



## Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens

June 8, 1947 - April 28, 2020

STEPHENS, Mrs. Marva Jean - Age 72, passed away Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at her residence.

On April 28, 2020, Marva Jean Stephens passed peacefully in her own home surrounded by her daughter and companion.

Marva, affectionately known as “Bobby”, was born June 8, 1947, in Mariana, Arkansas, to Earnest and Luzena Coleman. She gave her life to Jesus Christ during her childhood. “Bobby” graduated from Anna Strong High School, “Class of 1965.” In 1966, Marva moved from Arkansas to Flint Michigan. She hired, at AC Spark Plug-Local 651, retiring after 33 years. She was a faithful member at New Zion Baptist Church under Pastor-Reverend Jacob Hawkins where she served diligently on the Usher Board and as their financial secretary.

Marva always kept her home immaculate and in order. Cooking was one of Marva’s ways of showing her love. Family, and friends loved her greens, roast, black eye peas, and chicken and dressing. Her expression of love for cooking was shown to others, whether it be for someone in need, someone who lost a loved one or the sick and shut in or just to cheer/brighten someone’s day. She often kept two of her favorite girls, “Dee Dee” (Armstrong) and “Pam” (Montgomery) over the weekend to play with her daughter LaShiela during

their childhood. They cooked plenty tacos and ate out dinner at Chinese restaurants.

Marva loved to shop at Macys's and her favorite color was red. She was an exquisite dresser and known for her stylish hats and suits for church.

Marva Jean Stephens leaves to cherish her kind, loving and devoted companion of 29 years, Mr. Cecil Hoskins; her affectionate and caring only child, LaShiela (RaMark) Darden of Flint; grandchildren, Mariah and RaMark Darden II; brother, Jean (Mamie) Coleman of Kansas City, Missouri; Nieces, Dometria (Ricky) Harrell of Kansas City, Mo. Regina Lee of St. Louis Missouri, Tameka Hackett of Detroit Michigan, Dexter Mims of Aubrey Arkansas: special daughters; Deanetrius "Dee Dee" Armstrong (Flint-Twsp), Pamela (Marcus) Montgomery (Grand Blanc), Angela Hopkins (Chicago, IL) and Tabitha Hoskins/Charlaya Miles (Saginaw, MI); special sons, Ronnie (Adrianna) Beverly of Arlington Texas, Cecil Jermaine (LaQuandra)/Kayla and Kaci Hoskins of Winterville North Carolina and other relatives and friends including dear special friends, Bessie Bush, Mary Hodges and Flo Robinson.

Marva was preceded in death by her parents, Earnest and Luzena Coleman; and sisters, Earnese Mims and Birthena Williams.

The family would like to express special thanks to McLaren Hospice Services, especially Jania, Dawn and the New Zion Baptist Church family.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - May 04, 2020 at 12:42 PM



*My God mommy looks absolutely beautiful!*

DeeDee Armstrong - May 04, 2020 at 12:47 PM

LD

*Thanks Sis I appreciate and Love you! My mom was as beautiful on the inside as well as the outside....I MISS HER SO MUCH!*  
Lashiela

Lashiela Darden - May 19, 2020 at 10:03 PM



“ *Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM

SV

“ *My sincerest condolences to you LaShiela and your family.*

Shari Vigna - May 18, 2020 at 03:03 PM

LD

*Thanks Shari, I appreciate your support!*

Lashiela Darden - May 19, 2020 at 10:04 PM

SB

“ Sheila so sorry for your loss and sending my condolences! May god give you strength when you need it. Love Sharon



Sharon Ball - May 06, 2020 at 03:13 PM

TB

“ TaWana Bingham lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



TaWana Bingham - May 05, 2020 at 08:51 AM

TB

“ When Marva would enter a room she would give you the most pleasant Hello, she would always dressed like she was going to work in the office, we shared plenty of conversations. The best one for me was about her granddaughter wanting some of her corn bread, she loved her family so much, Tracie Bryant, Stylist❤️

Tracie Bryant - May 04, 2020 at 07:16 PM

LD

Thanks for sharing Tracie. I didn't get to meet you but my mom spoke highly of you. Yes my daughter Mariah loved her cornbread!💕

Lashiela Darden - May 19, 2020 at 10:07 PM

BB

“ Marva was a long time friend whom I loved dearly. She is truly missed! Bessie Bush

Bessie Bush - May 04, 2020 at 12:58 PM

PP

*Sending my love & prayers to Shelia & family; may God bless all of you*

**Phyllis Peterson** - May 04, 2020 at 01:24 PM

TA

“ *May God grant you peace and grace during your time of bereavement.*



**Theresa A Allen** - May 04, 2020 at 12:48 PM

EN

“ *Eddie,Blanchie Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



**Eddie,Blanchie Nelson** - May 04, 2020 at 12:07 PM

YU

“ *Yulanda,Tony,Sonja,Stephen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



**Yulanda,Tony,Sonja,Stephen** - May 04, 2020 at 11:59 AM

EN

“ *Eddie Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Eddie Nelson - May 04, 2020 at 11:50 AM

LC

“ *Lugene And Mamie Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Lugene and Mamie Coleman - May 04, 2020 at 11:26 AM

LC

“ *Lugene, Mamie, Regnia, Dometria Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Lugene, Mamie, Regnia, Dometria Coleman - May 04, 2020 at 11:25 AM

LC

“ *Lugene, Mamie, Regnia, Dometria Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Lugene, Mamie, Regnia, Dometria Coleman - May 04, 2020 at 11:23 AM

HG

“ *Holly & Steve Green lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Holly & Steve Green** - May 04, 2020 at 11:14 AM

LC

“ *Larry And Bobbie Clemmons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Larry And Bobbie Clemmons** - May 03, 2020 at 10:16 PM



“ *Flo Ross lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Flo Ross** - May 03, 2020 at 10:05 PM

CG

“ *Marva you were a extremely good cook and a very caring person you will surely be missed Carla Guise*

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**Carla Guise** - May 03, 2020 at 08:54 PM

BP

“ We enjoyed our time getting to know Marva in recent years and will cherish those memories forever. Mr. Hoskins & Family are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Mike & Brandy Poston*

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**Brandy Poston** - May 03, 2020 at 10:59 AM



“ Dessie Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



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**Dessie Taylor** - May 02, 2020 at 07:20 PM

DS

“ Lasheila, I am so sorry to read about your Moms passing. I truly offer my sincere condolences to you and your Family and will continue to keep you in my prayers.

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**Dorothy Sanders** - May 02, 2020 at 07:12 PM

MR

“ Malcolm And Velma Roach lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



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**Malcolm and Velma Roach** - May 02, 2020 at 06:03 PM

AH

“ My first meeting with Mama Marva was a very touching one as I met her later in life. She said to me "had I known about you, I would have had you with me". Such a sweet and endearing Lady who will truly be missed. We love you until we meet again.

Angela Hopkins - May 02, 2020 at 05:40 PM

AH

“ Angela Hopkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



Angela Hopkins - May 02, 2020 at 05:37 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens.



May 02, 2020 at 03:03 PM

DS

“ Debora Stitt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



Debora Stitt - May 02, 2020 at 01:31 PM

MH

“ *Mary Huddleston lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Mary Huddleston** - May 02, 2020 at 11:34 AM

AM

“ *Annette Marks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Annette Marks** - May 02, 2020 at 08:33 AM

DB

“ *I'm so very sorry to hear about Marva , she was like a big sister to me, Marva was a very kind loving and giving person, she was a very wise woman and loved her daughter and my Big brother Cecil with all her heart, I will keep you all in my prayers ~ Debra , from Bossier City, La.*



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**Debra S. Banks** - May 02, 2020 at 12:11 AM

RJ

“ *Our sincere sympathies, our prayers and thoughts are with the entire family at his time of sorrow. May God send you comfort and His strength to ease the loss you bear.*

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**Rev. & Mrs. Jacob Hawkins Jr.** - May 01, 2020 at 10:59 PM

RS

“ *Rosalind Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Rosalind Smith - May 01, 2020 at 08:54 PM

YT

“ *Yvonne Tidwell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Yvonne Tidwell - May 01, 2020 at 07:40 PM

JH

“ *Shelia (Marcus) Darden and family, Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. God is your comforter and strength. May he bless you and console your hearts during this difficult time.*



James and Carolyn Hudson - May 01, 2020 at 04:20 PM

KG

“ *I enjoyed Marva's smile, laugh, personality and the conversations!!! Keeping her daughter LaShelia and her companion Cecil in my prayers  
Marva will be remembered as a woman with class*

Kaye (Lenear) Gould - May 01, 2020 at 04:04 PM

DR

“ *Dea Julius Ross lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Dea Julius Ross - May 01, 2020 at 03:44 PM

ED

“ *Excelento Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Excelento Davis - May 01, 2020 at 02:17 PM

LB

“ *Lloyd And Vanessa Brackins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Lloyd and Vanessa Brackins - May 01, 2020 at 12:15 PM

JK

“ *Jake And Bernice Kendall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



Jake and Bernice Kendall - May 01, 2020 at 12:03 PM

KC

“ *Katie Crews lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Katie Crews** - May 01, 2020 at 09:38 AM

AG

“ *RIH*



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**Annette Dunn Gaines** - May 01, 2020 at 09:07 AM

ME

“ *Margie Edmonds lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Margie Edmonds** - May 01, 2020 at 09:07 AM

KL

“ *LaSheila may God bless and keep you and your family in this time of your sorrow.*  
*Kathy Lewis*

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**Kathy Lewis** - May 01, 2020 at 09:05 AM

VK

“ *Victoria Kilgore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**victoria kilgore** - May 01, 2020 at 08:19 AM

DL

“ *Dorris Lyons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Dorris Lyons** - May 01, 2020 at 07:58 AM

DF

“ *Dorris Lyons & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Dorris Lyons & Family** - May 01, 2020 at 07:58 AM

IG

“ *IRA Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**IRA Gilbert** - May 01, 2020 at 07:54 AM

  
Cynthia  
Marvin

“ Cynthia Marvin lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Marva Jean Stephens



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**Cynthia Marvin** - May 01, 2020 at 07:44 AM

CJ

“ Cynthia Y. Jones lit a candle in memory of  
Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



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**Cynthia Y. Jones** - May 01, 2020 at 07:12 AM

PM

“ Pamela Montgomery lit a candle in memory of  
Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



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**Pamela Montgomery** - May 01, 2020 at 12:44 AM

PM

“ Marva was a second mom to me growing up. We lived next door for  
years and I was always over her house eating or just being there.  
She was right there when my mom passed. I truly gonna miss her  
genuine spirit. She was a sharp dressed women with lots of class.  
Gonna miss you Marva but I know you are in a better place love you  
always ❤️ Love my Big Sister - Shiela

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**Pamela Montgomery** - May 01, 2020 at 12:38 AM

SN

“ *Sandy Neal lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Sandy Neal** - May 01, 2020 at 12:27 AM

SH

“ *Sonia Harris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Sonia Harris** - May 01, 2020 at 12:03 AM

JF

“ *We love you guys and are praying for you all*  
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**James&Delores (Smith)Richardson& Family** - April 30, 2020 at 11:50 PM

DS

“ *Deadrea Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Deadrea Smith** - April 30, 2020 at 11:25 PM

BN

“ *Barbara J Nesbitt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Barbara J Nesbitt** - April 30, 2020 at 10:27 PM

VH

“ *Vanessa Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Vanessa Hicks** - April 30, 2020 at 10:20 PM

AP

“ *I was so sad to hear this news. Marva was an awesome person with a big personality. She was a sharp dresser and was classy. She will be missed. God bless Sheila and Cecil and the remaining family members. You are in my prayers.*

*Andre Poplar*

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**Andre Poplar** - April 30, 2020 at 10:18 PM

ES

“ *Eddie & Shirlene Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Eddie & Shirlene Simmons** - April 30, 2020 at 09:17 PM

CW

“ Clyde & Janice Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



Clyde & Janice Williams - April 30, 2020 at 08:46 PM

LT

“ Lawrence & Barbara Townsel, sends condolences to the family of Marva Stephens, our prayers are with the family, may God continue to bless the family of Marva Stephens



Lawrence Townsel - April 30, 2020 at 07:55 PM

CW

“ Praying for the family of this classy lady! No one could wear hats like Ms. Marva! It was such a joy to be a part of the same church family as she. Rest in sweet peace Ms. Marva.



Cynthia Walls - April 30, 2020 at 05:42 PM

TW

“ Tammy Webb-Blount sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens



Tammy Webb-Blount - April 30, 2020 at 03:33 PM

JD

“ *Jean Durrett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Jean Durrett** - April 30, 2020 at 02:27 PM

AH

“ *Adell Harris-Eldridge lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Adell Harris-Eldridge** - April 29, 2020 at 06:29 PM

VT

“ *Valerie Toles lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens*



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**Valerie toles** - April 29, 2020 at 05:40 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marva Jean Stephens.*



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April 29, 2020 at 04:32 PM

KC

“ *Dear LaSheila and Family-  
I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your mom. You are such an amazing lady and I bet your mom was so proud of you. I am thinking and praying for healing during this very difficult time.*  
Love,  
*Kathleen Conover from Lake Fenton/Torrey Hill*

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**kathleen conover** - April 29, 2020 at 02:01 PM

LM

“ *Sorry for your loss, LaSheila.*  
*Laura Maule*

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**Laura Maule** - April 29, 2020 at 10:36 AM