



Rev. Rodney Tyiska

August 16, 1952 - April 9, 2013

TYISKA, Rev. Rodney - Age 60, passed away Tuesday, April 9, 2013. Family hour 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 17, 2013 at Quinn Chapel AME Church, 2101 Lippincott Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 12 noon. Rev. Marcus Cylar officiating. Family and friends will assemble at the church 11 a.m. Wednesday. Rev. Tyiska will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Rev. Rodney Demorie Tyiska was born August 16, 1952, Flint, MI. Rodney was the son of James Troy and Alice Jean (Payne) Tyiska. Rodney was always active in church and accepted Christ at an early age. He was avid swimmer, played the trumpet and was in Boy Scouts and also enjoyed camping. Rodney graduated from Flint Southwestern High School in 1970. He attended Western Michigan University where he became a man of the Epsilon Xi chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He sang with several choirs and was involved in many theater productions.

Rodney returned to Flint and reunited with Quinn Chapel A.M.E Church and was called to the ministry and preached his trial sermon in 1995. He attended Ecumenical Theological Seminary, Detroit, MI. Rodney was ordained in the A.M.E Church and received his Local Elder Orders. Rev. Tyiska served at Quinn Chapel AMEC on the ministerial staff and as Sunday School

Superintendent, Youth Pastor and Class Leader. He was a member of the Chancel, Praise and Worship Choirs, and Boy Scout Leader. Rev. Tyiska was an active parent in the schools Troy attended. He was also active in the community, a member of F.A.C.T, Flint Youth Theater, Bible Study Fellowship and Flint Community Players. He was the recipient of many awards including one from the Kalamazoo-Muskegon Michigan National Black Nurses Association.

Rev. R. Demorie Tyiska leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Kristopher "Krista" Demetria Roberson of Kalamazoo, MI; son, Troy Demorie Tyiska; mother, A Jean Tyiska; sisters, Rev. Andra Tyiska Johnson, Patrice Tyiska of Flint; nieces, Jere' Sims, Aleya Tyiska, Sherrisa Powell; nephews, Ja'Aire Johnson and Eric Sims, all of Flint; great-nieces, Kiara Powell, Kya Powell, Keionna Johnson, Imani Johnson and Camille Johnson; great-nephew, Elijah Dunigan; fiance', Birthale Archie of Grand Rapids, MI; aunts, Elaine Jordan of Detroit, MI, Ora Smith of San Francisco, CA, Ruth Wynn of Tyler, TX, Belvia Strickland, Mattie Tyiska of Chicago, IL, Maude Tyiska, Iota Payne of Flint; uncle, William Jones of Tyler, TX; God-brother, Derrick (Mary) Turner of Lansing, MI; He also leaves to cherish a host of cousins, friends and the Quinn Chapel A.M.E. Church and First Community A.M.E. Church families.

Rev. Rodney Tyiska was preceded in death by his father, James Tyiska; grandparents, Demorie and Bessie Tyiska, Earl and Allie Payne; and great-nephew, Eric Sims, Jr.

We would like to Thank Pastor and Evangelist Cylar for their loving, care and kindness. Special Thanks to Jack and Tim RN's and CICU 4th Floor Staff for all their care.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR 16. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Family hour

APR 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Quinn Chapel AME Church
2101 Lippincott Blvd.
Flint, MI 48503

Service

APR 17. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Rodney Tyiska*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Latoya Dulaney lit a candle in memory of Rev. Rodney Tyiska*



latoya dulaney - April 27, 2013 at 12:40 AM



“ *To the Tyiska family with great remorse in the passing and yet glorious celebration in the home going of my classmate, friend, and brother in the Lord. To God Be the Glory that he got out of here saved! I am fervently praying for your family. "Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.. Mozella Watkins-Bogan Class of 1970 Flint Southwestern*

Mozella E. Watkins-Bogan - April 23, 2013 at 11:49 PM



“ *Colleen Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Rev. Rodney Tyiska*



Colleen Jenkins - April 17, 2013 at 05:11 PM

PT

“ *Paula Truss lit a candle in memory of Rev. Rodney Tyiska*



Paula Truss - April 17, 2013 at 07:58 AM

DM

“ *I would like to send my heart felt condolences to the family of Rev. Rodney Tyiska. I remember Rodney from Junior High School as a super guy. I'm so happy to learn that he was chosen by God to do his work. I'm sure the people that he encountered are better off because of him. Rest in Peace Rodney. You will be missed.*

*Dwight C. Reynolds, MD
Fort Lauderdale, FL
Flint Central High, class of 1970*

Dwight C. Reynolds, MD - April 16, 2013 at 11:37 PM

BK

“ *Brenda Kimble lit a candle in memory of Rev. Rodney Tyiska*



Brenda Kimble - April 16, 2013 at 09:02 AM

MW

“ *Sorry for the lost of Rodney. May The Lord comfort your hearts during this time*

makeba whorton - April 16, 2013 at 06:49 AM

DR

“ *Dorothe Rhodes lit a candle in memory of Rev. Rodney Tyiska*



Dorothe Rhodes - April 15, 2013 at 06:36 PM

DR

I only knew the Reverend a short time. A Mighty Man Of God my prayers and condolences to the family.

Dorothe Rhodes - April 15, 2013 at 06:38 PM

LI

“ *Dear Tyiska Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is fresh, even with the passage of much 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.
(Psalms83:18,Psalms65:2) Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again.(Isaiah 25:8) My family and I wish you and yours peace.(Phillipians4:7)*

Lisa - April 15, 2013 at 05:15 PM

CH

“ *(John 5:28, 29) Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice 29?and come out, those who did good things to a resurrection of life, those who practiced vile things to a resurrection of judgment.*

Chalya - April 15, 2013 at 10:39 AM

EW

“ *Rodney is one of my dearest friends and fraternity brothers. My prayers and deepest condolences go out to his family. May God give you all the strength to go through this trying time as well as peace and joy as you reflect on Rodney's life and legacy. He will always be alive in our hearts and I look forward to seeing him again in heaven.*

Edgar B. Watson - April 14, 2013 at 08:32 PM

EW

“ *Edgar B. Watson lit a candle in memory of Rev. Rodney Tyiska*



Edgar B. Watson - April 14, 2013 at 08:28 PM

BF

“ *Betty Ford lit a candle in memory of Rev. Rodney Tyiska*



Betty Ford - April 14, 2013 at 05:55 PM

SS

“ Our condolence to the entire Tyiska Family. We can only imagine what you are experiencing due to the untimely passing of Rev. Rodney. You do however, have the consolation of knowing that God has prepared a place for your loved one. We who know God understand that God will heal your broken hearts. So we bid you look to the 121st Psalm and lift your eyes unto the hills and know that your help comes from the Lord.

Rev. Stan & Jacquelyn Sims

Stanley Sims - April 13, 2013 at 06:30 PM

VP

“ From "The Class of 1970" Flint Southwestern High School, The Home of The Colts, we extend our condolences to the Tyiska Family. We wish comfort for the family and we know that Rodney is in his mansion that God has promised us.

Vera Perry - April 13, 2013 at 01:21 PM

ET

“ My condolences to the family for the loss of Rodney. I did not know him but do know how hard it is to cope with loss. I have been comforted by a scripture at Psalm 9:9 that assures us that God will be a secure height in times of distress. I hope this comforts you also.

E Torres - April 13, 2013 at 11:42 AM

PL

“ I am sorry to hear of your loss. May you find comfort in family and friends at this difficult time. The Bible gives hope that soon our Creator Jehovah God will end all suffering, pain, and death. And we have the hope of being reunited with our loved ones that have passed away. Rev 21:4, John 5:28-29. There will be many of those asleep in the ground of dust who will wake up to indefinitely everlasting life.

Peggy Land - April 12, 2013 at 01:35 PM

GM

“ To the family of Reverend Rodney Tyiska,

My deepest sympathy in the loss of Reverend Tyiska, II Corinthians 5:8, "we are absent from the body and present with the Lord".

*Georgia Ann Moss
Muskegon, MI 49441*



Georgia Ann Moss - April 10, 2013 at 08:41 PM

TW

To the Tyiska Family, you have my sincere condolences. Rodney was my friend and fraternity brother and we shared many close moments over the years. I was shocked and hurt to hear of his untimely passing. It is a loss that I am still struggling with. Rodney I will never forget you.

"Your sands"

T. Wendell Williams

T.Wendell Williams - April 16, 2013 at 08:31 PM