



Eld. Zeke R. Watkins

September 27, 1932 - April 9, 2014

WATKINS, Eld. Zeke R. - age 81, passed away Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at his residence. Family hour 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 18, 2014 at Adams Memorial C.O.G.I.C., G-5230 Detroit St., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Rev. Derrick Watkins officiating, Supt. Victor B. Adams, Sr. Host Pastor. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30 a.m. Friday. Eld. Watkins 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. Thursday with family present from -6-8 p.m.

Zeke Ronald Watkins, age 81, was born in Muskogee, Oklahoma on September 27, 1932, to the union of Booker T. and Ora C. (Davis) Watkins. His mother later remarried Sigmon Porter and relocated the family to Kansas City, Kansas in 1942. He graduated from Sumner High School, "Class of 1952." Elder Watkins was drafted into the United States Army in 1952 and received an honorable discharge in 1954. He moved to Flint, MI and received Christ in 1955 at Pilgrim Temple COGIC. Elder Watkins was joined in holy matrimony to Rosie Mae Wade on December 23, 1956. He was employed with General Motors for 36.5 years. On October 23, 1983, he received his Minister's License and later became Elder Zeke Watkins. Elder Watkins served as Sunday School Superintendent, President of Young People Willing Workers (YPWW), Sunday School Teacher, and Janitor at Adams Memorial

COGIC.

Elder Zeke Ronald Watkins leaves to cherish his memory: devoted wife of 57 years, Rosie Mae Watkins of Mt. Morris; sons, Ronnie (Barbara) Wolfskill of Kansas City, MO, Ventoure Watkins of Tampa, FL, and Reverend Derrick (Christine) Watkins of Flint, MI; daughters, Markeeta Watts of Piscataway, NJ, Felita (Frank) Jones of Mt. Morris, MI, Vennette (Charles) Lott and Veronica (Calvin) Johnson, all of Flint.

Elder Zeke Ronald Watkins was preceded in death by: father, Booker T. Watkins, Sr.; Mother, Ora C. (Davis) Porter; stepfather, Sigmon Porter; sisters, Nanette Charles Hernandez and Betty Jack Criss; and daughter, Rhonda M. Clarke.

The family would like to express special thanks to his personal CNAs; Tamika, Darlene, Reagan Riggs, and Chiquita Tinker, McLaren Nurses, Kelly of ICU and Jaina of Hospice, and the family members for their care and compassion.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR 17. 12:00 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

APR 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Family hour

APR 18. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Service

APR 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Eld. Zeke R. Watkins*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *I love and miss my Papa. I know you're in better place, but it still hurts sometimes.*
Toya

michelle - September 09, 2016 at 08:17 PM



“ *Carolyn Harris &Family lit a candle in memory of Eld. Zeke R. Watkins*



Carolyn Harris &Family - April 18, 2014 at 09:29 PM



“ *To the Watkins family,*
I hold many memories of my childhood. I remember that reddish camper Derrick, Veronica, other kids on the block, and myself used to play in. I remember him always talking about Oklahoma. I regret not being able to make it there to help celebrate your life. Mr. Watkins, you are gone now but never forgotten.

Michael powell - April 18, 2014 at 07:43 PM

TW

“ *May you find comfort, healing and understanding...The Watkins family. Sincerly Tameitha Williams*

Tameitha Williams - April 18, 2014 at 07:42 PM

DQ

“ *Deacon Bill R. & Sis. Ruthy M. Quarles lit a candle in memory of Eld. Zeke R. Watkins*



Deacon Bill R. & Sis. Ruthy M. Quarles - April 16, 2014 at 06:41 PM

LF

“ *Lisa Fields lit a candle in memory of Eld. Zeke R. Watkins*



Lisa Fields - April 16, 2014 at 01:46 PM

LF

To the family, may the Lord comfort and keep you.

Lisa Fields - April 16, 2014 at 01:47 PM

YJ

“ *To our family may the LORD comfort you and give you peace. Horace and Yolanda Johnson.*



Yolanda Johnson - April 16, 2014 at 11:19 AM

LM

“ LANITA MURRAY lit a candle in memory of
Eld. Zeke R. Watkins



LANITA MURRAY - April 15, 2014 at 06:03 PM

EC

“ To the Watkins family..my prayers are with you at this time.Elder
was a fine man. And will be missed.much love to you all.
Earley Collins

Earley Collins - April 15, 2014 at 02:53 PM

SJ

“ Sister Catherine Jones lit a candle in memory
of Eld. Zeke R. Watkins



Sister Catherine Jones - April 14, 2014 at 10:58 PM

SJ

Reverend Derrick Watkins, Vennette and the entire Watkins Family, My
prayer;
For God to continue to give you the strength to climb every mountain
and to give you peace and comfort.

Sister Catherine Jones - April 14, 2014 at 11:07 PM

RW

“ Ron Ron, Amy & Brooklyn Wolfskill purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Eld. Zeke R. Watkins.



Ron Ron, Amy & Brooklyn Wolfskill - April 14, 2014 at 08:57 PM

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“ Prayers to Veronica, Derrick and the entire Watkins and Adams family

Trina (Moss)Gates - April 14, 2014 at 08:30 AM

SA

“ To the Family of Zeke R. Watkins, During this time of difficulty, please consider the finest basis of encouragement, God's Word the Bible. Within its pages you will find many comforting thoughts. The scripture at Psalms 146:5,9 assures us that God has loving concern for bereaved ones. Therefore, please know that God can and will provide comfort to us in time of need. My condolences are with the Watkins Family.

Sandra - April 13, 2014 at 07:42 AM

AF

“ Angel Smith- Evans And Family lit a candle in memory of Eld. Zeke R. Watkins



Angel Smith- Evans and Family - April 11, 2014 at 10:06 PM

MC

“ *Maudie Coley lit a candle in memory of Eld. Zeke R. Watkins*



Maudie Coley - April 11, 2014 at 06:06 PM

AR

“ *I share in a work that is being done in more then 235 lands. Part of our work is to comfort those who mourn. I am very sorry for your loss, but you may find this to be a very encouraging thought in John 5:28,29 which says, "For the hour is coming in which all those in memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out." Jesus was referring "come out" as assurance that he will resurrect a number of people from the dead. The overall reason of this service is to bring better understanding of why die. If you have any questions please feel free to visit our website at: www.jw.org*

Aristotle - April 11, 2014 at 10:07 AM

ET

“ *My condolences to the Watkins family. During difficult times I look to Gods word the Bible for comfort. Psalm 34:18 assures us that God is near to those who are broken hearted. I hope this comforts you also.*

E Torres - April 11, 2014 at 08:37 AM

SP

“ *Sheryl Payton lit a candle in memory of Eld. Zeke R. Watkins*



Sheryl Payton - April 10, 2014 at 11:59 PM



“ *TO ALL OF THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS, I SEND MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY!!!!!!!*

RE-NAYE SANDERS - April 10, 2014 at 07:56 PM

DP

“ *To the Watkins family. You all are just our family. God is going to see you through, weeping may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning. Be encouraged and were praying for you. Eld Robert and Dicy Powell and the entire Powell family*

Dicy Powell - April 09, 2014 at 08:42 PM