



Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis

September 3, 1941 - October 22, 2013

LEWIS, Mr. Raphus Eugene - Age 72, passed away Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, 6415 N. Clio Rd., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Pastor Wallace Hill III, officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. Mr. Lewis will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 4-8 p.m. Monday.

Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis, "Ray" was born September 3, 1941 in Plantersville, AR, the son of the late Thaddeus A. and Verna B. Lewis. He was the 8th of 12 children. "Ray" was educated in the Drew County Public School Systems; he also attended Mott Community College. Raphus accepted Christ at an early age at Strangerest A.M.E. Church in Arkansas. He was a faithful and dedicated member of Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, where he served as an Usher, Trustee, Member of the Men's Chorus and in many other capacities. "Ray" retired from SPO in Swartz Creek, a division of General Motors after 38 years of service. He had a way about him, which would make people laugh, talk and debate. "Ray" was very skilled in fixing and building things.

Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis, "Ray" leaves to cherish his memory: wife: Sandra K. Lewis of Grand Blanc, MI; 3 daughters, Kimberly (Brian) Hairston and

Teresa (David) Baker, all of Southfield, MI and Tia Lewis (Aaron Brown) of Grand Blanc, MI; grandchildren, Lydia and Aniya Baker, both of Southfield, MI and Aaron of Flint; sister, Marva (Otis) McDaniel of Flint; 2 brothers, Ira Lee (Agnes) Lewis of Mt. Morris, MI and Welton (Carol) Lewis of Flint; mother and father-in-law, Lavon (Fern) Davis of Oxnard, CA; stepfather-in-law, Frank (Lynn) Jackson of Flint, MI; 6 sisters-in-law, Sue Henry of Flint; Ruthie Mae Vincent of Wilmar, AR, Alice Marie Lewis of Mt. Morris, MI, Stephanie Webb of Oxnard, CA and Shani (Terell) Smith of Flint and Tanga Hill; brothers-in-law, Craig Davis of Oxnard, CA and Patrick Davis of CA; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Sheila Green, Colleen Lyons, Liz Clausell, the McWilliams, Brooks, Collins, Bassett Hartfields and Young families, Dawn Donuts and his crew, Margie Jones, Henry and Doris Thomas, Jessie Rubin, Oma Evans and Betty Hill.

Mr. Lewis was preceded in death by his parents; stepmother, Vivian Lewis; 5 brothers, GW, QT, Bobby, Ulyess, Lamar; 3 sisters, Margaret (Mickey), LeDora and Lettie.

The family would like to express special thanks to Dr. Al Jabban, Dr. Kevin Gaffney, Dr. Vargo, Paramedic; Mike, Sheila Green, Pastor Wallace Hill III and the Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church family.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Service

OCT **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Public Viewing

OCT **28**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Family hour

OCT **29**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church

G-6415 N. Clio Rd.

Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Raphus you had a heart of gold, I will always keep you in my prayers.I miss you so much,you was my best friend we did every thing together.I think about all the things we did you was a great husband,father, brother and uncle ,we all going to miss,rest in peace,your wife Sandra (Sandy) Lewis*



Sandra Lewis - December 04, 2013 at 07:50 PM



“ *I love you Daddy, and I miss you.*

Tia Lewis - November 17, 2013 at 07:23 PM



“ *Tia Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Tia Lewis - November 14, 2013 at 08:23 PM



“ *I Love you Daddy.*

Tia Lewis - November 14, 2013 at 08:18 PM

SL

“ *Raphus I will always love May God Bless you and keep you, You will always be in my heart. We did everything together if you see one you see the ether .Rest in peace. Love your wife Sandra Lewis, I'm going to miss you.* ”



Sandra Lewis - November 14, 2013 at 08:16 PM

DE

“ *I love and miss you Uncle Raphus....love Deb* ”



Deb - November 14, 2013 at 11:46 AM

KH

“ *Kimberly Hairston lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis* ”



Kimberly Hairston - November 09, 2013 at 08:53 PM

SL

“ *Sandra Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis* ”



sandra Lewis - November 08, 2013 at 09:53 PM

SL

“ *Sandy Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Sandy Lewis - November 03, 2013 at 05:23 AM

RC

“ *Retha Collins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Retha Collins - November 01, 2013 at 10:51 AM

RC

We will all miss Uncle Raphus but we know he is in heaven and we will meet him again. Praying for your comfort and strength.

Love and prayers from the Lloyd/Retha Collins Family

Retha Collins - November 01, 2013 at 10:56 AM

TL

“ *Daddy,*

I will miss you dearly, Your teachings, your giving and kind heart and love have truley made me into who I am today. I was blessed to have such a great father and will continue your legacy of helping others when they are in need....and being the best person I can be...though my heart is broken, I will carry memories of love and laughter with me. I love you, your daughter, Tia

Tia Lewis - October 30, 2013 at 11:20 PM

VM

“ *Victoria Matthews lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Victoria Matthews - October 29, 2013 at 06:06 PM

PM

“ *We have been friends for many years and I will never forget our kind conversations and your memory will always be in my heart.*
Always Love,
Paula McWilliams



Paula McWilliams - October 29, 2013 at 01:06 PM

PW

“ *Paula Wright lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Paula Wright - October 29, 2013 at 01:01 PM

GJ

“ *Gloria Jackson-Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Gloria Jackson-Jenkins - October 29, 2013 at 08:31 AM

WN

“ *Walt & Terry Nickson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Walt & Terry Nickson - October 29, 2013 at 07:02 AM

TN

“ *Terry Nickson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Terry Nickson - October 29, 2013 at 07:00 AM

TD

“ *To the family of Raphus:*

We are sorry for your lost and will remember you in our prayers. For all of us who know Raphus, we were blessed just by his friendship. Now he resides with our Lord and Savior being rewarded for a job well done. The Dunlaps/Strangers Rest Methodist Church



The Dunlaps - October 28, 2013 at 07:06 PM

JS

“ *Lit a candle for Mr. Raphus Lewis and family, Mr. Raphus Lewis paved the way by tutoring when the opportunities permitted. Rest well my brother, Heaven is receiving a definitely well-rounded Christian brother! Thanks, Proverbs 3: 5-6.*

James E. Avery, Sr. - October 28, 2013 at 06:12 PM

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MF

“ *McWilliams & Quinn Families lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



McWilliams & Quinn Families - October 28, 2013 at 04:46 PM

DM

“ *To the famlies of Ruphus
Please ,know that I am praying for each of you .I was sadden to hear of the passing Raphus.I remember him as a funny guy.Sandy we all know that he was a loving husband and father .He truly loved his girls!!!!!!May bless each of you during this diffcult time.
Love ;Diane Robison - MC lean*

Diane Mclean - October 28, 2013 at 03:08 PM

WM

“ *Our hearts are with the Lewis Family today and always.*

*The Robertson/Dunn Family
Wilmar, Arkansas*

Wanda Bass McGill - October 28, 2013 at 02:19 PM

NT

“ *Sandy, Tia & Family, My condolences to you. May you find comfort in the wonderful memories Raphus left for you to cherish. God Bless Nita Turner & family*

Nita Turner - October 28, 2013 at 11:50 AM

LM

“ *"I solemnly assure you, the man who hears my word and has faith in him who sent me possesses eternal life. He does not come under condemnation, but has passed from death to life." John 5:24 Sandy, Kim, Teresa and Tia losing a loved one is always difficult but comfort comes through belief. You have our deepest sympathy. Odell and Lydia Miles*

Lydia Miles - October 28, 2013 at 11:10 AM

MM

“ *Marva McDaniel sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Marva McDaniel - October 28, 2013 at 10:20 AM

DI

“ *Kim & Brian and Family,*

Words can not express our heartfelt sympathy for the loss of your father. It is our hope that the wonderful memories you have of the great man he was will bring you peace and comfort during this hard time and the days and weeks to follow. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Love,

Diane & Matt Blonde

Diane - October 28, 2013 at 09:27 AM

RM

“ *Love you Uncle Raphus, rest in peace*

Major and Rita Miller



Rita Miller - October 28, 2013 at 08:39 AM

SH

“ *Sandy an Tia I will miss my brother Raphus an his famous words he always said to when he saw me. I'm so glad he was a part of my life.*



Sue Henry - October 28, 2013 at 08:14 AM

AH

“ Alice A. Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



Alice A. Harris - October 28, 2013 at 08:12 AM

AH

“ Thinking of the Lewis Family in the loss of your loved one with the sympathy and understanding that words cannot express.

Alice A. Harris - October 28, 2013 at 08:10 AM

SC

“ Sandra L Collins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



Sandra L Collins - October 28, 2013 at 05:23 AM

SC

Sandra, and the Lewis family, When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure.
Sandra Collins

Sandra L Collins - October 28, 2013 at 05:24 AM

 Maricia Green

“ I'm so glad that i got a chance to c you and Aunt Sandy in August. I missed you before and will miss u even more now.. Its good to know that you will b in good company with my momma.... I love you both and will always keep you in my heart.

Maricia Green - October 28, 2013 at 12:03 AM

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IC

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time.

Inadelle Brooks Crawford



inadelle Crawford - October 27, 2013 at 07:23 PM

LI

“ *Lewis Family,*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Raphus was like a family member for so many years. When our dad passed, Raphus came over and shared stories about meeting him for the first time at work. We still talk about how much those stories and that visit meant to us. He brought joy and laughter to our lives as well.

The Copeland Family

Lisa - October 27, 2013 at 03:39 PM

WL

“ Welton Carolyn. Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



welton carolyn. lewis - October 27, 2013 at 01:15 PM

SD

“ SHELIA Diltz lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



SHELIA Diltz - October 27, 2013 at 01:14 PM

SD

I pray your Family gets stronger each day.

SHELIA Diltz - October 27, 2013 at 01:16 PM

TS

“ WELTON AND FAMILY,MY CONDOLENCES AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. I WILL ALWAYS HAVE MEMORIES OF RAPHUS....PEACE

TOMMY SHAW - October 27, 2013 at 11:50 AM

KH

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



Kimberly Lewis Hairston - October 27, 2013 at 11:25 AM

KH

Daddy, I will miss you so much. I thank God for blessing me with you as my father. You are a great man who would give the shirt off his back and do anything for anybody. You brought joy and laughter to everyone you met. There will never be another Raphus Lewis. I will always love my daddy.

Kim

Kimberly Lewis Hairston - October 27, 2013 at 11:32 AM

ML

“ *Uncle Raphus, your smile, jokes and quirky sense of humor will be deeply missed. Grateful I am for all the support you have provided to me and my family, never missing out on any of life's milestones. You always brought joy and sunshine to every family event, those memories forever ingrained in my mind. I'm so grateful not only for the childhood memories I shared with you but the ones we shared as adults too. Thanks for leaving your legacy as the always smiling, laughing, loving, generous, supportive, embracing, accepting people as they are uncle. Peace, mercy and all of God's blessings on your soul uncle Raphus.*

Ms. Yvonne Lewis - October 27, 2013 at 08:46 AM

MB

“ *Melody B Bondon-McGee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis*



Melody B Bondon-McGee - October 27, 2013 at 07:54 AM

TB

“ *Dad, there are no words that adequately describe how much you will be missed. I am thankful that we had the opportunity to establish a closeness and that you were able to see and hold your grandchildren. You may be gone from this earth but your spirit will live on in us children and in your grandchildren. I will miss your quick-witted jokes and sense of humor. I love you, dad. May you rest in peace. Love your daughter, Teresa.*

Teresa Baker - October 26, 2013 at 10:41 PM

DS

“ *Uncle Raphus, I love you so much, but you know I miss you dearly. I'll be seeing your smiling face when I get to heaven, until then rest in peace!!! YOUR FAVORITE NIECE DEB...*



Debra Spriggs - October 26, 2013 at 02:26 PM

SL

“ *I will always love you. You will always be remembered in my heart and mind. You will truly be missed. Rest in peace. Your loving wife Sandy.*

Sandy Lewis - October 26, 2013 at 02:16 PM

SN

“ I will miss your smiling face every Sunday morning. Love you Uncle



Sharon Nichols - October 26, 2013 at 02:04 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis.



October 26, 2013 at 01:17 PM

BW

“ Gonna miss you Unc. Still trying to figure this hair thing out.

Bruce M. Watson - October 26, 2013 at 11:23 AM

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VK

“ Vicky Kilgore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



vicky kilgore - October 26, 2013 at 10:30 AM

LI

“ Dear Lewis Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is tremendous, even with the passage of time. Thankfully, I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress according to Psalms 83:18, and Psalms 65:2. Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again, as promised at John 5:28.29 and Isaiah 25:8. My family and I wish you and yours peace.

Lisa - October 26, 2013 at 10:18 AM

FW

“ Felicia Watson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



Felicia Watson - October 26, 2013 at 05:55 AM

JM

“ Jean Montgomery lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



Jean Montgomery - October 25, 2013 at 08:43 PM

RG

“ Tia,
Thoughts and prayers to you and your family. May the wonderful memories of your dad bring you comfort, peace and joy in the days ahead.
I am sending out lots of hugs from me and all of your friends at yoga.
Rosemary Godbey

Rosemary Godbey - October 25, 2013 at 07:53 PM

SS

“ Sheila Summers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



Sheila Summers - October 24, 2013 at 01:03 PM

JW

“ Janice Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raphus Eugene Lewis



Janice Williams - October 23, 2013 at 11:43 PM

LC

“ Liz Clausell



liiz clausell - October 23, 2013 at 07:21 PM