



## Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler

October 3, 1926 - May 29, 2019

BUTLER, Mrs. Mazie Mae - Age 92, passed away Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at her residence. Family hour 10:30 AM Monday June 10, 2019 at Cathedral of Faith COGIC, 6031 Dupont St., with funeral service commencing at 11:30 AM, Supt. Chris Martin, officiating. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Church 10:30 AM Monday. Mrs. Butler will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 10:00 AM-6:00 PM with family present to receive friends from 3:00 PM-5:00 PM Sunday.

Mazie Watt Butler was the fourth of ten children, born to Rubie M. and Emmitt Watt, October 3, 1926. At the age of 18, Mazie married John McKeown in Mississippi. They moved to Detroit, Michigan with two small children, seeking better job opportunities for their growing family. After dissolution of the marriage, Mazie pursued a career in nursing to provide for their children. The children spent time with their Grandparents in Mississippi for the summer, while she pursued her dream of becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse.

Mazie was a beautiful caregiver to her younger siblings. Her home was considered an anchor, as family members migrated to Detroit. Her home was always filled with wonderfully prepared food, and considered a place of safety. Mazie worked for Flint General Hospital, the Post Office, and she retired from

Genesee Memorial Hospital in Flint, Michigan. Mazie married James Jackson and helped to raise his 4 small boys. That marriage ended after 22 years and she returned to Mississippi, where she reconnected with her first love, Mr. Bennie Butler. Their home was located just out of town on several acres of land, where Mazie was instrumental in building a subsidized fishing pond, which was dug and stocked. While this business was thriving, she worked as a visiting nurse for the Starkville Health Department at Mississippi State University. This marriage ended suddenly with the death of her husband. She remained in Mississippi, for several years and provided care for her aging parents before she decided to return to Michigan to be near her children.

Mazie Watt Butler leaves to cherish her memory: children, including 2 sons, John McKeown (Pam) and Alvin McKeown (Demetrius); 2 daughters, Cynthia Renfro (Donald) and Jacqueline Washington (Marion); 12 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren and one Great Great Grandchild. Grandchildren include: Tony McKeown, Darris Renfro, Sonya McKeown, Teri Bridgeman (Christopher) and Kendra McKeown, Kimberley Alexander (Michael), Jason Keys (Tamera) Calvin McKeown, John Arrand McKeown, Savanah Washington and Mia McKeown; great-great grandchild, Ke'aris Perryman Jr.; 6 siblings, Charles C. Watt, Felix A. Watt, Mavis E. Dorsey (Sam), Earlene Branch, Lucille Dunlap, and Georgia Pearson; many many nieces, nephews and friends.

Mazie was preceded in death by her husband, Bennie Butler; 2 brothers, Sylvester and Nathaniel Watt; sister, Lee Edna Rodgers; Parents: Emmitt and Rubie M. Watt and Great Granddaughters: Amari Stitt and Cherish Renfro.

We, the family of Mazie Watt Butler, wish to thank everyone for prayers, flowers, food, phone calls, and many other expressions of love and support extended to us during this difficult time. We also thank the Hospice Family: Sara Young (RN), Mellissa Davis (NA) and Robin Ferraresi (RN) of McLaren

Hospice. Cynthia Renfro would especially like to thank Donald Renfro, husband, and son, Darris Renfro, for all the love, help, and support in caring for her mother.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JUN 9. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Family Present

JUN 9. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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## Family hour

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JUN **10**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Cathedral of Faith C.O.G.I.C.  
6031 Dupont St.  
Flint, MI

## Service

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JUN **10**. 11:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler.*



June 10, 2019 at 04:27 PM



“ *So happy I got the chance to spend time with recently. Rest in peace Grandmama Love Terri Bridgeman & family*



**Terri Bridgeman** - June 10, 2019 at 08:30 AM



“ *Sincere condolences to all the family and especially to Al, Demetrius & Mia McKeown...love you all.*

*Jane Knox*

**Jane Knox** - June 09, 2019 at 12:35 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - June 08, 2019 at 02:27 PM

MH

“ Menden And Patsy Holder lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler



Menden And Patsy Holder - June 08, 2019 at 12:41 PM

BM

“ Barbara A McKeown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler



Barbara A McKeown - June 08, 2019 at 10:04 AM



“ 60 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home** - June 08, 2019 at 06:51 AM

LF

“ *Linda, Tony, Stephanie and Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler.*



**Linda, Tony, Stephanie and Family** - June 08, 2019 at 03:21 AM

JJ

“ *Jovita Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler*



**Jovita Johnson** - June 08, 2019 at 01:01 AM

MM

“ Marie McGee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler



Marie McGee - June 06, 2019 at 05:59 PM

DJ

“ Doretha N. Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler



Doretha N. Jackson - June 02, 2019 at 04:49 PM

DJ

“ Doretha N. Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler



Doretha N. Jackson - June 02, 2019 at 12:24 AM

KJ

“ Kalus jackson lights a candle in memory of Mazie Butler please accept my sincere condolences, John Harvey, Alvin, Cynthia, Jackie



Kalus Jackson - June 01, 2019 at 06:37 PM

CM

“ Please accept my sincere condolences for the loss of your dear loved one, Maize. May precious memories and the peace of God comfort you and the family during this difficult time.



C McGee - June 01, 2019 at 11:30 AM

SH

“ My condolence to the family of Mamie Mae Butler. May you find comfort in knowing you will meet again. RIP

Seyon Harrell - June 01, 2019 at 05:36 AM

SM

“ You played a Major Part of the woman I am today! #RIP Grandma! I love you!



Sonia McKeown - June 01, 2019 at 12:50 AM

JA

“ Condolences to the family, may you have peace and comfort.

jacklyn - May 31, 2019 at 08:25 PM

BF

“ Brenda Fluker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler



Brenda Fluker - May 31, 2019 at 06:00 PM

HH

“ Prayers going out for Beautiful Queen Mazie and Family💕..May The Lord grant her peace and paradise.. We love you all sister Jackie 🙌 From Jameelah & Family💕



Hasan Family??cousin( Terry Jameel Hasan - May 31, 2019 at 05:59 PM

TJ

“ Theresa Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler



Theresa Jackson - May 30, 2019 at 01:21 PM

MP

“ MINISTER PAM lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mazie Mae Butler



MINISTER PAM - May 30, 2019 at 07:34 AM

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**MINISTER PAM** - May 30, 2019 at 07:34 AM

VE

“ *Such a sweet Aunt. Will miss you. Venetta*



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**Venetta** - May 29, 2019 at 01:59 PM

VE

“ *Such a sweet Aunt. Will miss her.*



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**Venetta** - May 29, 2019 at 01:54 PM