



P.F.C McGruder

April 15, 1986 - June 14, 2008

McGRUDER, P.F.C. Dion - Age 22, passed away Saturday, June 14, 2008 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 11AM Monday, June 23, 2008 at House of Prayer Missionary Baptist Church, 1851 W. Carpenter Rd., with funeral service commencing at 12Noon, Eld. Kenneth L. Stewart officiating. Interment River Rest Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11AM Monday. P.F.C. McGruder will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 10AM-8PM Sunday. P.F.C. Dion Quentin McGruder was born April 15, 1986 in Flint, MI, the son of Sheila Ann McGruder and Thomas "Killowatt" Stokes. Dion graduated from Southwestern Academy "Class of 2004". He later enrolled in the United States Marine Corps (Hotel Company) San Diego, CA. Dion was currently employed at Delphi of Flint and was a member of UAW Local #651. He loved to play video games, and riding his motorcycle. P.F.C. Dion Quentin McGruder leaves to cherish his memory: parents, Sheila Ann (Fumba) McGruder-Toure' and Thomas "Killowatt" Stokes; 2 sisters, Shanika "Nikki" McGruder and Valencia Stokes, all of Flint; 2 brothers, Thomas Tieaccho Stokes and Thomas Stokes II; grandparents, Elaine Butler, Alice "Faye" Releford and Robert McGruder; niece, Moray McGruder-Murphy; 6 aunts; 7 uncles; a host of cousins, other relatives and friends. Dion was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, Charlie (Cora) Dixon; grandfather, Leo Butler, Sr.; aunt, Terry Lynn McGruder; and childhood friend, Cody "Fruit" Harden. The family would like to express

special thanks to all our family and friends, Delphi Workers, all Dion friends,
United States Marine Corps, and many more that was touched by Dion. Thank
You All.

Tribute Wall

MB

“ Dion popped in my head a few days ago. We worked together at Delphi. He used to drive a Cadillac and everytime I see one I think of him. I have been seeing one everyday for the last few days and figured I would look him up online. So that’s what brings me here. He was a cool young brother. We hired in together. He made an impact on me and so many others. Gone but not forgotten. ❤️❤️❤️



Marlon “Mo” Brown - May 07, 2024 at 08:03 PM



“ P.F.C McGruder

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM

MS

“ May the lord keep you, and ease your grif, and allow you to savor the joy of your child's memories.

Marvin Stokes - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ Dion... You helped Nate realize that good is still around. There was no color barrier with your friendship or your personality. I remember Dion coming over to our house to get a tattoo to honor of his mother. The one person in this world that this man thought the most out of. Sam you have raised a considerate, kind, and loving man that would give a person the shirt off his back and think nothing of it. You instilled honor into his life. Honor thy mother and father, and he did that. I can not imagine the pain you are going through, both parents. Dion has met our children and they loved him. I just hope when our children grow up that they have this quality too. My heart goes out to family and friends during their hurt.

Nathan & Michelle Cocke - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Hey Mr. Mcgruder, I can't even describe how i feel. I miss you and when you left i feel like you took a piece of me too. I love you and you will never be forgotten, sometimes i sit back and think of you and a smile beams across my face and i look up the sun is shining down.

LaKetta R. - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Dion Was a wonderful guy and great friend he had a heart for whatever h did he will be greatly missed and always in my prays

Justin Laster - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Dion Was a wonderful person always enjoyed making people laugh when they were down and just loved always having a good time he will be greatly missed my prayers and wishes are with his family

Dionna Gilmore & Justin Laster - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Dion,

*You are one of a kind! I will NEVER refer to you as was because you are still very much alive in my heart, and you always will be! I will miss your smile and daily hugs though! Go easy on God.....he's old ya know ;) You be good up there and I'll see ya soon! Love you with all my heart Dion! *hugs**

Tommy, if their is anything you need or anything I can do, please let me know. My phone is always on, and I'm always here for you! God Bless!

My prayers and thoughts are sent for the whole family! God Bless you all!

Shelly Swyrtek - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Dearest Sheila and family,

Our family expresses its most deepest and heartfelt condolences on the loss of your beloved son, grandson, brother, uncle, nephew, and cousin.

Dion was a wonderful and vibrant young man who was loved by many. We are sorry that we never had the opportunity to meet the fine person he was. He was loved dearly and will always be in the hearts and souls of those who were dear to him.

This brave and selfless young man served his country with pride and honor as a US Marine. Thank you, dear Dion, for protecting your fellow Americans. Your family loved you and was proud of you. Please continue watching over us from your special place at our good Lord's side.

Sheila, if there is anything that you and you family need, please do not hesitate to let us know. May God bring you peace, comfort, and strength during this most sorrowful time.

Kimberly Princing - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *It saddens my heart to know that he's gone from so many that loves him so much. I wish I had the chance to get to know Dion but I'm sure I will through the hearts of those who knew and loved him well. I pray that the peace of God be with all those who loved Dion and the memories they have of him will comfort them at this time and the days to come. All my love to the family Cousin Kim*

Arnez & Kim Carneygee - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ To the family of Sheila McGruder.
I deeply regret hearing about the loss of Dion. My sympathy,
thoughts, and prayers are with you.

Sharon Stokes - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *"My Dion", words cannot express my feelings and emotions right now. Since high school you have been nothing but there for me, our relationship was and still is very important to me. I know you are in a much better place right now, but it is so hard for me to realize and except that you are no longer here on earth but as you already know in my heart you will always be. All the happy time's we spent together and the memories will stay with me forever. I LOVE YOU and I know you are watching over me. I miss you more than you will ever know. Sheila, you and your family will continue to be in my prayers always.*

Kizzie Baker - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *Dion I had just talked to you the day before you passed and I was in NY working for the summer. Your last words to me were "Have fun be safe. I will miss you and I love you". I am so glad that I told you I love you too and I do. If I could be there I would but you are not there ..you are with God and my life has been so much better since knowing you ..Your mother and family are in our prayers and you will FOREVER be in our hearts...love you, cherelle chantelle and tommie johnson (the triplets)*

cherelle chantelle tommie johnson - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Sheila(Sam),
I am so sorry for your loss. You must be in such pain, I wish I could take some it from you.
I lost a son also, but you had 22 wonderful years to enjoy him. The only thing I can do for you is to tell you that I love you, and that you were a great mother to that wonderful boy. The last time I saw him I noticed that you had managed to mold him into an exceptional young man.
I will pray for you and yours, if there is anything I can do to ease your pain even a little bit, please call, my number is in the book

I love you,

Michelle Parker

Michelle Parker - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Although we did not know your son we are sending nothing but love and prayers towards you and your family in this time of need. So often people leave this world and we are stuck with the question of why, but we know God has a plan and a purpse and Dion was what he needed to fullfill and help him carry out his plans in heaven. Just know that you are thought about and loved and constantly in our prayers. Love you...The Logans

The Logan Family - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

2R

“ We wanted to send you and your family our condolences during your time of berevement. Our thought and prayers will be with you and your family. May God grant you and your family peace. And if there's anything we can do for you and your family don't hesitate to let us know.

2nd Shift East Circut Board Room - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Dion,
I did not know you Dion, but I know your mother well. I know you are
in God's hands now and he will take care of you.*

Dawn & Phil Brasher - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. My sincere
condolences to you and your family.
dodi*

Dodi Wright - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ *There will be a time when all of the pieces will fit together and we all
will understand the reason for the pain.*

*Missing someone gets easier everyday.
Because, even though it is one day further from the last time you
saw each other,
it is one day closer to the next time you will*

David Vert - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *May you rest in peace my friend I will miss you so much your smile
and your jokes and I will never forget you at all.*

Mia McHenry - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ Sometimes, we don't appreciate the little things we have in life. So many kill for the big things and die for the huge things!! But one little thing we take for granted would be friends and family...Life, and life itself!! Yea, life sucks... and it never dishes any good cards out for us...But yet, we still must hold strong and fast, firm and stay strengthen in whom our life and beings are held from...God almighty! And yes, I questions his actions, his judgments, his doings... And even though I shouldn't, I just don't understand Life at times.

This was such a tragedy, and a life taking... But who am I to say, It wasn't meant?!? It wasn't time?!? Yet, I don't know the doings of Jesus....But I will say, we as people....We don't have much time to get our lives together. Its so much going on in this world now that, at any giving moment I rest to sure, that one day... it'll be my time...and I hate that I have to think about it....

But I wanted to encourage each and everyone that in times like these, we don't know neither wants to understand God's plan, but we can never let our weary eyes discourages us!! To the family... God is faithful, just, and all knowing. I'm sorry you had to experience this situation so tragic.

But know that IF GOD BRINGS YOU TO IT, HE'S SURE TO BRING YOU THROUGH IT!!

Just as sure there is LIFE there is DEATH... and there is a HEAVEN and there is a HELL...

*God Bless the family, and God bless the Friends.
May God's blessings, grace and mercy continue to flow and shower on each and everyone of you!!*

Kevin Johnson - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM