



Mr. Willie "Sonny" Couch

December 27, 1934 - April 4, 2013

COUCH, Mr. Willie F. "Sonny" - age 78, passed away Thursday, April 4, 2013 at his residence. Family hour 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 13, 2013 at Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 2109 M.L. King Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11:30 a.m. Pastor Rodney Ellison officiating. Interment Lovedale Memorial Cemetery, G-5175 E. Bristol Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Church 11:00 a.m. Saturday. Mr. Couch will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12 noon-8 p.m. Friday.

Mr. Willie F. "Sonny" Couch was born December 27, 1934 in Oxford, Mississippi, the son of Etta Couch. Willie attended Public Schools in Mississippi. He was a faithful and dedicated member of Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, where he sang in the Male Chorus. Mr. Couch was gainfully employed at Chevrolet "Chevy in Hole", retiring after 31 years of service and was a member of UAW Local 659. His punctuality was superb as he was never late or missed a day. Willie married the love of his life, his beloved wife, Linnie Conerly. God blessed them to share 46 wonderful years together before she passed away August 2010. Through this bless union he met Neva, whom he loved and adored. Willie was best known for his unique laugh and he cherished time spent with his family. In his spare time he enjoyed hunting, fishing, listening to music, eating and cooking Barbeque with his son-in-law, Jimmy Johnson. He also enjoyed watching his favorite T.V. show, "Wheel of

Fortune." One of the moments he most cherished was giving his daughter, Cherrie's hand in marriage to Lonnie Dowdell in May 2012.

Mr. Willie F. Couch leaves to cherish his memory: 2 daughters, Dr. Cherrie (Lonnie) Couch-Dowdell of Washington, DC and Neva (Jimmy) Johnson of Flint; grandchildren, Dominique Couch of Grand Rapids, MI, Marcola Powell (Precious Boone) and James Johnson II (Jennifer Manning); great-grandchildren, Mariyah, Layla, Jordyn, Jenniya and Miya, all of Flint; 3 aunts, Carry Brannon, Mattie Thompson, both of Oxford, MS and Rossie Harden of Grand Rapids, MI; 3 sisters-in-law, Mary (Bertail) Vernon of Seaside, CA and Alice Britt of Flint; 2 brothers-in-law, Moses Conerly and Frank (Renee) Conerly, all of Flint; a host of other relatives and friends.

Mr. Couch was preceded in death by his wife of 46 years, Linnie Couch; son, Tony Couch; mother, Etta Couch; brother, Bojack Couch; sister, Arlene Myles; 3 aunts; and 1 uncle.

The family would like to express special thanks to caregiver, Jasmine Redwine, Nurse Toni, Nurse Moon, Hurley ICU nurses and Pastor Rodney Ellison and the Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church family.

Cemetery Details

Lovedale Memorial Cemetery

G-5175 E. Bristol Rd.
Burton, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **12**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 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>

Family hour

APR **13**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
2109 M.L. King Ave.
Flint, MI

Service

APR 13. 11:30 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
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Flint, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Willie "Sonny" Couch*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Barbara (McFarland)Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie "Sonny" Couch*



Barbara (McFarland)Brown - April 13, 2013 at 04:14 PM



Neva, our deepest condolences to you & family . We too just wks ago lost Gwen/her husband's son thru sudden illness @ 31 yrs old & are struggling very hard. Gwen/Mike/I send our love. Many happy memories of you/Miss Linnie/Mr. Couch. If you need ANYTHING, please send fb req .I'll inbox my ph#. Remember Thru Christ, ALL things are possible.

Barb McFarland Brown - April 23, 2013 at 10:34 PM



“ *Dear Family, please know that we are praying for you all. Although we are unable to be with you today, our hearts are there. We love you!*

Alice Coney Player - April 13, 2013 at 09:53 AM



“ *My prayers are with you Neva and family...*

Damonde and Melissa

friend of the family - April 13, 2013 at 08:07 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Willie "Sonny" Couch.*



April 11, 2013 at 09:35 PM



“ *Cherrie, William and I have you in our prayers. I am so glad I got meet your Father at you wedding, one of the best memories you will ever have of him. Love you forever!!*
Pat & William Tate

Pat & William Tate - April 11, 2013 at 03:06 PM



“ *Carol lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie "Sonny" Couch*



Carol - April 10, 2013 at 08:48 PM



“ *Neva, we are so sorry for the loss of your dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the entire Couch family. If you are in need of anything, you know we are here for you. Rest assured, you are covered with love, prayers, hugs and kisses.*
Your sister, Pat & family.

Pat - April 10, 2013 at 06:38 AM

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“ *Cammie Woodson (niece) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie "Sonny" Couch*



Cammie Woodson (niece) - April 09, 2013 at 07:38 PM

MB

“ *Cherrie, we wish to extend our sincere condolences, thoughts and prayers during this time of bereavement. We are so sorry for your loss. Please let us know if there is anything we can do? Love to you and your family.*

Monique, Dorothy, and L.C. Browning - April 09, 2013 at 12:41 PM

DB

Condolences from my mom also (Dorothy Browning)

Dorothy Browning - April 09, 2013 at 12:43 PM

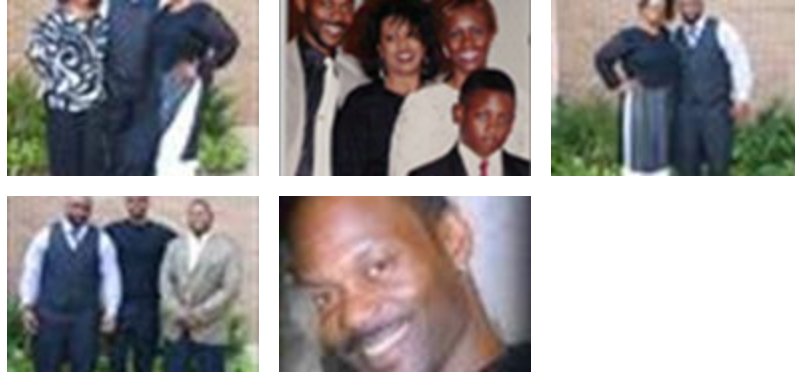
VT

“ *Cherrie, sorry to hear about the loss of your father. He is gone from the earth but will remain in the legacy and spirit of you his beautiful daughter. Valerie & Dadisi Trower, Trenton, New Jersey*

Valerie Trower - April 08, 2013 at 12:59 PM

DC

“Dad no more pain. I know that God has another Angel for His garden. R.I.P your daughter Cherrie Couch-Dowdell



Dr Cherrie R Couch-Dowdell - April 08, 2013 at 08:14 AM

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“Dear Couch Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is fresh even with the passage of time. Thankfully, I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress.
(Psalms83:18,Psalms65:2) Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again.(Isaiah 25:8) My family and I wish you and yours peace.(Phillipians4:7)

Lisa - April 06, 2013 at 09:39 AM

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“ *With Deep Sympathy to the Couch Family.
Psalm 46:1...encourages God is for us a refuge
and strength, a help that is readily to be found
during difficult times. It is my hope that your
family feel the comfort of these words. And may
the memories you have become pictures in
your heart.*



Ann H. - April 06, 2013 at 07:50 AM