



Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey

February 7, 1974 - December 5, 2013

WINFREY, Ms. Twyla C. - Age 39, passed away Thursday, December 5, 2013 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 11a.m. Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at Foss Avenue Baptist Church, 1159 E. Foss Ave., with funeral service at 12p.m. Pastor Reginald G. Flynn, officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11a.m. Tuesday. Ms. Winfrey will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 2p.m.-8p.m. Monday, with the family present from 4p.m.-8p.m.

Ms. Twyla Cheri Winfrey was born February 7, 1974 in Flint, Michigan to Charles and Shirley (Burton) Winfrey. At the young age of 10 months Twyla suffered a respiratory arrest that left her severely mentally impaired. While her disability may have hindered her physically, it did not hinder her ability to perform the only job she was assigned—to give love. Twyla radiated love wherever she went, and it was very hard for anyone to resist the warmth and affection that exuded from the depths of her heart. Despite her disability, Twyla loved life and lived to love and be loved. Nor did her disability diminish her self-esteem, which was reinforced by being told how beautiful and smart she was ten times a day by her parents and sisters. She couldn't speak, so she mastered the art of non-verbal communication. When she pointed her head towards a window, you knew it was time to take her on her favorite past-time, a long car ride with her parents. Twyla graduated from the Marion

Crouse program in 2001. She recently attended Cornerstone Westwood Heights. She became a member of Foss Avenue Baptist Church by a vote of the congregation in 1983.

Ms. Winfrey leaves to cherish in her memory: loving mother, Shirley Winfrey; father, Charles Winfrey; grandmother, Lizzie Winfrey; 2 sisters, Jerri Winfrey-Carter of Flint and Tracy (Richard)Edwards of Silver Spring, MD; 3 nieces, Jamilah Carter of Flint, Morganne and Jordann Edwards of Silver Spring, MD; 2 nephews, Rondell Carter, Jr. of Flint, and Aaron Edwards of Silver Spring, MD; 8 aunts, Exie Alexander, Mary Burton, Sherry Allen, Sheila Williams, Vickie George, Onita Turner, Sarah Winfrey, and Bonnie Cole, all of Flint; 5 uncles, Carl (Sandra) Winfrey, Alby (Barbara) Winfrey, David (Patricia) Burton and Grady Burton, all of Flint and Frank Winfrey of Toledo, OH; 2 great aunts, Minnie Grady of Indianapolis, IN and Cleo Burton of Flint; 4 great uncles, Curtis (Elizabeth) Grady, Hugh Grady, and Frank Randall all of Indianapolis, IN, Alvin Grady of Detroit, MI; Godmother, Betty Chapman of Flint; a host of other relatives and special cousin, Yvette Hill-Bennett of Phoenix, AZ, friends including caregivers, Diane Williams, Lula Williams, Jolonna Freeman, and Vonka Gordon, and many, many friends.

Ms. Winfrey was preceded in death by: grandparents, David and Leora Burton and John Winfrey; 2 aunts and 2 uncles.

The family would like to express special thanks to: special friends, Shirley Henderson, Fannie Norris, Mary Coleman, Gerri Wilburn, Woodrow and Reta Stanley, Home Care Nurse Debbie Slater, Dr. Paul and Teresa Musson, Dr. Geeta Rode, Hurley Medical Center CCU intensive care nurses, Pastor and Sis. Reginald G. Flynn and the Foss Avenue Baptist Church Family, and the "New" McCree Theatre Family.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC 9. 2:00 PM - 8:00 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

DEC 9. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Family hour

DEC **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Foss Ave. Baptist Church
1159 E. Foss Ave.
Flint, MI 48505

Celebration of Life Service

DEC **10**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ AL & LILLIAN COLLINS lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



AL & LILLIAN COLLINS - December 12, 2013 at 06:51 PM



“ Dear Winfrey Family and Friends,
I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one, and offer you my sincere condolences. Many have found comfort and hope in knowing that the Bible assures us: “Jehovah is close to the brokenhearted; He saves those who are crushed in spirit.” (Psalm 34:18) God’s holy spirit, or active force, can equip you with “power beyond what is normal” to go from one day to the next. (2 Corinthians 4:7) It is my sincere hope that this gives you a measure of solace in this most difficult time. My family wishes you and yours peace.

Lisa - December 11, 2013 at 11:03 AM

JW

“ *Janice Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey*



Janice Williams - December 10, 2013 at 08:37 AM

MK

“ *TO UNCLE CHARLES AND AUNT SHIRLEY
JUST REMEMBER GOD IS A GREAT GOD
AND HE MAKES NO MISTAKES SHE'S
RESTING IN HIS ARMS... LOVE YALL
MARILYN & DOREMUS KENNEDY*



MIN. DOREMUS M. KENNEDY - December 09, 2013 at 10:31 PM

MR

“ *Charles and Shirley, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I watched you care for Twyla over the years and know how dedicated you were to her and how much your entire family loved her. I will remember your entire family in my prayers and hope that you will find comfort in the knowledge that she is at peace and that you will see her again some day. Hold on to your memories as the days ahead of you will be tough.*

Marlene Ragland - December 09, 2013 at 08:16 PM

TR

“ *May the love of God keep you all and may you be strengthened by God's grace is our prayer. Pastor Terry Randolph and the Gethsemane MBC will be praying you.*

Terry Randolph - December 09, 2013 at 06:15 PM

AC

“ *I don't personally know you but I'm also the mother a blessed child. God gives these children to people with incredible strength. I know she's in heaven in perfect condition and watching over you. God bless you and your entire family.*

A parent of a special needs child - December 09, 2013 at 01:14 PM

AC

A parent of a special needs child

A parent of a special needs child - December 09, 2013 at 01:15 PM

TC

“ *The Velveettes Milly,Norma,Bertha,Cal C lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey*



The Velveettes Milly,Norma,Bertha,Cal C - December 09, 2013 at 12:49 PM

LB

“ *Lynn Barbee lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey*



Lynn Barbee - December 09, 2013 at 08:42 AM

JF

“ James And Delores Richardson And Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



James and Delores Richardson and Family - December 09, 2013 at 04:02 AM

LS

“ To The Winfrey Family - I am so sorry for your loss of Twyla. May God bless and keep you all. Your faith will carry you through this time of loss and sadness.

Lorene (Moore) Sorrells - December 08, 2013 at 09:38 PM

JE

“ We send our condolences to your family Mr. and Mrs. Edwards. God bless you all. Franklin family (friends of Tracy and Richard)

Jeannie - December 08, 2013 at 07:12 PM

LL

“ Liz & Lulu sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



Liz & Lulu - December 08, 2013 at 06:06 PM

LI

“ Dear Winfrey Family,

We pray the love of God enfolds you during this difficult time. May the peace that comes from the memories of Twyla's love comfort you now and in the days ahead.

Ps. 116:15 - Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

In His Peace & In His Glory,

Lucille "Lulu" Davis & Liz Collins

Liz - December 08, 2013 at 06:05 PM

DI

“ To the family of Twyla:

Remember the comfort from the scriptures found at Revelation 21: 3, 4. May God comfort you and wrap his arms around you.

Dianna - December 08, 2013 at 08:21 AM

SH

“ Sandy Hairston lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



Sandy Hairston - December 08, 2013 at 06:11 AM

TE

“ *Oh that I had wings like a dove! For then would I fly away and be at rest. Psalm 55:6 From James Young and The Young Family, with much Love from the Heart*



teresayoung - December 07, 2013 at 08:52 PM

TF

“ *The Eddie McGhee Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey*



The Eddie McGhee Family - December 07, 2013 at 08:24 PM

BK

“ *Shirley, you and your family are in my prayers. May God comfort you doing this trying times. Know that He loved her and He will be with you.*



Betty Knapp - December 07, 2013 at 05:03 PM

JM

“ *Jean Montgomery lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey*



Jean Montgomery - December 07, 2013 at 04:28 PM

RW

“ Rhonda White lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



Rhonda White - December 07, 2013 at 03:20 PM

DW

“ Dandre' & Freda Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



Dandre' & Freda Williams - December 07, 2013 at 11:57 AM

AB

“ Althea J. Barbee lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



Althea J. Barbee - December 07, 2013 at 10:16 AM

ET

“ My condolences to the family for the loss of Twyla. I did not know her personally but have suffered loss. I have been comforted by a scripture at Psalm 34:18. There it assures us that God is near to broken-hearted. I hope this comforts you also.

E Torres - December 07, 2013 at 08:23 AM

PL

“ I would like to send my condolences to the family. When someone we love dies its very painful. But the Bible talks about God doing away with pain at Rev 21:4. May the God of comfort provide solace to your family at this time.

Peggy Land - December 07, 2013 at 07:45 AM

MN

“ Monica Nelson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



Monica Nelson - December 07, 2013 at 02:44 AM

MN

“ Charles & Shirley, You have our condolences on the loss of your pecious daughter. My GOD be with you as mourn your loss. We pray & know that GOD will grant you strength as your going hrough this transition. We will keep you in our prayers. Blessed are they that mourn : for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4. From r. & Mrs. Leonard(Monica) Nelson *

Mr.& Ms.Leonard(Monica) Nelson - December 07, 2013 at 02:41 AM

LC

“ Loria Corder lit a candle in memory of Ms. Twyla C. Winfrey



Loria Corder - December 06, 2013 at 10:43 PM