



Mr. Willie Earl Hill

June 1, 1954 - March 7, 2026

HILL, Mr. Willie Earl -Age 71 passed away Saturday March 7, 2026, at McLaren-Flint. Family Hour 10:00 AM Saturday, March 21, 2026, at Joy Tabernacle 2505 N. Chevrolet Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM, Pastor Robert McCathern, officiating. Interment Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, G-9506 N. Dort Hwy., Mt. Morris, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Church 10:00 AM Saturday. Mr. Hill will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. and may be viewed from 12:00 PM-6:00 PM Friday.

Deacon Willie E. Hill, age 71, peacefully transitioned from this life on March 7, 2026, in Flint, Michigan.

Willie was born on June 1, 1954, in Hinds County, Mississippi, to his loving parents Frances (née Thomas) Hill and Hubert Hill. From an early age, Willie carried a quiet strength, a deep love for family, and a heart rooted in faith. Flint became the place where he built a meaningful life filled with service, dedication, and lasting relationships.

Willie pursued his education at Ferris State University, earning a degree in Criminal Justice, which helped shape the path of his long and honorable career. For 47 years, he faithfully served the State of Michigan, working within the juvenile and correctional system. Through the years, he became known as a steady presence and a man who believed in guiding others toward better

paths. After nearly five decades of service, Willie proudly retired in October 2025, leaving behind a remarkable legacy of dedication and commitment. Faith played a central role in Willie's life. Over the last ten years.

Willie intentionally grew closer to God, deepening his personal relationship with Him and allowing his faith to guide his life in a more meaningful way. His journey reflected the belief that faith is not only something we inherit, but something we continually learn, grow in, and draw strength from. Those who knew Willie witnessed how his walk with God evolved, shaping the man he became in his later years. As his relationship with God matured, Willie felt called to serve more deeply within his church community. In August 2025, he was ordained and began serving as a Deacon at Joy Tabernacle Church, embracing the role with humility, dedication, and a servant's heart. Outside of work and church, Willie enjoyed life's simple pleasures. He loved traveling, visiting the casino, and collecting photographs of family and friends, making sure special memories were captured and preserved. He also had a deep love for music, especially jazz, often enjoying the timeless sounds that brought him peace and joy. Willie was also a loyal and passionate Michigan State University fan, proudly cheering on the Spartans.

In the 1980s, Willie married Pamela Howard, and from that union two children were born, Curtis Hill and Chartyra Hill. Although their marriage later concluded, Willie and Pamela maintained a respectful and supportive relationship as they raised their children together.

In the late 1990s, Willie met Joanne Franklin, and the two built a loving partnership that blossomed into marriage in 2000. They remained devoted to one another until Joanne's passing in 2021, sharing many years of companionship, support, and cherished memories together.

Family meant everything to Willie. He leaves to cherish his loving memory: children, Curtis (Tynise) Hill and Chartyra Hill. He also leaves behind bonus children, Kito Leslie and Kershawn Pritchett, and step-daughter-in-law Tracy Pippins.

Willie was a proud “Paw-Paw” to grandson, Gabriel Bond, and he also eagerly looked forward to the arrival of Baby Hill, expected in April 2026, a blessing he spoke about with great joy. Granddaughters, Heaven Johnson, Soraya, Ava and Queen Pippins. Willie is also survived by his four sisters, Patricia Brazil, Darlene Churchwell, Sharon Conley, and Quintina Conley-Sweet; brother, Edward (Betty Joyce) Hill; 2 brothers-in-law, Howard and Tyrone Franklin; along with a host of nieces, nephews, extended family members, and dear friends. Willie shared a special bond with his cousins, Diane and Tekisha McGowan; nephew, Jewrel (Kandis) Hill; and leaves behind special friends, Ronald (Danita) Pikes and Tyrone Popular.

Cemetery Details

Flint Memorial Park Cemetery

G-9506 N. Dort Hwy.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 20. 12:00 PM - 6:00 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

MAR 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Joy Tabernacle
2505 N. Chevrolet Ave.
Flint,, MI

Funeral Service

MAR 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Joy Tabernacle
2505 N. Chevrolet Ave.
Flint,, MI

Tribute Wall

TP

“ *Tisha Payton lit a candle in memory of Willie Hill*



Tisha Payton - March 27 at 12:14 PM

DE

“ *Debra Evans sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Hill*



Debra Evans - March 27 at 12:52 AM

AT

“ *Adriane Turner lit a candle in memory of Willie Hill*



Adriane Turner - March 19 at 11:58 PM

DM

“ *Deborah McClain-Dickerson purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mr. Willie Earl Hill.*



Deborah McClain-Dickerson - March 19 at 08:01 PM

TC

“ My condolences to the Hill family from Tawanya Croom and Maxine Stapleton we will keep you in our prayers 🙏



Tawanya Croom - March 19 at 07:45 PM

KM

“ Praying for "The Hill Family" Mr. Willie was a good neighbor for many years. May he rest in peace.



Kuwanna Mack - March 15 at 11:40 PM

PB

“ 1 file added to the album Willie's



Pat Brazil - March 15 at 07:56 PM

JM

“ Jackie Mills lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Hill



Jackie Mills - March 14 at 01:36 PM

AD

“ I spent 100s of hours sitting with Mr. Hill at work when I was a young man. He taught me a lot and was a fantastic mentor. I always tried to make it a point to make him laugh if i could. A great man full of wisdom. Sending love and prayers from the DeLaRosa Family. I will not forget you.

Alonso S DeLaRosa - March 14 at 01:05 PM

WF

“ Woodard Family lit a candle in memory of Willie Hill



Woodard Family - March 13 at 06:15 PM

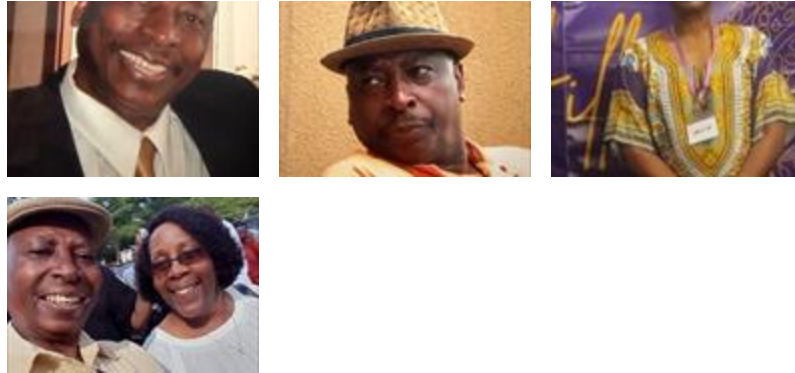
JH

“ Sending prayers of comfort and love to our bereaved family in Michigan. May you draw strength from God's word in Psalm 34:18: “The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.” - Cousin J. Latrice Hill & the family of the late James W. Hill, Sr. (Sonny Man).

JL Hill - March 13 at 02:23 PM

PB

“ 4 files added to the album Willie's



Patricia Brazil - March 12 at 05:40 PM

MC

“ Condolences to the family of Mr. Hill. It's been more than a decade since I've seen him, but I have permanent memories of him being a great supervisor. He was kind and empathetic and advocated for me regarding time off after my father died. Rest in Heaven, Mr. Hill.



Mia Cain - March 12 at 09:12 AM

TC

“ Tommie Chaney lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Hill



Tommie Chaney - March 11 at 10:45 PM

MA

“ *My sincere condolences to the Hill family*



Mr&Mrs James August - March 10 at 08:07 PM

RW

“ *Rudy And Geneva Ward lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Hill*



Rudy and Geneva Ward - March 10 at 07:59 PM

LL

“ *So sorry to hear of Willie's passing
Praying for you guys.*

Lisa Lee - March 10 at 03:58 PM

EP

“ *Elverna Ponder lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Willie Earl Hill*



Elverna Ponder - March 10 at 03:05 PM

JA

“ *Mr. Willie we're going to miss you. My dad really will miss the visits and friendship. Man gone too soon. You were so kind. I pray you and Mrs. Joanne are reunited.*



June Armstrong - March 09 at 08:32 PM