



Mr. Walter Semo Childress

August 26, 1926 - August 27, 2020

CHILDRESS, Mr. Walter Semo - Age 94, passed away Thursday, August 27, 2020 at Woodland Park Assisted Living. Public Viewing Thursday, September 3, 2020 from 12:00 PM-6:00 PM at Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. Graveside service 11:00 AM Friday, September 4, 2020 at Gracelawn Community Cemetery, 5710 N. Saginaw St., Pastor Daniel Moore, officiating.

Mr. Walter "Semo" Childress was born August 26, 1926 in Sunflower, Mississippi, the son of Selena "Madea" Stringer Miller and Seymour Callahan Childress. Walter accepted Christ as his Savior at an early age. He graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in Memphis, TN. Walter was a member of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church where he served on the Deacon and Trustee Board, he also sang in the Choir. Walter married the love of his life, Bessie Mae Hudson and to this union the couple had 9 children. He retired from Buick Motor Company, a division of General Motors Corporation. Walter loved bowling, going to Church, spending time with his children and grandchildren. He also loved cracking jokes.

Mr. Walter "Semo" Childress leaves to cherish his memory: 13 children, Darla Singleton, Walter Evans Deadmon of Houston, TX, Everlena (Henry) Jones of Flint, Walter Childress Jr. of California, Marcellus Childress of Arlington, TX, Marsha Bell of Miami, FL, Doran (Nerissa) Childress of Flint, Janice (Stanley)

Riggs of Mansfield, TX, Ronald Childress of Arlington, TX, Patricia (Clay) Andrews of Tennessee, Darrick Jones of Detroit, MI, Antonio (Surretta) Childress of Flint, Kendra (Keith) Bell of Nashville, TN; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, cousins, other relatives and friends including special friends, Donna Childress (ex-wife), Roy (Clarissa) White and Porter Cooper.

Mr. Childress was preceded in death by his ex-wife, Bessie Childress; son, Henry Childress; mother, Selena "Madea" Miller; father, Seymour Callahan Childress; step-father, Henry Miller; aunt, Elizabeth Holly.

The family would like to express special thanks to Woodland Park Assisted Living, Dr. Daniel Moore and Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church family.

Cemetery Details

Gracelawn Cemetery

5710 N. Saginaw St.
Flint, MI 48505

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP 3. 12:00 PM - 6:00 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>

Graveside Service

SEP 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Gracelawn Cemetery
5710 N. Saginaw St.
Flint, MI 48505

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Walter Semo Childress*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Lit a candle for Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Rudolph Wheaton DDS,MPA - November 01, 2021 at 06:23 PM



“ *James & Sharon Owensby (Arizona) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



James & Sharon Owensby (Arizona) - September 21, 2020 at 05:09 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to the Childress family. May the many precious memories and love of family and friends comfort you during this time.*



Camilla McGee - September 09, 2020 at 11:03 PM

ST

“ Stephanie Tipton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



stephanie tipton - September 08, 2020 at 07:24 PM

KF

“ Gone but never will be forget



kathleen marthrel-jones and family - September 06, 2020 at 02:45 PM

KC

“ Kermit & Genell Crain-Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Kermit & Genell Crain-Reeves - September 05, 2020 at 08:46 PM

JP

“ Sorry for your loss. Much love to the family. Much Jackie -Lark Porter



Jacqueline R Porter - September 05, 2020 at 11:52 AM

ME

“ *Mildred-Holloway Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Mildred-Holloway Evans - September 05, 2020 at 08:56 AM

ME

“ *To the Childress Family, I didn't know your father but I know the love of a father and the pain and hurt in losing a father as well. I pray that the peace of God will provide comfort, strength and bind you closer as you endure the days ahead without Mr. Childress. You have my deepest sympathy and condolence and prayers. Be blessed*

Mildred-Holloway Evans - September 05, 2020 at 08:55 AM

TA

“ *Tonya Allen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Tonya Allen - September 05, 2020 at 01:37 AM

SC

“ *Shannon Clark lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Shannon Clark - September 04, 2020 at 11:42 PM

B(

“ Kendra and family, I am continuing to keep you all in my prayers...



Briana (Bri) - September 04, 2020 at 10:00 PM

LS

“ Larry Strong lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Larry Strong - September 04, 2020 at 06:05 PM

FR

“ Frances Robertson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Frances Robertson - September 04, 2020 at 05:47 PM

CH

“ Cynthia Higgins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Cynthia Higgins - September 04, 2020 at 03:32 PM



Antionette
Cool

“ *Antionette Cool sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Antionette Cool - September 04, 2020 at 08:38 AM

KS

“ *So sorry for your family loss Kay and Willie Shannon*



Kulada Shannon - September 04, 2020 at 06:11 AM

SM

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family. May God Bless you with peace and comfort.
God bless
Steve Moton*



Steve Moton - September 03, 2020 at 11:01 PM

AM

Thank you for showing up Steve Moton" Anthony Moten

Anthony Moten - September 04, 2020 at 03:16 PM

MM

“ *Mary McGee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Mary McGee - September 03, 2020 at 10:24 PM

AH

“ *Anthony And Carol Hill lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Anthony and Carol Hill - September 03, 2020 at 09:10 PM

BW

“ *Brenda Joyce Waits lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Brenda Joyce Waits - September 03, 2020 at 06:13 PM

PS

“ *PEGGY STRIBLING lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*




PEGGY STRIBLING - September 03, 2020 at 11:09 AM

MW

“ *Mr & Mrs Roderick Watkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Mr & Mrs Roderick Watkins - September 03, 2020 at 09:41 AM


Antionette
Cool

“ *Antionette Cool lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Antionette Cool - September 03, 2020 at 08:15 AM

LM

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter (Semo) Childress, to the entire family sorry for your loss y'all have my deepest sympathy and prayers remembering that God makes no mistakes sweeping may endure for a night but joy comes in the morning. R. I.P. gone but not forgotten. Linda Mayfield*



Linda Mayfield - September 03, 2020 at 12:11 AM

LM

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter (Semo) Childress, To the Childress Family y'all have my condolences and prayers sorry for your loss. Mrs. Martha Mays and Family*



Linda Mayfield - September 03, 2020 at 12:03 AM

DW

“ *Denise Wynne sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



denise wynne - September 02, 2020 at 11:59 PM

AC

“ *Aileen Credit-Louis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Aileen Credit-Louis - September 02, 2020 at 11:08 PM

CJ

“ *Colleen Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Colleen Jenkins - September 02, 2020 at 10:48 PM

DJ

“ My prayers and condolences goes out to the Childress family. I went to school with Marcellus and Walter from Dort Elementary to Northern High School. May God keep you all lifted at this time.



Sincerely,
Deborah Johnson & Family
Shreveport, LA

Deborah Johnson - September 02, 2020 at 10:32 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Walter Semo Childress.



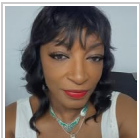
September 02, 2020 at 09:22 PM

DH

“ Dianne Handley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Dianne Handley - September 02, 2020 at 07:10 PM



“ So many memories of Semo and the Childress family, rest up Semo.
Love and prayers to the family _ Debra Poole-Morgan

Debra Morgan - September 02, 2020 at 05:50 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Walter Semo Childress.*



September 02, 2020 at 12:43 PM



“ *Aniska Craig lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Aniska Craig - September 02, 2020 at 11:56 AM



“ *To the family of Mr. walter Childress you have my deepest sympathy and prayers. Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted Matthew 5 : 4. Much love Monica Nelson and family*



Monica Nelson - September 02, 2020 at 10:58 AM



“ *Elitha Shumpert lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Elitha Shumpert - September 02, 2020 at 12:41 AM

KB

“ *Karen Bates lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



karen bates - September 02, 2020 at 12:35 AM

BS

“ *Condolences to the childness family you all are in our prayers
The Sims family Charles & Beatrice Sims*



Beatrice Sims - September 02, 2020 at 12:03 AM

SM

“ *Sandra Merriweather lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



sandra merriweather - September 01, 2020 at 11:53 PM

SM

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr Walter Semo Childress... May God bless the family!!!*



Shirley Miller-White - September 01, 2020 at 11:22 PM

CO

“ Colleen sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Colleen - September 01, 2020 at 10:53 PM

OL

“ GOD knew it was time well be miss by Ozell and Darlene lewis GOOD bless the family For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain phil1;21



Ozell LEWIS - September 01, 2020 at 09:38 PM

IL

“ Idamae & Terry Luckado lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Idamae & Terry Luckado - September 01, 2020 at 09:13 PM

BT

“ Betty Tipper lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Betty Tipper - September 01, 2020 at 06:57 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Walter Semo Childress.*



September 01, 2020 at 05:55 PM



“ *Linwood Peacock lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Linwood Peacock - September 01, 2020 at 05:51 PM



“ *Tennacle Mullins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Tennacle Mullins - September 01, 2020 at 04:43 PM



“ *Jerry & Cynthia Nard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Jerry & Cynthia Nard - September 01, 2020 at 04:32 PM



“ *There was never a full moment when bowling against him, he kept us laughing and also helped me get my game together. Praying for the family he will be missed*❤

LaQuella Williams - September 01, 2020 at 04:10 PM

HW

“ *Herbert And Linda Winfrey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Herbert and Linda Winfrey - September 01, 2020 at 03:51 PM

VW

“ *Sending Prayers and my heartfelt condolences to the Childress family.*



Valerie Jean Williams - September 01, 2020 at 02:59 PM

CB

“ *Mr. Childress was hilarious during my bowling time. He always had something to say that could make you laugh. May God keep the family and friends in his loving arms, in Jesus name I pray...CB*



Carolyn Brock - September 01, 2020 at 01:36 PM

KM

“ Sending condolences to the family of Mr. Semo lots of memories from Thacker st.? to the church.I PRAY for strength doing this time 🙏



Kathy Maynor-Moore - September 01, 2020 at 11:58 AM

PC

“ Pamela Chambers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Pamela Chambers - September 01, 2020 at 11:09 AM

PC

“ To the Childress Family,

My prayers are with all of you during this time. I knew Mr. Semo almost all my life from Gillespie Street as a child and he will truly be missed.. To the family, Marsha and Marcellus (my classmates), I love you and I am praying for you.

Pamela Chambers - September 01, 2020 at 11:08 AM

GG

“ My deepest condolences to the Childress Family. I have known Semo for many years and we had a lot of fun bowling together. He has been a great friend and will be truly missed he was one of a kind.

Gaynell Gould - September 01, 2020 at 09:50 AM

RW

“ Rudy And Geneva Ward lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Rudy and Geneva Ward - September 01, 2020 at 09:22 AM

HJ

“ Harlan Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Harlan Jackson - September 01, 2020 at 07:59 AM

EH

“ Sending nothing but love to the Childress family. We spent many wonderful years at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church. May god greet him with open arms. Rest In Heaven

Eric and Florenda Hall - August 31, 2020 at 09:56 PM

KD

“ Praying for my cousin, her mom, and their family during this time. May God comfort your hearts and give you strength
Love y'all!!



Keella Dukes - August 31, 2020 at 09:54 PM

LJ

“ *Lisa Johnson(lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Lisa Johnson(- August 31, 2020 at 08:36 PM

DB

“ *Diane White Burford sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Diane White Burford - August 31, 2020 at 07:50 PM

MH

“ *Min. Mary Haney lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Min. Mary Haney - August 31, 2020 at 06:48 PM

MP

“ *Mr. James Poindexter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Mr. James Poindexter - August 31, 2020 at 05:54 PM

TE

“ Tracy Elam lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Tracy Elam - August 31, 2020 at 04:32 PM

TJ

“ Tonya Jackson-Battle lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



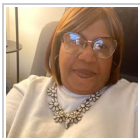
Tonya Jackson-Battle - August 31, 2020 at 01:06 PM

SP

“ Shirletta Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Shirletta Perkins - August 31, 2020 at 09:46 AM



“ Our family enjoyed many years of bowling with you Semo...never a dull moment with you around. Rest easy. "Give the ole man some"
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ReGina Adams - August 30, 2020 at 08:09 PM

CE

“ My condolences to the family, I am praying for you during this time of Semo passing. 🙏
Speedy



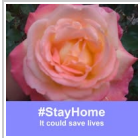
Clara Aguilar- Edwards - August 30, 2020 at 08:07 PM

RD

“ Lit a candle for Mr. Walter Semo Childress.



Rudolph Wheaton DDS,MPA - August 30, 2020 at 02:25 PM



“ Sending my heartfelt condolences to the Childress family.



Pauletta Epps - August 30, 2020 at 01:41 PM

SC

“ My prayers and condolences are with the Childress family. Walter will be missed. One of my bowling buddies. R.I.P. Gone but never forgotten.



Sandra Copeland - August 30, 2020 at 01:04 PM

DT

“ Dorothy (Keels) Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Dorothy (Keels) Thomas - August 30, 2020 at 01:26 AM

SW

“ Sherry Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Sherry Williams - August 29, 2020 at 03:32 PM

DS

“ Debora Stitt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Debora Stitt - August 29, 2020 at 01:45 PM

DM

“ My condolences to the family of Mr. Children's who I knew as c-mo, you were a good friend to my mom I can remember her bowling with you and her name was Deloris Moman.. (Mo' Money) RIP, Mr.Childress I know she is waiting
With care,
The Moman family

Dolorise Moman - August 29, 2020 at 12:07 AM

CA

“ *Camiya lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Camiya - August 28, 2020 at 10:47 PM



“ *Mary Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Mary Evans - August 28, 2020 at 09:32 PM

JR

“ *Jerome-Deborah Relerford lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Jerome-Deborah Relerford - August 28, 2020 at 05:52 PM

TJ

“ *Theresa Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress*



Theresa Jackson - August 28, 2020 at 05:16 PM

YT

“ Yvonne Tidwell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Yvonne Tidwell - August 28, 2020 at 01:08 PM

BW

“ BRIDGETTE WATKINS lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



BRIDGETTE WATKINS - August 28, 2020 at 12:47 PM

WS

“ Wanda Stitt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Wanda Stitt - August 28, 2020 at 09:38 AM

JK

“ Jesse Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Semo Childress



Jesse Kirksey - August 28, 2020 at 01:45 AM

CS

“ Going to miss you mister Childress taught me a lot you was one great man I enjoyed holding bowling with you just talking to you and being a friend



CLIFFTON SYKES - August 27, 2020 at 01:48 PM

RG

Rest in Heaven

Rose Green - August 28, 2020 at 09:36 PM