



Mother Dorothy J. "Mickey" Chatman

August 14, 1938 - November 24, 2013

CHATMAN, Mother Dorothy J. "Mickey" - Age 75, passed away Sunday November 24, 2013 at McLaren Oakland. Family hour 10:30AM Friday November 29, 2013 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 512 Pearsall Ave., with funeral service commencing immediately at 11AM. Pastor Terrance J. Gowdy, officiating. Interment Perry Mount Park Cemetery, 878 N. Perry St. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30AM Friday. Mother Chatman will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 N. Perry St., and may be viewed from 1-8PM Wednesday.

Mother Dorothy "Mickey" Chatman was born on August 15, 1938 in Memphis, Tennessee to the late Charlene Hill and Alvin Gibson. She was married to the late Willie Lee Chatman for over 53 blissful years. She gave her life to Christ at an early age. Mother Dorothy was a long standing member at Macedonia Baptist Church where she served on Kitchen Ministry and the Missionary Board.

She graduated from Stigall High School in 1958 located in Humboldt, Tennessee. After she graduated, she moved to Pontiac, Michigan, where she met the love of her life, Willie Lee Chatman. She was gainfully employed at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital for over 15 years. Dorothy was a biological mother to three children, but a mother to many children and adults in her community. She truly believed that it took a village to raise a child; she would open her

home to many.

Dorothy was a member of the “Jazzy Ladies” Red Hatters organization. While a member, she served as a Treasurer. She was also a member of the “Golden Girls Club” with some of her very close friends. The clubs mentioned allowed Dorothy to live her life to the fullest until her departure to live with her heavenly father.

Mother Chatman leaves to cherish her memory; daughters, Teresa (Teddy, Sr.) Howard and Paulette (Paul) Hardman; grandchildren, Tianna Chatman, Shameca Mahone, Latasha Hairston, Jalyn and Caleb Hardman, Michelle Phillips, Samoan Hunter and Teddy Howard, Jr.; siblings, Vivian Hill, Darlene Hill, Fred Hill and Ray Hill; host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Mother Chatman was preceded in death by her son, Michael Chatman; husband, Willie Lee Chatman; siblings Helen Allen and Edward Hill.

Cemetery Details

Perry Mount Park Cemetery

878 N. Perry St.
Pontiac, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 27. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Pontiac
268 North Perry Street
Pontiac, MI 48342
(248) 758-1913

Service

NOV 29. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
512 Pearsall Ave.
Pontiac, MI

Tribute Wall

DB

“ To the entire Chatman family my heart and sympathy to each of you. Mother Chatman will truly be missed each and every day. Whenever I saw or talked to her, she had uplifting, sassy and encouraging words for the situation. She brought many smiles to all that knew her. The joy of living the life that God promised us is the reward that we get when he calls us home. Her reward is finally in her life of peace, joy, no more pain just everlasting rejoicing. Look to God for strength and understanding in the coming days.



God Bless You All.

Deborah A. Benton

Deborah A. Benton - November 29, 2013 at 08:12 AM

VW

“ To The Chatman Family
We send our condolences to all of you on the passing of your love one Ms Mickey. Many memories of laughter will remain in our hearts always and she never pulled punches either.
;) Praying your strength of endurance during this time.



Veneta Williams & Paige Wilson

V Williams - November 28, 2013 at 06:04 PM

HJ

“ Greetings and Peace:

Dear Cousin Paulette, Teresa, and the entire Chatman-Hill family!

We are so sorry to hear the news about your mother. Our condolences, thoughts and prayers are with you.

God Bless,

The National Currie-Gray Clan



Homer F. Chatman, Jr. - November 28, 2013 at 12:22 PM

BB

“ *Praying that the peace of God will sustain you.*



Brian Blosser - November 27, 2013 at 11:05 PM

MG

“ *To Paula and Theresa I'm so very sorry for you loss and trust me i have been in your seat both time with the loss of the mother and father but no that God will give you the strength you need to carry on, and he is the only one that can give you the real peace and comfort that you need in this time of loss so i truly know that pain and hurt the both of you feel but God is truly able and my prayer and truly with you and the family.*

Mrs. Griffin



Mrs. Griffin - November 27, 2013 at 04:09 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mother Dorothy J. "Mickey" Chatman.*



November 27, 2013 at 11:57 AM



“ *Mr. and Mrs. Chatman were like my parents. I have known them since the 1970's and would like to personally thank them for all the love and support through the years. Mrs. Chatman was always fun loving and very spirited regarding life and ceasing every opportunity presented in life. She was very candid and always spoke her mind. I will truly miss her smile, love and support. My condolences go out to the entire family during this difficult time. May God bring each of you peace as it is never easy to deal with the loss of a loved one, yet alone two so close together. Mickey RIP.*

Love,

Chris Redmond

Chris Redmond - November 27, 2013 at 11:50 AM

SI

“ I met Mr. & Mrs. Chatman this year. From the first time I spoke with Mrs. Chatman I felt an instant connection. She was very warm and loving. After Mr. Chatman passed she came back to visit me. She told the front desk that "My Grandmother was Here". I went out and there she was. I gave her the biggest hug. One thing that we spoke about was how good God is and our faith. So I am very sad to learn of her passing. But I know that she is in a better place with her husband. My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this most difficult time.



~Simone~

Simone - November 25, 2013 at 03:56 PM

TF

“ The Smith Family lit a candle in memory of Mother Dorothy J. "Mickey" Chatman



the smith family - November 25, 2013 at 04:45 AM

DK

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Dorothy "Jean" Kennedy - November 24, 2013 at 08:04 PM



Picture taken of Dorothy Chatman at Macedonia Baptist Church

Dorothy Kennedy-Neeley - November 24, 2013 at 08:09 PM

DK

“ So sad to hear about Dorothy, my girl. We had so much fun. she was so nice and happy all the time. I would always tease her about how sharp she was... I would say "Girl you know you wearing that hat " and she would just smile. I am going to miss her. As we grieve her passing Heaven is rejoicing another angel coming home. To her family and friends may the precious memories you share with her sustain you until we all meet again. R I P Dorothy

Dorothy "Jean" Kennedy - November 24, 2013 at 08:02 PM

LI

“ Dear Chatman Family and Friends,
I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one, and offer you my sincere condolences. Many have found comfort and hope in knowing that the Bible assures us: “Jehovah is close to the brokenhearted; He saves those who are crushed in spirit.” (Psalm 34:18) God’s holy spirit, or active force, can equip you with “power beyond what is normal” to go from one day to the next.(2 Corinthians 4:7) It is my sincere hope that this gives you a measure of solace in this most difficult time. My family wishes you and yours peace.

Lisa - November 24, 2013 at 12:31 PM

AW

To the Chatman Family:

My heart and thoughts are so very heavy at this time to have heard about the passing of Mrs. Chatman. She was such a beautiful, loving and wonderful Christian woman who touched my life in such a special way. Mrs. Chatman was one of my late husband Martin's caregivers as she helped both he and I as she cooked such wonderful meals for him as I was working, which was a HUGE help to us. Always had a smile and something funny and insightful to say. I always enjoyed talking with her because I learned so very much. I am going to miss her. I loved the special friendship that Mrs. Chatman and my mother shared; always picking with each other; always with love and respect. Paulette; Teresa; Paul and Teddy; your entire family is in my family's prayers. Mrs. Chatman will never be forgotten. May you rely on the Lord for strength and understanding. If there is ANYTHING at all that I can do to be of service in any way, please feel free to let me know. Heaven is truly rejoicing as this very special lady is now with the Lord.

We Love You,

Alicia C. Woodfork-Wilkerson

Willie M. McCoy-Johnson and Brian K. McCoy

Alicia C. Woodfork-Wilkerson - November 25, 2013 at 10:15 PM