Randolph** - January 10, 2023 at 12:40 PM

MW

“ Mary & Diane Williams lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden



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**Mary & Diane Williams** - January 10, 2023 at 11:37 AM

EP

“ Evelyn Pitts sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden



Evelyn Pitts - January 10, 2023 at 11:26 AM

SM

“ Sharon Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



Sharon Mixon - January 10, 2023 at 01:24 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden.



January 09, 2023 at 08:13 PM

ML

“ Maurice Lever lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden



Maurice Lever - January 09, 2023 at 01:37 PM

PR

“ To the Holden Family:

*I was sorry to hear about the passing of your loved one. Death is liken to a thief that comes and takes away our love ones. Or due to old age and sickness we lose that precious quality of life that leads to death.*

*However, have you ever asked: Is death the end of it all? Or is there something else after death? The bible clears up any question we might have about death. It also shows that there is a real hope for persons who have faith.*

*Yours truly,  
Patricia*



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**Patricia A Rison** - January 09, 2023 at 11:42 AM

CB

“ To the entire family of Mother Holden, my condolences you're in my prayers and thoughts.

*Colette Brown*



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**Colette Brown** - January 09, 2023 at 09:59 AM

GD

“ Greg Cynthia Davis lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



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**Greg & Cynthia Davis** - January 09, 2023 at 08:57 AM

AJ

“ Andrew Gayden lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



Andrew L Gayden Jr - January 09, 2023 at 08:34 AM

LP

“ We will always remember her great fried apple pies but mostly her kind generous spirit



Lou and Dee Perry - January 08, 2023 at 08:33 PM

FT

“ Fra Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



Fra Thomas - January 08, 2023 at 04:25 PM

JK

“ Jesse Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



Jesse Kirksey - January 08, 2023 at 12:36 AM

GA

“ Gloria Acker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mamie Holden



Gloria Acker - January 07, 2023 at 09:37 PM

MC

“ Maurice Deborah Collins lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



Maurice & Deborah Collins - January 07, 2023 at 07:57 PM

PM

“ Patricia Moore lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden



Patricia Moore - January 07, 2023 at 04:35 PM

MV

“ Melvin And Penny Vickers lit a candle in memory of Mother Mamie "Aunt Ray" Holden



Melvin and Penny Vickers - January 07, 2023 at 12:18 PM

MD

“ *Michelle Doby lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



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**Michelle Doby** - January 07, 2023 at 10:30 AM

MP

“ *Melinda Pitts lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



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**Melinda Pitts** - January 07, 2023 at 10:07 AM

DQ

“ *Deacon R. Quarles lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



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**Deacon Bill R. Quarles** - January 07, 2023 at 09:36 AM

JT

“ *Judy Tisdale-Moore lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



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**Judy Tisdale-Moore** - January 07, 2023 at 02:50 AM

DC

“ *Dayna Clemons lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



Dayna Clemons - January 06, 2023 at 08:20 PM



“ *Jimmye Maxwell lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



Jimmye Maxwell - January 06, 2023 at 07:07 PM

LJ

“ *LaNiece Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



LaNiece Jackson - January 06, 2023 at 01:52 PM

FM

“ *Farrow Malone lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



Farrow Malone - January 06, 2023 at 11:17 AM

JM

“ *Jerdine Malone lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



Jerdine Malone - January 06, 2023 at 11:16 AM

BS

“ *What a blessing to have known this beautiful woman of God. So soft spoken, loving and kind, a gentle spirit with a heart of gold. I send my condolences and prayers to Mr. Holden, her children, grandchildren, the entire Holden family and all that knew and loved her. May God provide his comfort and strength.*

Benita Smith - January 06, 2023 at 08:05 AM

GT

“ *Geraldine Turner lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



Geraldine Harper Turner - January 06, 2023 at 07:18 AM

CB

“ *Carolyn Buckley lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



Carolyn Buckley - January 05, 2023 at 11:35 PM

GP

“ *Gloria Pascal lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



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**Gloria Pascal** - January 05, 2023 at 08:17 PM

CG

“ *Carol Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



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**Carol Gardner** - January 05, 2023 at 06:20 PM

RJ

“ *Roseann Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs Holden*



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**Roseann Jones** - January 05, 2023 at 06:02 PM

DP

“ *Praying for the entire family*



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**Dorothy Parrish** - January 05, 2023 at 03:47 PM

LN

“ *Lottie Hairston Mount Airy, N.C lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



**Lottie J Hairston Mount Airy, N.C** - January 05, 2023 at 10:48 AM

OC

“ *ORA CARTER lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



**ORA CARTER** - January 05, 2023 at 10:34 AM

AG

“ *Alvin Gayden lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



**Alvin Gayden** - January 05, 2023 at 09:08 AM

KS

“ *KAY STEWART sent a virtual gift in memory of Mamie Holden*



**KAY DOT STEWART** - January 05, 2023 at 02:59 AM

KS

“ *KAY STEWART lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



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**KAY DOT STEWART** - January 05, 2023 at 02:56 AM

KF

“ *What a wealth of memories surrounding this soft-spoken Queen during my high school years with Linda.  
You make sure Linda could cook though!!  
Linda had to prepare one of the dishes' for you guys dinner while you were at work, before she and I could head out on our evening rendezvous!  
You earned your crown in Glory!  
RIP Mrs Holden ❤️*



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**Karen Stallings Felder** - January 05, 2023 at 12:36 AM

TS

“ *Trina Stewart lit a candle in memory of Mamie Holden*



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**Trina Renee Stewart** - January 04, 2023 at 08:44 PM