



## Mr. Michael Alan Petross

August 19, 1946 - September 19, 2025

PETROSS, Mr. Michael – age 79, passed away, Friday, September 19, 2025, at Beaumont Corewell Farmington Hills. Family hour 1:30 PM Friday, October 24, 2025, from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with a memorial service commencing at 2:00 PM. Family and friends will assemble at the funeral home 1:30 PM Friday. There will be no public viewing.

Michael Alan Petross, affectionately known as Mike, was born on August 19, 1946, at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. He was the third of four children born to Robert and Precious Petross. The family lived in Romulus, Michigan, where Mike grew up as a cheerful, friendly boy with a love for animals, especially dogs and birds, that were always a part of his life.

In 1955, the Petross family moved to Flint, Michigan. There, Mike attended Clark Elementary School and later graduated from Southwestern High School. During this time, the family joined Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, which became a meaningful part of their lives.

After high school, Mike continued his education at Flint Junior College. While there, he joined Phi Eta Psi Fraternity, a Black fraternity founded at the college in 1965. He later earned his degree from Eastern Michigan University.

Mike moved to Detroit and opened a vibrant restaurant, The Oakland Express, which quickly became known for its good food and live entertainment. While running the business with his partner Phil, Mike also enrolled at Wayne State University College of Law and served as a Physicians' Professional Certification Agent for the State of Michigan, a role he held proudly until his retirement.

Mike faced health challenges with grace, including receiving a donated kidney gift that extended and enriched his life. After ten successful years, Mike and Phil closed the Oakland Express and later moved into a comfortable assisted living apartment in 2024, where they continued to enjoy frequent video calls with loved ones.

Mike was survived by his mother Precious Buckner, his older brother Charles (Bucilla), his sisters Jeanette and Lillian/Naajiah (Jabril), and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Robert Petross, and his beloved sisters, Janice /AnNisa and Mildred.

Mike will be remembered for his warmth, intelligence, perseverance, and the deep love he shared with those around him. His presence will be deeply missed but fondly remembered by all who knew and loved him.

# Previous Events

## Family hour

OCT **24**. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint  
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.  
Flint, MI 48505  
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## Memorial Service

OCT **24**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross* ”



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - October 24, 2025 at 03:34 PM



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross* ”



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - October 24, 2025 at 08:46 AM

RH

“ *Ruthi Hill sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross* ”



Ruthi Hill - November 03, 2025 at 05:25 PM

PT

“ *Paula Truss lit a candle in memory of Michael Petross*



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**Paula Truss** - October 31, 2025 at 03:20 PM

JS

“ *Jennifer S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Michael Alan Petross.*

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**Jennifer S.** - October 25, 2025 at 06:36 PM

GG

“ *Gail Petross Gregory lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



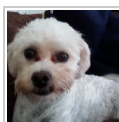
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**Gail Petross Gregory** - October 24, 2025 at 05:48 PM

TK

“ *Tim Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**Tim Kelley** - October 17, 2025 at 02:36 PM



*Mike you will be missed. May you and Mother Petross rest in paradise.*

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**Christine Coley** - October 20, 2025 at 09:50 PM

MR

“ *Melissa Reid lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**Melissa Reid** - October 16, 2025 at 02:26 PM

JM

“ *Jimmye L Maxwell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**Jimmye L Maxwell** - October 14, 2025 at 09:19 PM

EA

“ *EARNEST/POUNCY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**EARNEST/POUNCY** - October 13, 2025 at 05:31 PM

BE

“ *Billie Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**Billie Edwards** - October 10, 2025 at 06:41 AM

ET

“ Eugene Tolbert lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross



Eugene Tolbert - October 07, 2025 at 10:34 PM

DB

“ I'm sadden to hear of Micheal' passing. My condolence and prayers for the family.



Dennis Buckner - October 06, 2025 at 04:00 PM

SR

“ Stephanie Ringer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross



Stephanie Ringer - October 05, 2025 at 05:22 PM

ER

“ Edna M, Rubin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Petross



Edna M, Rubin - October 01, 2025 at 10:30 PM

SC

“ Sandra Cavette lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross



Sandra Cavette - September 29, 2025 at 12:13 PM

ET

“ May the angels welcome him to Paradise 🙏



Ernelle Taylor - September 28, 2025 at 06:34 AM

JM

“ Jimmye L Maxwell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross



Jimmye L Maxwell - September 27, 2025 at 06:05 PM

DO

“ Deloris Odom lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross



Deloris Odom - September 26, 2025 at 12:33 PM

DT

“ *Danene Nunez Test lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**Danene Nunez Test** - September 25, 2025 at 06:10 AM

SM

“ *Sharon Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**Sharon Mixon** - September 25, 2025 at 03:19 AM

BE

“ *Billie J. Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**Billie J. Edwards** - September 24, 2025 at 02:56 PM

BT

“ *Betty Tipper lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



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**Betty Tipper** - September 24, 2025 at 12:37 PM

VK

“ Vivian Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross



Vivian Kelley - September 23, 2025 at 09:36 PM

RH

“ Ruthi Hill lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross



Ruthi Hill - September 23, 2025 at 07:49 PM

RF

“ Heaven Has Received An Angel With A Heart Of Gold. His Love That He Has And Showed For Everyone Will Be Greatly Missed. I Grew Up Knowing The Petross Family All Of My Life. Michael Was So Lovable. He Was Most Definitely One Of A Kind.  
Rest Well Mr. Michael Petross 🕊️🙏🌸💖🌟❤️



Ruthi Hill & Family - September 23, 2025 at 07:46 PM

KR

“ Kendall Reaves lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross



Kendall Reaves - September 23, 2025 at 05:04 PM

RR

“ My condolences and prayers to the family, friends, and Phi Eta Psi Fraternity , in the passing of our dear Bro Mike.



Robert A. Rawls - September 23, 2025 at 02:34 PM

GG

“ Sad to hear about Mike We just text together about 2 weeks ago We went to school together and grew up together Another south buddy gone home Condolences to the Petross family

Greg Gaines - September 23, 2025 at 01:50 PM

JW

“ #Southside 🤔



jimmi jaymes wesley - September 23, 2025 at 12:51 PM

CB

“ Michael, my heart is truly broken at the learning of your transition. We had so much fun during our school years together. Little did I realize you were saying good bye when you last texted me. Rest on in God:s care & I pray He blesses & strengthens your family.



Prayfully, Cherry Brown

Cherry L. Brown - September 23, 2025 at 12:43 PM

CS

“ *Cathryn Williams Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



Cathryn Williams Sanders - September 23, 2025 at 12:16 PM

BD

“ *Brenda Dilworth lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



Brenda Dilworth - September 23, 2025 at 11:40 AM

SP

“ *Sheila Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Petross*



Sheila Phillips - September 23, 2025 at 10:31 AM

BK

“ *My sincere condolences to Mike's family. We went all thru school together, very dear friend, who will be dearly missed...rest well my friend...□*



Brenda Kimble - September 23, 2025 at 08:35 AM

JM

*Sincere condolences to my dear sister Precious, Charles and the rest of the family. May God bless you with peace and the comfort that only He can give*

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**Jimmye L. Maxwell** - September 24, 2025 at 12:44 PM

AM

*To Charles and all the Petross-Buckner family: The LORD bless you and keep you as you travel with your doubly heavy burden. Michael was the gentlest of souls, he brought joy whenever he was around. Rest in the love of God and cherish your memories of Michael.*

*Ann Maxwell-McCloud October 12*

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**Annie McCloud** - October 12, 2025 at 05:45 PM

SE

*Charles, Phillip and family. Stay strong, know that we're all praying for you. What a tuff act to follow. But know we all care and are here for you. Shirley Shull-Epps*

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**Shirley Shull- Epps** - October 24, 2025 at 04:52 AM