



Thelma Bates

August 4, 1931 - September 18, 2008

BATES, Mrs. Thelma - Age 77, passed away Thursday, September 18, 2008 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 10:30AM Friday, September 26, 2008 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11AM, Rev. James Beamon officiating. Interment Lovedale Memorial Cemetery, G-5175 Bristol Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 10:30AM Friday. Mrs. Bates will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed from 12Noon-8PM Thursday. Ms. Thelma "Mull" Bates was born July 4, 1931 in Marvel, Arkansas the daughter, of Mr. & Mrs. Corneilus & Mary (Luckado) Bates, she was a resident of Flint for over 51 years. She was a devoted Baker at Uncle Bob's Diner in downtown Flint for over 45 years. Thelma was a former member of St. Mark Baptist Church in Flint. She loved cooking and making others laugh. Ms. Thelma "Mull" Bates leaves to cherish her memory: daughters, Mrs. Lowenstine (Oliver) Burley, Mr. & Mrs. Willie (L.A.) Hairston and Mr. and Mrs. Brenda (Paul) Sharp all of Flint; 10 grandchildren, Anthony, Lois, Tonya, Vita, LaSonya, Demond, Tamara, Shmar, Jordan and special grandson, James; 20 great grandchildren; 1 great-great grandchild; brother, Mr. & Mrs. Larvester and Dorothy Bates of Flint; a host of nieces, including special niece, Jackie McMicheal; a host of nephews; sister-in-law, Mrs. Doretha Bates of Flint; a host of other relatives and friends including, special friends, Jenny Lee Horne and Ruby Johnson. Ms. Bates was preceded in death by her grandson, Matthew Hearn; parents, Cornelius

and Mary Bates; brother, W.T. Bates; sister, Loread McMichael; sister & brother-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Zerra (John) Knox; 2 aunts, Osprey Rouse and Loread Perry; 2 nephews, Johnny R. Knox and Anthony Bates. The Family would like to express special thanks to Rev. James Beamon and the Morning Glory Missionary Baptist Church family; Pastor Lewis Randolph and the Antioch Missionary Baptist Church family and Hurley's 4th Floor I.C.U. staff.

Tribute Wall



“ *Thelma Bates*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *I worked with Thelma at OSU Mother-Baby Unit. I remember her as a very caring and dedicated Nurse. She had the gentle and kind personality that made everyone comfortable. May you rest in peace, my friend.*

Noemi Moorhead - March 06, 2021 at 10:50 AM



“ *Im going to miss my aunt because she was someone special in our family.she was very close to my grandmother,and with them two up in heaven now i bet its gone be some good dressing and fried chicken going on.I HOPE they enjoy your homemade ice cream like we did. miss you and love you always. Love always Lee-Lee*

VELETA-HUDSON-SMITH - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My Famous Grandmother Thelma Bates or some of my family members called her mull was a beautiful kind hearted woman who gave love and support to those with her and around her. To Me she was a gracious and prideful woman who always was kind hearted and loving to her great grandkids and all of her kids, friends, and family. She Instilled great toughness, respect and love to all of her children especially my mother Brenda Hearn. I have never seen my mom cry or show weakness or fear and that is because of the beautiful mother that she had growing up. She always was nice to me and i wish that i could have been over her house more to see her. I love My Grandmother mull.*

Jordan Sharp - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Ms. Thelma Bates (Mull)*
She was a quiet and generous person, who loved her kids and grandkids. She had a heart of gold because I never seen her rare up or become emotionally untangled she always kept her composure. She use to sit in her recliner everyday and watch and listen to the emotions of the house. That made her day watching the excitement of the neighborhood on Chevrolet Ave. And she was a huge fan of the entertainment world of wwf wrestling.

Paul Sharp Jr - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM