



## Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill

June 2, 1928 - November 20, 2016

HEMPHILL, Mrs. Willetta Jean - Age 88, passed away Sunday, November 20, 2016 at Henry Ford Hospital-West Bloomfield, MI. Family hour 10:30AM Saturday, November 26, 2016 at House of Prayer Missionary Baptist Church, 1851 W. Carpenter Rd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM Pastor Kenneth L. Stewart officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30 AM Saturday. Mrs. Hemphill will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM Friday.

Mrs. Willetta Jean (Harris) Hemphill was born June 2, 1928 in Gary, Indiana, the only child of Willie Harris and Charles Etta (Savage) Harris of Choctaw Native American and African Cultures from the Arkansas-Oklahoma areas. Willetta was baptized in Gary, IN at First Baptist Church. She graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1946 and attended Indiana University for a few semesters. Later she went to Secretarial School and worked at the Friendship House as a Secretary. Jean has been a resident of Flint, MI since 1950 when she married James L. Hemphill, Sr. They migrated to Flint to work at General Motors, where she was employed at Turnstedt/Fisher Body Coldwater Road, from January 1954 until her retirement in 1989. Jean enjoyed horticulture, always having exceedingly thick, green grass and beautiful flowers at her home. She also enjoyed cooking for family. "Mom was very generous and

giving to her family and friends."

Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill leaves to cherish her memory: three children, James L. Hemphill, Jr., Leonard R. (Gwen) Hemphill, all of Flint and Ms. Brenda J. Hemphill of West Bloomfield, MI; grandchildren, LaRonn (Tamika) Hemphill, Emil Hemphill, Khadijah (Abdul) West, Andre Stallings, Jamil (Deondra) Stallings, Tesah Hemphill, Karin Hemphill, Norrel Hemphill and Novee Pennyman-Hemphill; a host of great-grandchildren; cousins, Linda Daniels and Kay Stover, both of Indiana; special friends, Mrs. Kathryn Barnes, Mrs. Lula Philips, Mrs. Beverly Pitts, Mrs. Lilly Stallings, Mrs. Lucille Briggs and Mrs. Ella Lewis.

Mrs. Hemphill was preceded in death by her parents, Willie and Charles Etta Harris.

The family would like to express special thanks to: Joan Thompson, Pastor Isaiah and Mrs. Evie Jean Tilmon, Aquilla Kellar, Marvetria Houston and Dr. Michael Vincent.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

NOV **25**. 3:00 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 hour

NOV **26**. 10:30 AM (ET)

House of Prayer Missionary Baptist Church  
1851 W. Carpenter Rd.  
Flint, MI

## Service

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NOV **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Sharing thoughts and memories of you Mom on this Nov 8th 2021. You are very much missed and thought of daily. We love you so much. Rest on Mom. Penny Girl* 🥰💕



Pennymon - November 08, 2021 at 02:11 PM



“ *William S Miller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



william s miller - September 23, 2021 at 05:00 AM



“ *MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY, PEACE BE STILL.....JEAN RIDDLE JEFFERSON and FAMILY*



JEAN RIDDLE - December 01, 2016 at 12:21 AM

MB

“ *Monica Durrett Byrd lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



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**Monica Durrett Byrd** - November 29, 2016 at 09:59 PM

WH

“ *Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



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**Wanda Harrison** - November 29, 2016 at 01:36 PM

CC

“ *Clarence And Bettina Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



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**Clarence and Bettina Campbell** - November 28, 2016 at 05:47 PM

GE

“ *Gail P Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



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**Gail P Edwards** - November 26, 2016 at 02:08 PM

GE

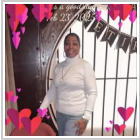
*To the Hemphill family, you are in my prayers and may you be blessed with your wonderful memories in the years to come.*

**Gail P Edwards** - November 26, 2016 at 02:09 PM

PR

*Condolences to the Hemphill family combined with prayer and love*

**Patricia Rouser** - April 17, 2017 at 01:52 AM



“ *My Deepest Condolences to the Hemphill family, may you find comfort and peace at this time of grieving.  
God bless you all  
Love  
Tracy Blake & Family*



**Tracy Blake** - November 25, 2016 at 11:50 PM

CO

“ *Corinne lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



**Corinne** - November 25, 2016 at 10:35 PM

LM

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hemphill!!! From the Mayfield Family*



**Linda Mayfield** - November 25, 2016 at 07:50 PM

SF

“ *Sandy Neal And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



Sandy Neal and Family - November 25, 2016 at 11:36 AM

SF

“ *Sandy Neal And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



Sandy Neal and Family - November 25, 2016 at 11:35 AM

AH

“ *Anthony And Carol Hill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



Anthony and Carol Hill - November 23, 2016 at 08:22 PM

DD

“ *Deborah Dantzler-Harris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Willetta Jean Hemphill*



Deborah Dantzler-Harris - November 23, 2016 at 12:52 PM

AW

“ *MAY GOD LEAD YOUR HEALINGS  
MIKE....OUR PRAYERS GO OUT TO THE  
HEMPHILL FAMILY.  
LOVE THE MILLER FAMILY!  
FRANCES, TOEJOE, ANN AND BRENT*



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**Angela L Whaley** - November 22, 2016 at 11:01 AM