



## Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes

January 28, 1956 - October 2, 2024

STOKES, Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" - Age 68, passed away Wednesday, October 2, 2024 at his residence. Family hour 1:30 PM Thursday, October 17, 2024 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with a memorial service commencing at 2:00 PM. Mr. Thomas Robert "Killowatt" Stokes was born January 28, 1956, in Flint, Michigan, the son of Alice Releford. He attended Flint Public Schools and graduated from Flint Northern High School. Thomas enlisted in the U.S Army, receiving recognition as a Sharpshooter. He was Honorably Discharged, returning home to begin employment at AC Spark Plug, a division of General Motors Corporation. Thomas made many friends while employed there and retired after more than 25 years. His last years of retirement was spent as a Benefit Representative, which he truly enjoyed.

Thomas spent many years as a CB handle enthusiast earning him the CB name "Killowatt". He was also one of the founding members of Third World Traveling Truckers (T.W.T.T), beginning in the late 70's. "Dr. Killowatt" and "Max", the banana yellow van, was a sight to see on the road.

Thomas was once an active member of Abundance Grace Church of the Nazarene under the leadership of Pastor Greg Cavette. He actively served as a helping hand around the church with whatever was needed. After the pandemic, he moved his membership to Mt. Hermon Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dr. K.B. Yarber.

"Killowatt" was truly an outdoor buff, spending lots of time hunting, fishing, and

camping. He loved gathering his family together for cookouts and was well known for his infamous pig roasts. "Kilowatt" never met a stranger. If you met him, you would never forget him.

Mr. Thomas Robert "Killowatt" Stokes leaves to cherish in memory: loving mother, Alice Releford; 3 children, Thomas Tieaccho Stokes of Seattle, WA, Thomas (Stephanie) Stokes of Statesville, NC, and Valencia Stokes of Flint, MI; grandchildren, Tieaccho Skinner, Shatieacco Stokes, Myonna Guise, Adriana Harrison, Jayden Pullom, Joshua Pullom, Kendall Pullom, and Thomas Stokes III; siblings, Patricia Stokes of Las Vegas, NV, Lenora (Daring) Wade, and Alicia Childs all of Flint, MI; aunt, Carolyn Brown of Toledo, OH; a host of close nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends including step-father, Arden Releford; special friends, Elliot "J.R" Drake, Kevin Brown, Stevie Rockmore, Lonzo "Claw" Clark, Tyrone "Wildflower" Carroll, Johnny Benton, Third World Traveling Trucker Brothers, Union Local #651 and so many more. Mr. Stokes was preceded in death by his son, Dion McGruder; mother, Alice Releford; grandparents, many other relatives, trucking brothers and close friends.

The family would like to extend sincere gratitude to Pastor Cavette and the Abundance Grace Church of the Nazarene family, Pastor Yarber and the Mt. Hermon Missionary Baptist Church family, and Christ Our Hope Church Family.

# Previous Events

## Family hour

OCT 17. 1:30 PM - 2:00 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>

## Memorial Service

OCT 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



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**Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home** - October 17, 2024 at 01:05 PM

TS

“ *sending prayers and condolences to the family, Killowatt was a very nice and happy fulfilled person we enjoyed our van travel s with him*



*TWTT he will truly be missed but not forgotten Walter Stinson and family aka Road Dog.*

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**Tunderaya Stinson** - October 20, 2024 at 02:41 PM

MH

“ We send our prayers and condolences to you, Valencia and your family in the passing of your father.  
We pray that God will give you peace and strength during your time of sorrow.  
Even though we know that God is the only one that knows how to comfort your hearts during this time; and He is the only one who can heal your pain and grief; It's always a blessing to have family, friends and loved ones who care and help support you and share in your grief.  
We love you  
God bless you

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**Mr. and Mrs. Hudson** - October 17, 2024 at 06:20 AM

TF

“ The Cardwell family lit a candle in memory of  
Thomas Stokes



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**The Cardwell family** - October 17, 2024 at 05:53 AM

TR

“ Lenora, Daring and family. Condolences for  
your lost. Blessings to the families.



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**The Ridgway's** - October 16, 2024 at 04:03 PM

CM

“ Charles Mckenzie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes



Charles Mckenzie - October 16, 2024 at 10:24 AM

DT

“ Darnell Drake from Smithville Tennessee purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes.



Darnell Drake from Smithville Tennessee - October 15, 2024 at 05:25 PM

KF

“ Kim,Arnez Carneygee and Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes.



Kim,Arnez Carneygee and Family - October 14, 2024 at 03:10 PM

EB

“ Sending prayers to the Stokes.

Eddie Ballard - October 13, 2024 at 11:01 PM

VA

“You’ll always be apart of me, I’m part of you indefinitely. Boy don’t you know you can’t escape me, oh darling cause you’ll always be my baby”  
-Thank You Daddy! ☐☐

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**Valencia** - October 12, 2024 at 06:04 AM

DD

“ Sending my condolences and prayers to the entire family



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**Denise Dixon-Weatherspoon** - October 11, 2024 at 09:48 PM

WJ

“ William Holden Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes



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**William Holden Jr** - October 11, 2024 at 02:27 PM

LA

“ My condolences to the family. Rest peacefully.

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**Latasha Anderson** - October 11, 2024 at 01:02 PM

VC

“ *My condolence rest in peace.*



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**Valarie Coulter** - October 10, 2024 at 07:49 AM

RM

“ *My condolences to the family.* 🙏🙏🙏



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**Robbin Moore** - October 10, 2024 at 02:04 AM

GR

“ *Genell (Crain) Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



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**Genell (Crain) Reeves** - October 09, 2024 at 07:30 PM

KT

“ *K. Turner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



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**K. Turner** - October 09, 2024 at 12:58 PM

DT

“ *Debby Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Kilowatt" Stokes*



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**Debby Taylor** - October 09, 2024 at 12:36 PM

CB

“ *Cassandra Burks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Kilowatt" Stokes*



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**Cassandra Burks** - October 09, 2024 at 11:33 AM

SM

“ *I worked with Kilowatt at AC. I always enjoyed working with him. His positive attitude was infectious, and I always admired that in him. My deepest sympathy for his family.*

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**steve merrill** - October 09, 2024 at 10:46 AM

ST

“ *Watt and I were good friends and coworkers. He always called me his Little Brother. Condolences to the family, RIP, my friend!*

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**Spanky Teachout** - October 08, 2024 at 08:38 PM



“ *T Marie Marshall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



T Marie Marshall - October 08, 2024 at 08:31 PM

GM

“ *Kilowatt was friend I knew from grade school and worked with for many years!😭 He always had my back when I was a Supervisor and I will never forget that! Rest in peace my brother from another until I see you again!👊❤️*

GARY MORSE - October 08, 2024 at 06:55 PM

GM

“ *GARY MORSE lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



GARY MORSE - October 08, 2024 at 06:50 PM

PR

“ *Patricia Roberts lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



Patricia Roberts - October 08, 2024 at 03:52 PM

CM

“ *I am going to miss you big brother. Marks and Heller families*



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**Cynthia Marks** - October 08, 2024 at 02:06 PM

TT

“ *Tony Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



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**Tony Taylor** - October 08, 2024 at 11:27 AM

KC

“ *Kim E. Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



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**Kim E. Carpenter** - October 08, 2024 at 09:02 AM

AH

“ *My condolences to the family*

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**Andrea Hollins** - October 08, 2024 at 08:51 AM

AH

“ *Andrea Hollins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



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**Andrea Hollins** - October 08, 2024 at 08:50 AM

TF

“ *Our prayers and sympathy the stokes family. We pray that God will give you the Strength it takes to get through your loss. Valencia we are so sorry about the passing of your Dad. We love you and pray that God will see you through this time.*



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**The Kidd Family** - October 07, 2024 at 10:28 PM

RJ

“ *For my Best Friend Vee & the rest of her family RIP Mr. Stokes*



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**Ronnie Jackson** - October 07, 2024 at 07:50 PM

SR

“ *Prayers and Condolences to the family From Sharone Robinson and Family 🙏🙏*

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**Sharone Robinson** - October 07, 2024 at 07:46 PM

JP

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of kilowatt.  
May God be with the family. Rest on my  
friend.



Jacqueline Porter - October 07, 2024 at 06:29 PM

AJ

“ Abby Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes



Abby Johnson - October 07, 2024 at 01:39 PM

SF

“ Sandy Neal And Family lit a candle in  
memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes



Sandy Neal and Family - October 07, 2024 at 09:50 AM

EB

“ Eddie Ballard lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes



Eddie Ballard - October 07, 2024 at 04:54 AM

KE

“ Met Thomas bka Killowatt around 1977 working at A.C. Spark plugs, boy oh boy was he a lot of fun, we were all young and full of energy, Killowatt would say whatever he thought and do whatever he wanted to do. Those were the best days. He was always ready to throw one of thee best house party's with plenty of food music and drinks. R.i.p. Watt



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**KAY EDMOND** - October 07, 2024 at 04:01 AM

BP

40 plus years of love and friendship. More (make my face hurt) laughs than I could ever count. You would introduce me to your friends as your brother. Your friends, particularly Flower, became my friends. When I'd stop by we'd always go visit "Mama" and we'd all cut up! Mama and her college football! Taking Plumb crazy down in the "hood" for some ribs, greens and cornbread. Meeting up with the boys on Friday nights for chicken and beer, man those were some fun nights! You always looked out for your "brother from a different mother" I could write a book about how people should get along based on our love and friendship for each other. I'm gonna miss you my brother. Give Heaven some hell! I'll see you again! Love you my brother. Brad (Hollywood) Parker

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**Brad (Hollywood) Parker** - October 14, 2024 at 10:51 AM

CH

“ charles[blue]hunter lit a candle in memory of Thomas Stokes



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**charles[blue]hunter** - October 05, 2024 at 06:39 PM

VM

“ Virginia McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Thomas Stokes



Virginia McDaniel - October 05, 2024 at 01:40 PM

OC

“ ORA CARTER lit a candle in memory of Thomas Stokes



ORA CARTER - October 05, 2024 at 12:44 PM

DD

“ Debra Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes



Debra Davis - October 04, 2024 at 03:19 PM

OC

“ Otis & Debra Cheatom lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes



Otis & Debra Cheatom - October 04, 2024 at 01:24 PM

JK

“ *Jesse Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas R. "Killowatt" Stokes*



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**Jesse Kirksey** - October 04, 2024 at 12:38 PM