



Ms. Rachel Silk

May 2, 1937 - October 25, 2017

SILK, Ms. Rachel - 80, passed away Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at University of Michigan Hospital-Ann Arbor, MI. Family hour 11:00 AM Friday, November 3, 2017 at New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church, 1035 E. Carpenter Rd., with funeral service commencing at 12:00 PM, Pastor Patrick W. Sanders Sr., officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church, 11:00 AM Friday. Ms. Silk 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-8:00 PM Thursday, with the family present from 3:00 PM -7:00 PM to receive friends.

Ms. Rachel Silk was born May 2, 1937 in Texarkana, Texas, the daughter of Colonel and Eliza Lee Sr. Rachel was a graduate of Flint Central High School, "Class of 1956". Rachel served 20 years in the Flint Public Schools as one of the first Black Secretaries starting at Roosevelt Elementary School in the 1950s. In 1976 she began working for General Motors Corporation where she completed 25 years of service. Rachel was a devoted member of New Jerusalem Baptist Church for over 40 years where she served as a member of the Inspirational Voices Choir. She later went on to the Academy Novart School of Design receiving a certification in the Art of Fashion Design and Sewing. She enjoyed the singing of Aretha Franklin and the James Cleveland and the Angelic Choir. She loved creating art with her hands, and spending time with family and friends.

Ms. Rachel Silk leaves to cherish her memory: 2 children, Mark Burton of Royal Oak, MI and Eric Silk of Bethesda MD; grandchild, Shaye Hernandez; 2 great grandchildren, Apple Gillum and Kree Buyckes of Auburn Hills, MI; 3 sisters, Eldoris (Kenneth) Simmons of Flint, Eld. Delores Vaughn of Mt. Morris, MI and Ida Johnson of Flint, MI; 5 brothers, Clyde Lee, Sr. of Detroit, MI, Colonel (Betty) Lee II of Flint, Joseph (Dorothy) Lee of Flushing, MI, Eugene (Cathis) Lee of Grand Blanc, MI, and Anthony Lee of North Carolina; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends including long time close friend, Sandy Brown and the New Jerusalem Inspirational Voices Choir.

Ms. Silk was preceded in death by her parents, Colonel and Eliza Lee, Sr.; niece, Oksana R. Vaughn; sister, Maple L. Skinner; brother, William J. Lee; brothers-in-law, William Vaughn, Jr. and Wilbert Johnson.

The family would like to express special thanks to sister, Eld. Delores Vaughn and niece, Angela Vaughn, Dr. Peddireddy, Dr. Pelley, Dr. Param, University of Michigan ICCU, The Cleveland Clinic, Hurley Medical Center, home care staff Sherry Thompson, LaQuinta Boone, and Ondrea Boone

Previous Events

Public Viewing

NOV 2. 12:00 PM - 8:00 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

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Family hour

NOV 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Rachel Silk*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Elder Anna Johnson left a virtual Gift for Ms. Rachel Silk*



Elder Anna Johnson - November 03, 2017 at 05:43 PM



“ *Michelle Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Michelle Jones - November 03, 2017 at 11:35 AM



“ *To the family of Rachel we send our sympathy, will continue to lift the family in prayer. We have known Rachel for many years a beautiful woman. God bless each of you.*

*Benny & Mae Vern Spence
Marietta Ga.*

Mae Vern Spence - November 03, 2017 at 11:29 AM



“ Aunt Rachel, you will be truly missed! I'm so thankful for the time that I was able to spend with you over the years. I will never forget your kind spirit. Continue to rest in peace as you watch down on us. I love you and I'll miss you.



Devin Lee - November 03, 2017 at 07:53 AM

EB

“ Ella Bondon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Ella Bondon - November 02, 2017 at 11:31 PM

BB

“ Bobby And Ella Bondon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Bobby and Ella Bondon - November 02, 2017 at 11:27 PM

RB

“ Robert Bondon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Robert Bondon - November 02, 2017 at 11:26 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to Debra and the entire family of your dearly beloved "Aunt Rachel". I am praying that God will comfort you all now and in the days to come. "Precious in the sight of the Lord, is the death of His saints". Cherish, share and visit often the fond memories you have shared. Hugs and love to you my friend. Love, Cerese*



Cerese Simpson Pennington - November 02, 2017 at 03:21 PM

BH

“ *Thankful for the time we shared. Peace and Blessings Bettye Hendricks*



bettye hendricks - November 02, 2017 at 12:29 PM

TF

“ *Tye Ford lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Tye Ford - November 02, 2017 at 10:52 AM

TF

“ *My sweet Aunt Rachel you will be truly missed. I can remember you picking me up to spend time with Shaye for the weekend. Your famous lima beans you would make for us. Your sweet voice and you listening to marvin sapp in the car, so many memories I have in my heart that I shared with you. I love you and miss you. Rest in heaven Auntie. Fly high Angel.*

Love Tye.

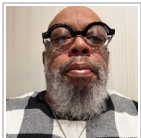
Tye Ford - November 02, 2017 at 10:48 AM

SL

“ *SHIRLEY LYNN lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



SHIRLEY LYNN - November 01, 2017 at 11:24 PM



“ *A Jeffrey LaValley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



A Jeffrey LaValley - November 01, 2017 at 10:12 PM

GM

“ *GLORIA MOSES-COLEN lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



GLORIA MOSES-COLEN - November 01, 2017 at 03:24 PM



“ *Barbara Lakes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Barbara Lakes - November 01, 2017 at 02:40 PM

NL

“ *Sincere sympathy to Rachael'sfamily! She was a blessed woman!*

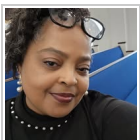
Nina M. Lewis - November 01, 2017 at 01:47 PM

WH

“ *Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Wanda Harrison - November 01, 2017 at 09:55 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the family 💖 May GOD give you peace and comfort 💖*

Yolanda Johnson - November 01, 2017 at 06:59 AM

SS

“ *Shirlene Simmons lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Shirlene Simmons - October 31, 2017 at 09:49 PM

MR

“ *Mary Randle Lit a candle in memory of Ms Rachel Silk*

Mary Randle - October 31, 2017 at 05:48 PM

EL

“ *Elder Michael & Phyllis Leslie sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Elder Michael & Phyllis Leslie - October 31, 2017 at 01:01 PM



“ *Charles Brown Jr. lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Charles Brown Jr. - October 31, 2017 at 12:14 PM

NE

“ Dear Family: I am deeply sorry for the loss of you dear loved one, Ms. Rachel Silk. May the hope at Isaiah 25:8 bring the family and friends much comfort, here God assures us that "death will be swallowed up forever and tears wiped from all faces."



Neighbor - October 31, 2017 at 05:21 AM

KJ

“ Well Aunt Rachel I've been holding off but I will truly miss you. You are one of a kind. You fought a good fight and now your in God's hands. Love you 🥰😊

Krystal Johnson - October 31, 2017 at 01:43 AM

 Donyale Skinner

“ 1 file added to the album *Our Memories*



Donyale Skinner - October 30, 2017 at 05:42 PM

 Donyale Skinner

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Donyale Skinner - October 30, 2017 at 05:41 PM

TF

Beautiful Granny and Granddaughter Picture.

Tye Ford - November 02, 2017 at 10:52 AM

CP

“ *COREY PIERCE lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*




COREY PIERCE - October 30, 2017 at 09:53 AM



“ *Kimberly Hall-Miller sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Kimberly Hall-Miller - October 30, 2017 at 09:52 AM


Michele
Davis

“ *Michele Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Michele Davis - October 30, 2017 at 07:26 AM

SE

“ *Sandra Epps sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Sandra Epps - October 29, 2017 at 08:01 PM

WS

“ *WYVONNE SKINNER sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



WYVONNE SKINNER - October 29, 2017 at 12:12 PM

MH

“ *Mary Haney lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Mary Haney - October 29, 2017 at 11:05 AM

TP

“ *Tonya Price lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Tonya Price - October 29, 2017 at 01:21 AM

MD

“ *Mary Davis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Mary Davis - October 28, 2017 at 07:30 PM

FL

“ *My amazing Aunt Rachel. You can now REST in heaven. I will miss you calling my name because NO one said “REN” the way you would. I will definitely miss your unique sarcasm. I have so many wonderful memories growing up in the Lée family And the lessons learned I will carry for a life time. I can remember as a little girl you baby sitting my brothers and I, what a blessing. I want to just say faithful servant, well done. You love the Lord and your New Jersulem church family. And we’re gonna celebrate your life next Friday. To My AMAZING cousins Mark and Eric. God Bless you for the WONDERFUL job taking care of your momma. She told me she was worried about you and I told her “they’ll be fine, you took care of them and now it’s time for them to take care of you. I’m gonna miss you but you’re forever in my heart
Love forever
Ren*

Florenda Lee-Hall - October 28, 2017 at 03:55 PM

SR

“ *Sandra Rawls lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Sandra Rawls - October 28, 2017 at 10:30 AM



“ *Gloria Jenkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Gloria Jenkins - October 28, 2017 at 09:11 AM

RR

“ *Rodney Richardson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Rodney Richardson - October 28, 2017 at 08:14 AM

NM

“ *Neva Magee lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Neva Magee - October 27, 2017 at 09:32 PM

DM

“ *Doris NitaMoe Moore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Doris NitaMoe Moore - October 27, 2017 at 07:50 PM



“ Lynn Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Lynn Williams - October 27, 2017 at 06:51 PM



“ Deborah Harris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Deborah Harris - October 27, 2017 at 01:58 PM



“ H.O.P., MBC lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



H.O.P., MBC - October 27, 2017 at 01:56 PM



“ Anthony Paxton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Anthony Paxton - October 27, 2017 at 12:47 PM

TK

“ Terri Kirkland lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Terri Kirkland - October 27, 2017 at 11:04 AM



“ A Jeffrey LaValley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



A Jeffrey LaValley - October 27, 2017 at 11:02 AM

TA

“ Toni K. Adams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Toni K. Adams - October 27, 2017 at 10:17 AM

DG

“ I would like to express my sincere condolence for the loss of your loved one. May you find comfort during this time of mourning, through persistent prayers, as "the peace of God that excels all thought will guard your heart and your mental powers." (Philippians 4:7) I certainly hope, with God's love and the support of those who care, you will find the comfort and strength that will help you now and in the days ahead.

Deborah Gipson - October 27, 2017 at 10:15 AM

DW

“ *Diane Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Diane Williams - October 27, 2017 at 10:03 AM

BK

“ *Brenda Kimble lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Brenda Kimble - October 27, 2017 at 03:29 AM

TW

“ *Twana lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Twana - October 27, 2017 at 01:37 AM

GL

“ *I will miss Aunt Rachel's Laugh it would crack me up!!!! I never heard the word Diva when I was growing up so Auntie you were it!!! A role model and mentor among the rest of the Village who helped raise us on Alabama Street. Great Mother outstanding Job!!! Love You Will you!!! See you Later!!*

Gail Lee-Henry - October 26, 2017 at 08:00 PM

JW

“ Remember a couple years ago when the electricity went out Rachel came by and wanted me and my dog Champ to investigate the house before she reentered 🐾🐾🐾. Oh I forgot to mention we've been neighbors since 1967 !!

Jaymes Wesley - October 26, 2017 at 05:34 PM

JM

“ Jeannie Mayberry lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Jeannie Mayberry - October 26, 2017 at 03:30 PM


Donyale
Skinner

“ I have so many memories of my Aunt, it's hard to believe that she is gone. I know she's seen mom already, and Uncle Bill. I miss them so much. Nothing is the same. I'll miss her laugh and her calling Tracie's name. I love you Auntie, I'm going to miss you.

Donyale Skinner - October 26, 2017 at 08:54 AM

CY

“ Cynthia lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk



Cynthia - October 26, 2017 at 07:17 AM

VW

“ *Velma Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Rachel Silk*



Velma Williams - October 25, 2017 at 11:46 PM

LC

“ *May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and gave everlasting comfort and good hope by means of undeserved kindness, comfort your hearts and make you firm.—2 Thess. 2:16, 17.*

L. Cade - October 25, 2017 at 06:14 PM