



Eld. Rayford Gray

September 28, 1940 - January 23, 2015

GRAY, Eld. Rayford - Age 74, passed away Friday, January 23, 2015 at his residence. Family hour 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 31, 2015 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with memorial service commencing at 11 a.m. Rev. Alonzo Vincent officiating. Family and friends will assemble at the funeral home 10:30 a.m. Saturday. There will be no public viewing.

Mr. Rayford Gray was born September 28, 1940 to Mr. and Mrs. Dock & Annie Gray of Henderson Texas, where he was reared by godly parents. After the death of his mother he moved to Seattle WA. to live with his sister. Shortly after the family settled in Los Angeles, California, where he worked until moving to Flint Michigan. In 1976, he was united in Holy Matrimony to Sarah P. Simmons. This lovely couple started a journey that lasted until God called him from labor to reward. To this union was born one son Rayford Vernell Gray. He was his Dad's pride and joy.

His spiritual journey started as a young child by godly parents that taught him the fear and reverence God. He was called into the ministry under the guidance of Pastor Quintin L. Marshall. He later recieved the call to Pastor and started Christian Mission Full Gospel Church for 7 years, where lives were greatly touched. Pastor Ray was faithful to God and his mission until his health began to decline never waivering to the promises of God he was often

found reading his Bible and attending church when he could.

He was a lover of sports some of his favorites were basketball and football he always followed the high school games even after his son graduated from high school. Elder Rayford pursued higher education receiving his high school diploma from Northern High School in Flint MI, and received a degree in Biblical Theology.

He leaves to cherish sweet and lasting memories: his loving & caring wife, Sarah P. Gray; son, Rayford Vernell Gray; special granddaughter, Jalaile S. Rice (Papa's girl); loving sister, Pearl Hayes of San Diego, CA; one brother-in-law, Major (Janice) Fuller of Ludowici, GA; three sisters-in-law, Mary F. Hines, Cecelia Brooks and Pastor Wanda K. Marshall, all of Flint; a host of caring nieces and nephews including niece, Hope (David) Hatton of San Diego, CA and nephew, Javier Hayes of San Diego, CA.

Mr. Gray was preceded in death by his parents; one sister; mother and father-in-law; and 2 brothers-in-law.

His life's wish was to donate his body to science.

Previous Events

Family hour

JAN 31. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Service

JAN 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



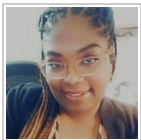
“ *Eld. Rayford Gray*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of your (our) loss. I wasn't able to get in touch with anyone due to illness, but you have been in my prayers and thoughts. Know that God cares and He is watching over each and everyone of us during these seasons. My Love, Your Cousin, Deborah Simmons-Grey*

Deborah Grey - February 18, 2015 at 02:09 PM



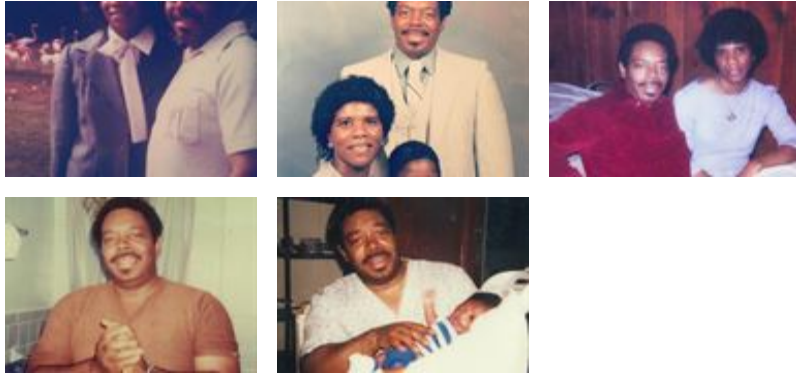
“ *Shaquitta Johnson lit a candle in memory of Eld. Rayford Gray*



Shaquitta Johnson - January 30, 2015 at 12:07 PM



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Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - January 30, 2015 at 10:42 AM



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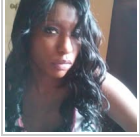
Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - January 30, 2015 at 08:52 AM



“ *Kinshasa Simmons lit a candle in memory of Eld. Rayford Gray*



Kinshasa Simmons - January 30, 2015 at 06:24 AM



“ *Deshna Marshall lit a candle in memory of Eld. Rayford Gray*



Deshna Marshall - January 30, 2015 at 04:30 AM



We love you Uncle Ray, Heaven has received a beautiful angel, with a beautiful heart. We will ALWAYS love and miss you.

Deshna Marshall - January 30, 2015 at 04:31 AM



“ *Terina Hunt lit a candle in memory of Eld. Rayford Gray*



Terina Hunt - January 29, 2015 at 08:46 PM



“ *Kathy Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Eld. Rayford Gray*



Kathy Davis - January 28, 2015 at 02:11 PM

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“ Dear Family and Friends: I am deeply sorry for your loss. In this difficult time in your lives, may you find comfort and strength in God's word, the Bible. James 4:8 encourages "Draw close to God and he will draw close to you."



Neighbor - January 28, 2015 at 10:07 AM

DW

“ rest in heaven Uncle Ray

Delano Webb - January 27, 2015 at 11:20 PM

MM

“ Maxine Murray lit a candle in memory of Eld. Rayford Gray



Maxine Murray - January 27, 2015 at 07:34 AM



“ RE-NAYE SANDERS lit a candle in memory of Eld. Rayford Gray



RE-NAYE SANDERS - January 26, 2015 at 03:18 PM



MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO MY FAMILY, ESP. MY AUNTIE PAULETTE AND MY COUSIN, RAY.

RE-NAYE SANDERS - January 26, 2015 at 03:19 PM