



## Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.

March 10, 1946 - November 20, 2014

ROLAND, Mr. Ronald Phillip Sr. - Age 68, passed away Thursday, November 20, 2014 at his residence. Family hour 10 a.m. Monday, December 1, 2014 at Vernon Chapel AME Church, 5802 Dupont St., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Pastor Byron C. Moore officiating. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10 a.m. Monday. Mr. Roland will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday with family present from 2-6p.m.

Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland was born March 10, 1946 in Detroit, Michigan the son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah (Glenora) Roland. Mr. Roland was a graduate of Flint Central High School, "Class of 1964." He acquired the skill of cutting hair by attending Michigan Barber School in Detroit, Michigan. A skill he later used while serving his country in the United States Army while attending Officer Candidate School (OCS) in Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Mr. Roland completed Nike-Hercules Warhead pre-fire course in Europe and provided grounds security in Aberdeen, Maryland. He also served his country overseas being stationed in Germany and Italy. After serving four years, First Lieutenant Ronald P. Roland received an Honorable Discharge from the United States Army in 1969. Mr. Roland was a lifelong member of Vernon Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church where he served on the Steward Board, Lay Organization and sang in the Senior Adult Choir. Mr. Roland served as President of Richard Allen

Economic Development Corporation. Mr. Roland was employed as a Community Developer and worked as the Executive Director of the Flint Neighborhood Improvement Preservation Program better known as Flint NIPP. He also worked had a passion for community development and was currently the President/Chief Executive Officer of RPR Development Group, Inc. where his responsibilities included but was not limited to corporate activities such as consulting services for non-profit and profit entities, Residential and Commercial building and renovation from design to completion of construction. He assisted in securing funding through preparation of grant applications for non-profits and financial packaging for profit entities. He also worked with Dailey-Dolan East Neighborhood Organization, Inc. Mr. Roland also retired as an Insurance Agent with American United Life Insurance Company. Mr. Ronald P. Roland united in Holy Matrimony to Versie Roland and to this union was born one son.

He leaves to cherish his memory: son, Ronald P. Roland II; grandson, Ronald P. Roland III; brother, Leslie M. (Ladine) Roland; sister, Carolyn G. Roland (Kevin Smith); nieces and nephews, Rev C. Monique Turner, Tracy Harris, Rev. Autwan (Kimberly) Roland, Damani Moore, Bisharrah Roland, Mikal Roland and Mr. & Mrs. Brandon (Jennifer) Sanders; uncles, Lillard Gonzales, George Gonzales; aunt, Helen Gonzales; a host of other relatives and friends including the Roland, Brandon, Gonzales and Ross families and special friend, Ms. Tommie Jean Standokes.

Mr. Ronald P. Roland was preceded in death by parents, Mr. Isaiah and Mrs. Glenora G. Roland; grandparents, Y.D. (Lessie) Roland; brother, Eugene M. Roland; former wife, Gail Ann (Thomas) Roland; stepdaughter, Tania Thomas-Green; aunts, Helen Gonzales, Lillie Newton, June Ebererra, Erma Keith, Linda Gonzales, Ruby Smith and Elizabeth Ford; uncles; Mr. & Mrs. Oliver (Olivia) Roland, Mr. & Mrs. Max (Dezeray) Brandon, Mr. & Mrs. Edward (Marie) Bonner, J.B. Roland and George Ross.



# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

NOV **30**. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (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>

## Family Present

NOV **30**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## **Family hour**

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DEC 1. 10:00 AM (ET)

Vernon Chapel AME Church  
5802 Dupont St.  
Flint, MI

## **Service**

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DEC 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *To the Roland family: I am saddened to hear about Ronald's passing. You have my deepest sympathy and my prayers are with you. I just read of this sad news. May God give you all the peace you need at this time. Please try to remember, he has only gone Home to the Father so, don't tell him "bye" only say, "see you later." LaVerne Arther*



**LaVerne Arther** - December 18, 2014 at 09:46 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss and sorry I missed the services, just found out about this. You all have my love and my prayers. Stay prayed up.*

*Pam Chambers*

**PAMELA CHAMBERS** - December 12, 2014 at 11:34 PM



“ *Hardy & Yvonne Wafford sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.*



**Hardy & Yvonne Wafford** - December 05, 2014 at 10:21 PM

BR

“ *Mr.Ronald Phillip Roland Sr. I send my sincere condolences, I lit a candle in memory we go way back. Once my brother in-law always my brother in-law. My prayers are with you.*



Barbara Roland - December 01, 2014 at 09:43 AM

BR

“ *Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr. I send my sincere condolences, I light a candle in memory. We go way back. Once my brother in-law always my brother in-law. My prayers are with you.*



Barbara Roland - November 30, 2014 at 11:25 PM

BR

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Barbara Roland - November 30, 2014 at 11:01 PM

CB

“ *To the Roland Family, sorry for the passing of Ronald. I remember him during school days as a nice, pleasant, fun-loving guy. He will surely be missed. May God Bless you all and give you added strength during this time of bereavement. You have my prayers.*

*Cherry Simpson Brown & Family*

Cherry L. Brown - November 30, 2014 at 08:30 PM



“ *Frances Onehunitpercentpalmer sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.*



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**Frances Onehunitpercentpalmer** - November 30, 2014 at 05:30 PM



“ *Frances Onehunitpercentpalmer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.*



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**Frances Onehunitpercentpalmer** - November 30, 2014 at 05:30 PM



“ *Raleigh Richardson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.*



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**Raleigh Richardson** - November 28, 2014 at 12:10 PM



“ *Sharon Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.*



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**Sharon Patterson** - November 26, 2014 at 10:03 PM

LM

“ *LANITA MURRAY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.*



LANITA MURRAY - November 26, 2014 at 09:47 AM

JS

“ *To the family of Ronald I send my sincere condolences. He rest now in our God's memory but will not be forgotten. Psalms 83:18*

Joyce Simpson - November 25, 2014 at 06:03 AM

JS

“ *My condolences to Ron's family. I worked with him, when I first came to Flint. He was a great person. He will be missed by all who knew him. My prayers are with you.*

Jim Sargent - November 23, 2014 at 04:44 PM

EW

“ *Elaine Wells lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald Phillip Roland Sr.*



Elaine Wells - November 23, 2014 at 04:01 PM

ET

“ *Rest In Gods Arms\**

Ebony S. Thomas - November 23, 2014 at 07:07 AM

FC

“ *To the Family, Rev. 21:3,4 you all have our condolences and we will keep you all in our prayers.*

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**Farmon & Irma Childress** - November 22, 2014 at 05:36 AM