



## Mr. Robert Hairston

May 16, 1937 - March 21, 2016

HAIRSTON, Mr. Robert - Age 78, passed away Monday, March 21, 2016 at his residence. Family hour 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 26, 2016 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 2:30 p.m. Brother Evans Leslie, officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 1:30 p.m. Saturday. Mr. Hairston will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 1 p.m. - 8 p.m. Friday.

Mr. Robert Hairston was born May 16, 1937 in Crawford, Mississippi, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas and Ella Mae Tucker-Hairston. After being baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses in 1967 he served as an Elder of the Congregation for many years including his most recent serving as an Elder at the Mott Park Congregation in Flint, Michigan.

Robert retired from General Motors after 34 years of service. His joys included gardening, taking pictures, sharing in the ministry of preaching about God's Kingdom, and traveling with his wife. Mr. Hairston, also known as "Happy Hairston" and "Smiling Bob" could always be found with a beautiful smile, known for his saying, "Even if things get you down, sometimes you need to smile to keep from crying." His loving personality and happy demeanor demonstrated his love for helping others and making them feel loved.

Affectionately being revered as “Dad” to many friends that he had gained throughout his lifetime, shared a great love for his family especially for his wife Mrs. Lois Hairston.

Mr. Robert Hairston leaves to cherish his memory: wife of 58 years, Lois Hairston: 5 daughters, Darlene (Donald) Hogan, Odessa (Curtis) Brooks, Rolanda (Delano) Moore, Kaloa Hairston all of Flint Michigan and Lucricia (Horace) Allen of Atlanta Georgia: 4 sons Darryl and Forrest Hairston of Flint, Michigan, Albert (Rosa) Clay and Willie (Maryann) Davis of Brookville, Mississippi: Son-in-Law Arthur A. Williams; 27 Grandchildren and 14 Great-Grandchildren: 3 sisters Martha Sykes, Mollie Hairston and Ella (Gilbert) Bransford all of Flint, Michigan: 2 sister-in-law's, Hattie and Mary Hairston both of Flint, Michigan: Aunt Lula (William) Monroe of Cincinnati, Ohio: a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins: other relatives and friends. Including special friends, Willie Trice, James Coley, Mrs. Ollie Johnson and Family and Cassandra (Charles) Clifton.

Robert was preceded in death by: parents Dallas and Ella Mae Hairston: brothers, Sam, Dallas B., and John Hairston: sons, Robert W. and Stanley Hairston: daughter Corliss Williams: and grandson Robert W. Hairston II. Daughters-in-Law, Donna M. And Freda R. Hairston.

The family would like to express special thanks to the entire Mott Park Congregation, Heartland Hospice Care, special nurses Leslie and Mark, Bill Quarles, Lawrence E Moon and staff.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

**MAR 25.** 1:00 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 hour

**MAR 26.** 1:30 PM (ET)

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## Service

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MAR **26**. 2:30 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Robert Hairston*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Danielle Love Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston*



**Danielle Love Phillips** - May 06, 2016 at 08:41 PM



“ *Dad is the reason we are still together and doing well! He aided my husband in the truth and because of that we are still going strong!*



**Caroline Trice** - March 28, 2016 at 07:11 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



**Caroline Trice** - March 28, 2016 at 07:09 PM

VK

“ *My sincerest condolences to the Hairston Family..Ray, I haven't know you and Robert as Long as many,but since Dayton St . Never saw Robert without a smile,and always slow to anger,just always a gentleman,spoke highly of his wife and love for you. May the love of the Almighty carry you during this,yet another difficult time in your life. Blessing to you.*

*Vivian & April Kelley (Neci )*



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**Vivian Kelley** - March 26, 2016 at 09:31 AM

VA

“ *My condolences and prayers go outta to Rolanda and the entire Hairston Family. May Jehovah give you strength during this time.*

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**Vita Armstrong-Jones** - March 26, 2016 at 12:13 AM

RK

“ *To all the children and wonder wife of Bro. Hairston*

*You are in my prayers.*

*Bro. Hairston was such a patient and kind brother. His love for Jehovah was so encouraging and his smile was so unique.*

*Looking forward to seeing him again in paradise.*

*May Jehovah keep blessing you Sis. Hairston; sending you a big hug!!!*

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**Regina Kelly** - March 25, 2016 at 10:55 PM

CS

“ *Deepest Sympathy, Ray, u and your family. Much prayer for you.*

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**Carolyn (Jean) Spight** - March 25, 2016 at 09:08 PM

MH

“ *To The Hairston Family.  
Our heartfelt prayers and condolences goes out to you with your loss. Death is never easy. It is the hardest to bear, but Jehovah knows and he will always be there no matter what circumstances it brings us. He gives us a hope of seeing our love ones again and that's makes us even stronger knowing the promises he gives to us. Our family will keep you in our prayers always  
Mary, Miranda and Treasure Horton*

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**Mary, Miranda, Treasure Horton's** - March 25, 2016 at 06:48 PM

SS

“ *Syl Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston*



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**syl smith** - March 25, 2016 at 04:17 PM

AW

“ *My condolences to the Hairston family, from the Williamson family*

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**Argie Williamson** - March 25, 2016 at 02:16 PM



“ *Michelle D Watkins (Missy Miller)*  
*I'm so sorry to hear about Bro. Hairston. . I remember his warm smile when we would see him and his family at assemblies. . The NICEST brother. . May Jehovah sustain the family until they can see him again, with renewed health and youth with ever lasting life in view.*

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**Michelle Watkins** - March 25, 2016 at 01:12 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Hairston.*



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March 25, 2016 at 09:07 AM



“ *Sending heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the entire Hairston family during this most difficult time. I had the honor & privilege of spending a lot of my teenage years visiting at the Hairston home and Bro Hairston always treated me like one of his own. He always welcomed me with that unforgettable smile. Praying that Jehovah give you the strength to endure this loss knowing that soon you will be reunited with this great man. I love you all.*



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**Paula (Cookie) Peterson** - March 25, 2016 at 08:30 AM

FC

“ My condolences to the (Hairston) family for the loss of your loved one. May prayers and memories comfort you. And may Jehovah, who loves you, comfort your heart and " make you firm." as you cope with your grief. (2 Thessalonians 2:16,17)

Farmon&Irma Childress - March 25, 2016 at 05:43 AM

AP

“ Anna Pinnix lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston



Anna pinnix - March 24, 2016 at 10:31 PM

GA

“ Will miss his smile Glenda Alford (Gray)



Glenda Alford - March 24, 2016 at 10:21 PM

TS

“ THE HAIRSTON FAMILY ARE IN OUR PRAYERS

THE SAIN FAMILY

TERJAUNIA SAIN - March 24, 2016 at 07:17 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Hairston.*



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March 24, 2016 at 05:55 PM



“ *I will always remember him for his kindness and nonjudgmental attitude. I 'll miss his smile. My condolences go out to his family.*

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**Cheryl McGee** - March 24, 2016 at 02:32 PM



“ *Cheryl McGee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston*



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**Cheryl McGee** - March 24, 2016 at 02:28 PM



“ Just sitting here thinking of the convos we had....the last lunch we had together....and just everything.....you were the only SOLID man in my life that i know only wanted the best for me...you knew my struggle....with losing my brother,my dad, my aunts and uncle,and my mom....and now you....  
But with you....Its different....you were a FAITHFUL servant of Jehovah...you stressed to me the importance of that relationship and the wonderful promise of everlasting life in a world where sickness will be no more....i hold tight to that hope.....so ima say until we meet again your forever in my heart....love your granddaughter Kesha 🥰🥰🥰

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**Lekesha Hairston** - March 24, 2016 at 12:34 PM



“ Linda Booth lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston



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**Linda Booth** - March 24, 2016 at 11:21 AM



“ Sheila Summers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston



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**Sheila Summers** - March 24, 2016 at 10:30 AM

SM

“ Stacy McGee-Dixon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston



Stacy McGee-Dixon - March 24, 2016 at 07:59 AM

SM

Bro. Hairston was one of the nicest people I've ever met. He always had a smile and a kind word. My heart goes out to the entire Hairston family. May you all continue to find strength in Jehovah.

Stacy McGee-Dixon - March 24, 2016 at 08:01 AM

KB

“ Kyranai Bridges lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston



kyranai bridges - March 23, 2016 at 07:20 PM

DP

“ The Hairston family have my condolences and i will keep them all in my prayers. I love yall

Danielle Love Phillips - March 23, 2016 at 06:16 PM

 Darian Manore

“ Darian Manore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston



Darian Manore - March 23, 2016 at 06:05 PM

DM

“ I spent a lot of time at the Hairston ' s house playing basketball with his son's! He always had a smile!! He was truly a VERY nice man!! My prayers go out for his family!

Darius Mayfield - March 23, 2016 at 06:00 PM

AC

“ Annta Callaway lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston



Annta Callaway - March 23, 2016 at 04:48 PM

OM

“ Mr. Hairston was a great man all ways the same every time you saw him.

Ollie Murphy - March 23, 2016 at 01:10 PM

DS

“ Delois Smith Scott lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston



Delois Smith Scott - March 23, 2016 at 11:59 AM



“ *Mr. Hairston was a great man and he will be truly missed.* 😊



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**Consweler Coleman** - March 23, 2016 at 10:24 AM

SW

“ *Sending my love and hugs to the Hariston family. Brother Hariston was a class act and a good man. He will be missed. Our whole family sends their love and condolences. Shaun Wright & the family of Sister Billie June Wright.*

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**Shaun Wright-Verdun** - March 23, 2016 at 09:47 AM

BB

“ *Bettie Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston*



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**Bettie Brown** - March 23, 2016 at 09:32 AM

RH

“ *I love you all, and I know that prayer helps*



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**Renee Hill-Sykes** - March 23, 2016 at 09:16 AM

EW

“ *Evaett Laury Webb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston*



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**Evaett Laury Webb** - March 23, 2016 at 05:05 AM

IH

“ *Iris Hare lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Hairston*



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**Iris Hare** - March 22, 2016 at 08:27 PM

SM

“ *To the entire Hairston family,  
I surely have been supplicating Jehovah to comfort you and give you super abundant strength to get through this difficult time. I look forward to seeing Bro Hairston and my father in the paradise earth and hoping he will be able to teach his old friend about Jehovah. You will continue to be in my heart and prayers. Love you all.*

*Selina Long Merriwether*

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**Selina Long Merriwether** - March 22, 2016 at 04:10 PM

DB

“ *My condolences to the family of Mr. Robert Hairston. Death can be devastating and not easy to get through, but at Philippians 4:6&7 encourages to go to rely on God and prayer it also gives us peace and understanding.*

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**Daisy Boone** - March 22, 2016 at 07:55 AM

ES

*Our prayers and love to the Hairston family so sorry for your loss May Jehovah be with you in this time of grief Elliott and CharlieMae Traeye*

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**Elliott Traeye Sr** - March 27, 2016 at 06:42 AM