



Mr. Marshall Rice

June 11, 1945 - August 8, 2023

RICE, Mr. Marshall - Age 78, passed away Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at Serene Gardens, Grand Bland, MI. Family hour 10:30 AM Saturday, August 19, 2023 at St. Peter CME Church, 771 E. Pierson Rd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM, Rev. Llewelyn Jones, officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30 AM Saturday. Mr. Rice will lie in state in the chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. Public viewing will take place during family hour only. Marshall Rice was born June 11, 1945 in Chicago Illinois, the son of Willie and Jerlene Rice. With his parents, he later moved to Helena Arkansas. Marshall graduated from Lakeview High School in 1964. After graduation, Marshall moved to Riverside California where he worked at Kaiser Steel Mill. In 1967, Marshall relocated to Flint Michigan. Marshall worked for General Motors Buick City Skill Trades. Marshall retired from Buick City in 2007 after 37 years of service. Marshall also attended Mott Community College in Flint Michigan where he obtained his Associates degree. Throughout this time, Marshall continued to enjoy life fishing, deer hunting and enjoying his grandchildren. In 1991, Marshall was placed in the Michigan Big Game Records for his white tail deer hunting score. Up until Marshall became ill, he was a faithful, loyal, and dedicated member of Saint Peter Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. Marshall held the positions as the Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday School Teacher, and President of the Trustee board for 40 years. Marshall was very efficient in every role he

held. He was faithful in his tithes and offerings. A true dedicated member. Along with all the roles and hobbies, Marshall volunteered at Merrill Elementary School in Flint Michigan where he assisted wherever he was needed; in the lunch room, in the classroom, as well as financially to assist any children in need. Marshall was offered a paid position with the school however he refused to accept any payments but insisted on continuing to help. Marshall later agreed to accept the paid position for his services only if the paycheck would go in a special fund that was later named the Marshall Rice fund. As he would receive the paychecks he would immediately sign the paycheck back over to the school. The funds were used to purchase a school washer and dryer, clothes, coats, hats, gloves, scarves, shoes, and hygiene products for any children in need. He was named Volunteer of the Year in 1999 and Parent of the Month in 2001.

Marshall Rice leaves to cherish his memory: Daughters, Marcetta (Lorenzo Jr.) Wood of Grand Blanc Michigan; Yolanda Mays of Minneapolis Minnesota; Grandchildren, Dione (Famata) Moore of Clarksburg, Maryland, Kaiana Wood of Flint Michigan, Tony Wells-Johnson of Flint Michigan, Otis Mays of Minnesota, Jessica Mays of Minnesota; Lorenzo Wood III of Flint Michigan; Great-Grandchildren; Tiffany and Makenzie Moore of Rockville Maryland; Jaylah Pickens of Flint Michigan. Nine sisters: Earletha (Oscar II) Morgan of Southfield Michigan; Dorothy Jean Davis of Little Rock Arkansas; Rosemary Dorrough of Burton, Michigan; Pauline Moore of Inglewood, California; Louise Hathorn of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Carol Mosby of Inglewood California; Willene (Thomas) Wright of Marvell Arkansas; Rita Rice of Poplar Grove Arkansas; Kathryn Rice of West Helena Arkansas. Six brothers: Melvin (Rhonda) Howse of Milwaukee Wisconsin; Denisho (Pearl) Howse of Sherwood Arkansas; Bennie Howse of Little Rock Arkansas; Norman (Dolly) Howse of Chicago Illinois; Leonard Rice of San Antonio Texas; Duane (Darlene) Rice of Kalamazoo Michigan. A host of nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins and other relatives and friends including his DEDICATED, LOYAL FRIEND Thelma Jenkins.

Marshall was preceded in death by: Parents; Willie and Jerlene Rice; Stepmother: Betty Ann Rice; Daughter: Charnessa Johnson; Grandson; Jonathan Moore; Brothers: Ervin, Elmer, and Walter Rice; Sister: Gladys Rice; Best Friends: George Cleveland and Arthur Marks.

The family would like to express special thanks to St. Peter Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, Serene Gardens of Grand Blanc Memory Care Unit, Absolute Hospice of Grand Blanc, the host of great and dedicated in home caregivers, and his special caregiver and sparring partner Linda Burns.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Family hour & viewing

AUG 19. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. James & St. Peter C.M.E. Church
771 E. Pierson Rd.
Flint, MI 48505

Funeral Service

AUG 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Marshall Rice*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *My prayer are with the Rice Families keep God first and he will walk every step with the family*



Rev. Annie Duncan - August 18, 2023 at 03:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Marshall Rice.*



August 17, 2023 at 11:44 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Marshall Rice.*



August 16, 2023 at 05:16 PM

DD

“ To The Rice Family Sorry For Your Loss,From Doris And The Entire Davis Family . We will Be praying for the Family



Doris Davis - August 15, 2023 at 06:40 PM

RD

Sending prayers and my condolences 🌺 to the family 🙏❤️😊 Rosetta and Derrick Dent and Family

Rosetta Dent - August 18, 2023 at 06:26 PM

BC

“ Bettina Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice



Bettina Campbell - August 15, 2023 at 05:00 PM

WM

“ Warren & Annette Marks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice



Warren & Annette Marks - August 15, 2023 at 01:31 PM

JS

“ Our deepest condolences to the family of Mr. Marshall Rice.

Jamil and Deondra Stallings - August 15, 2023 at 10:42 AM

BM

“ *Barbara McLemore sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice*



Barbara McLemore - August 14, 2023 at 08:48 PM

CJ

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to Marshall's family and friends. We worked together at the Buick Plant 36. May you find comfort in the wonderful memories his beautiful caring spirit and his life. For Our earthly house has dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Rest on in Jesus arms Marshall*



Curtis P Williams Jr

Curtis P Williams Jr - August 14, 2023 at 07:52 AM

SW

“ *With deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. Marshall Rice. May God comfort the family in their loss.*

Sharon Wingate and Family

Sharon Wingate - August 13, 2023 at 08:50 PM

HO

“ *Hank & Willie Ann Tucker - Akron, OH lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice*



Hank & Willie Ann Tucker - Akron, OH - August 13, 2023 at 07:19 PM

NJ

“ *In this time of grief, hold on to the promise of peace, comfort and hope. Nellie Johnson*

Nellie Johnson - August 13, 2023 at 10:03 AM

JR

“ *My deepest condolences to the Family. God bless you and keep you during your hour of grief. James and Melissa Ramsey*



James Ramsey - August 12, 2023 at 09:49 PM

BM

“ *Condolences to Family. Love and prayers for you.*

Barbara Marshall - August 12, 2023 at 12:54 AM

BM

“ *Barbara Marshall lit a candle in memory of Marshall Rice*



Barbara Marshall - August 12, 2023 at 12:49 AM

CS

“ *Heaven Gained an Angel 🙏 My Condolences to the family of Mr. Marshall Rice*



Carolyn Scott - August 11, 2023 at 06:14 PM

DY

“ *One of my best memories was when me and my siblings were young and you use to take us bowling and of course nun of us won. Oh and the best corn bread muffins I ever had, get your rest uncle I love you dearly!!!*

Dajhell Young - August 11, 2023 at 04:17 PM

PP

“ *PJ Pointer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice*



PJ Pointer - August 11, 2023 at 01:56 PM

SP

“ *Sheila Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice*



Sheila Phillips - August 10, 2023 at 07:24 PM

IG

“ *Ida Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice*



Ida Gibson - August 10, 2023 at 06:56 PM

AE

“ *My condolences to the family.*



Annette Evans - August 10, 2023 at 06:15 PM

DD

“ *Dorothy Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice*



Dorothy Davis - August 10, 2023 at 05:11 PM

KR

“ I always remember when my brother would come home,when hunting season,he would killed rabbit 🐰 or squirrels,taken them too my mom to prepare with gravy and white rice with homemade biscuits, also had the best sense of humor in the world,whenever I was going through situations,,he would always say or do something funny to take whatever was going on, he fixed it,I just want to remember him in all the laughter and love he brought into my life,love your baby sister Kathryn Rice

Kathryn Rice - August 10, 2023 at 12:57 PM

DC

I'm so sorry I wasn't prepared for this to be at homecoming,you always been in my life, and tried to direct me in the right direction !!! Thank you Big Brother!!! Much Love ❤️ Gone but never forgotten !!!!

Duane Rice Coleman - August 19, 2023 at 06:48 PM

DR

“ To my Uncle Marshall. You will truly be missed. You were definitely a naturally humorous man!! Oftentimes too funny. I will always love you and I treasure the fact that you loved my Daddy so much! Rest In Paradise until we see each other again!!!



Damita Rice - August 10, 2023 at 11:29 AM

BB

To my friend, brother, confident, you were a man who wore many hats, we shared a relationship like no other, I will always remember your, wit, humor, our talks, the things we shared. You have been a part of my life as far back as I remember, this chapter want change that. When major decisions are made I will consult your wisdom. REST MY FRIEND

Baby Bogan - August 10, 2023 at 04:06 PM

JR

“ *Jermaine & Kimberly Reese lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice*



Jermaine & Kimberly Reese - August 10, 2023 at 09:48 AM

PA

“ *Pamela Altheimer lit a candle in memory of Marshall Rice*



Pamela Altheimer - August 10, 2023 at 08:56 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Marshall Rice.*



August 10, 2023 at 07:56 AM

JC

“ *Janis Conerly sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice*



Janis Conerly - August 10, 2023 at 06:28 AM

RM

“ Rosie McFadden lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice



Rosie McFadden - August 10, 2023 at 01:59 AM

JB

“ Mr. Marshall was a very friendly, funny person.



Jeanette Brown - August 09, 2023 at 08:00 PM

JB

“ My condolences to Marcetta and the entire family.
Mr. Marshall was a very nice, friendly, and funny.
He will be truly missed.



Jeanette Brown - August 09, 2023 at 07:58 PM

MD

“ Mary Dantzler-Grace lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marshall Rice



Mary Dantzler-Grace - August 09, 2023 at 07:45 PM