



## Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery

February 20, 1950 - July 19, 2025

EVERY, Mrs. Lurla Mae - Age 75, passed away Saturday, July 19, 2025 at her residence. Family hour 10:30 AM Wednesday, July 30, 2025 at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church , 2120 Saginaw St., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Rev. Richard Doss, officiating, Rev. Willie Ward Jr., Eulogist. Family and friends will assemble at the church 10:30 AM Wednesday. Internment Sunset Hills Cemetery G-4413 Flushing Rd, Mrs. Avery 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 Tuesday with family present from 4:00PM-6:00PM. Mrs. Lurla Mae (Blake) Avery was born on February 20, 1950, in Crockett, Tennessee, the daughter of Jeanette (Blake) Coulter and Willie Perry Blake. Lurla was a resident of Flint, Michigan. She was a member of Dozier Memorial C.M.E. Church where she served Sunday School Teacher, Director of Board of Christian Education, Steward, Choir Member and Missionary. Lurla was a graduate of Baker College where she obtained a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration. She was a Homemaker, Receptionist, Substitute Teacher of the Flint Board of Education and a frequent Election Worker. Lurla's hobbies and skills were Seamstress, Avid Reader, Soloist and puzzle wizard. She spent time solving puzzle books, trivia challenges, and she watched movies of all genres. Lurla enjoyed helping others, visiting the sick and shut-in and CBS soaps for over 40 years. Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery leaves to cherish her memory: daughter, Christy (Antoine Sr.) Whitner of Richmond, VA; 2 sons, Timothy (Lawanda) Avery Sr. and Willie

(Natasha) Avery Jr., all of Flint; grandchildren, Shanika Johnson Flint, MI), Katina Johnson (Nashville, TN) Dinah (Titus) Israel (Detroit, MI), Staff Sergeant JaQuary Avery (Woodbridge, VA), Jasmine Avery Cleveland, TX), Khair Avery (Flint, MI), Kawanna Avery (Flint, MI), Antoine Whitner Jr. (Indianapolis, IN), Kiyana Avery(Flint, MI), Timothy Avery II (Flint, MI), Alahna Whitner (Richmond, VA); Great-Grandchildren, Ka'ni Bryon, Zae'lyn Avery, Ari'yanna Batson, Brianna Batson, Keontiea Williams Jr., Ti'yanna Williams, Kevon Williams, Taylor Williams, Jaden Johnson, Kiyana Avery Jr. and Kyana Avery, all of Flint, Jasmine Israel, Titus Israel II, Izayah Israel, Jeremiah Israel, Zacarias Israel and Zachaeus Israel, all of Detroit, MI, Ladarious Johnson of Nashville, TN, Zoé Ramsey, Jordan Ramsey and Brycen Ramsey, all of Cleveland, TX,.3 sisters, Williette Denise (Charles) Woods, Cindy Ganaway and Darlene Harris Vassar of Nashville, TN; sisters-in-law, Annette Blake and Francine Avery; brother-in-law, James (Sylvia) Avery of Henderson, NV; a host of nieces, nephews, aunts; a host of cousins including special close cousins, Mary E. Jackson, Patricia Sharp and Jeanette "She-She" Ward; best friend, Gattie (Oliver) Welch of Trenton, TN; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Linnie K. Agnew of Trenton, TN, Sharon Jackson and Virginia Thompson, both of Flint. Mrs. Avery was preceded in death by her husband, Willie Albert Avery Sr.; 2 sons, Albert Lee Avery and Willie Perry Avery; father, Willie Perry Blake; mother, Jeanette (Ward) Blake-Coulter; step-father, Leo Coulter; grandparents, Bertha Barham, James Blake, Willie Ward Sr. and Nina Holloman-Ward; 2 brothers, Floydell Blake and Calvin Blake Sr.; mother and father-in-law, Robert B. Avery and Nannie Ervin Avery-Caldwell. The family would like to express special thanks to Dozier Memorial C.M.E. Church and McLaren Hospice Care Team.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

JUL 29. 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](mailto:lemoonfhflint@gmail.com)  
<https://lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

## Family Present

JUL 29. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Family hour

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JUL 30. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church  
2120 N. Saginaw Street  
48505, MI

## Funeral Service

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JUL 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

AS

“ *Aileen Spence sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery* ”



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**Aileen Spence** - July 31, 2025 at 05:06 PM

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GM

“ *Glen Miller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery* ”



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**Glen Miller** - July 30, 2025 at 11:37 AM

OB

“ *Otissteen Blair-brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery*



otissteen blair-brown - July 29, 2025 at 11:25 PM

OB

“ *Sis. Lurla was faithful until the end. Her passion for studying scriptures, singing in the choir, or just relaxing and engaging in good conversations was so inspiring! She will be missed!*

otissteen blair-brown - July 29, 2025 at 11:25 PM

MF

“ *Marcia Adams & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery.*



Marcia Adams & Family - July 28, 2025 at 11:12 AM

TF

“ *Tamika French & Angela French purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery.*



Tamika French & Angela French - July 28, 2025 at 12:21 AM

TF

“ Tamika French & Angela French planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery.

Tamika French & Angela French - July 28, 2025 at 12:21 AM

MF



Tony and Juliet (Mathis) Finney



Mr and Mrs Tony Finney - July 26, 2025 at 07:04 AM

NO

“ Narotha Ogden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery



Narotha Ogden - July 25, 2025 at 01:12 AM

SI

“ Mama Lurla always kept it real. If she said what she said was a person, it was her. I praise God that she came into my life by way of My Bestie, Her Daughter, Christy! This is My Bestie & My Sister! I love you my family, and love & will forever miss Mama!!! Praying for & with you all, Tim, Jr., & Christy!



Sonceria Ingram-Ford - July 25, 2025 at 12:59 AM

FF

“ From Deon and the Whitner Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery.



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**From Deon and the Whitner Family** - July 24, 2025 at 02:59 PM

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“ From Deon and the Whitner Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery.

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**From Deon and the Whitner Family** - July 24, 2025 at 02:59 PM

MK

“ To the Avery family. Sending sincere sympathy to you all in the passing of your mother. She will be truly missed. Praying for each of you as you go through this trying time. Just remember God is standing with you and will never leave you.



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**Mary Kelly** - July 24, 2025 at 12:34 AM

SJ

“ One of My Closest Sistas's I've ever had. Enjoyed growing w/her in Church. Imma miss U My Friend. Rest on, ....Until we meet again. Prayers for the FAM'. SJ



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**Sharon Jackson** - July 23, 2025 at 06:47 PM

JA

“ Over many years, Lurla was an active and dedicated participant in the exercise and yoga classes I instructed. Lurla was a sincere Christian woman. She was thoughtful, generous, and kind. I could always count on her to endure my humor with a hearty laugh. She was a devoted daughter to her mother until her passing. I admired that about Lurla...her loving devotion to her mother. She loved her family, whom she spoke about with a modest pride. I am saddened by Lurla's passing and that I didn't speak with her before she transitioned. I will fondly remember her. My sincere condolences are with the family and those remaining to cherish her memory.



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**JanMarie Arbor** - July 23, 2025 at 06:25 PM

LW

“ Lisa Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery



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**Lisa Wilson** - July 23, 2025 at 12:02 AM

LM

“ Dearly Beloved, Mrs. Lurla M. Avery, I find peace in this difficult time, knowing that you are resting peacefully with our Lord, Savior Jesus Christ. Singing: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is and is to come. Revelation 4:8 May God continue to Bless your family, with His perfect peace and comfort. Love you forever, Mrs. Lisa Marquez, friend of the family.



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**Lisa Marquez** - July 22, 2025 at 07:38 PM

JK

“ Jesse Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery



Jesse Kirksey - July 22, 2025 at 04:19 PM

BL

“ Lurla and i work at SS kresge downtown flint. Very sweet and kind lady. Psalm 116: 15 Precious in the sight of the lord is the death of his saints. Praying for comfort and peace to her family.



Barbara Lakes - July 22, 2025 at 03:13 PM

SJ

“ Shalese Jarrett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery



Shalese Jarrett - July 21, 2025 at 11:33 PM

JM

“ Jimmye Maxwell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery



Jimmye Maxwell - July 21, 2025 at 08:22 PM

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“ *Class Of 1967 lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery*



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**Class of 1967** - July 21, 2025 at 08:03 PM

TM

“ *Theresa McQuiddy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery*



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**Theresa McQuiddy** - July 21, 2025 at 06:53 PM

DB

“ *Rest well my Sista. You will truly be missed.*



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**Doretha Breed** - July 21, 2025 at 05:15 PM

CW

“ *Chandra Ward and family from Memphis TN sending prayers for you and your family. May peace and comfort be with you.*

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**Chandra Starks Ward** - July 21, 2025 at 03:25 PM

AE

“ Rest easy, Sis. Lurla, Servant of God,  
You were faithful to the end. You were truly loved and you will be  
missed. Your presence will forever be a part of us. May the Peace  
of God and the memories made together help to sustain you, Min.  
Tim and the Family.  
Art and Derryl Evans

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**Art & Derryl Evans** - July 21, 2025 at 12:18 PM

RM

“ Rosie McFadden lit a candle in memory of  
Mrs. Lurla Mae Avery



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**Rosie McFadden** - July 21, 2025 at 09:41 AM

MH

“ Mary , Julius Hobson



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**Mary A Hobson** - July 20, 2025 at 10:30 PM

TF

“ Tamika French lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Lurla Avery



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**Tamika French** - July 19, 2025 at 12:10 PM