



## Freeman "CatMan" Watkins

August 16, 1938 - December 29, 2023

WATKINS, Mr. Freeman "Cat Man" – age 85, passed away Friday, December 29, 2023 at Optalis Health. Family hour 10:30AM Thursday, January 11, 2024 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 North Perry Street, with the funeral service commencing immediately at 11:00AM. Friends and Pallbearers will assemble 10:30 AM Thursday at the funeral home. Interment Perry Mount Park Cemetery, 878 North Perry Street. Mr. Watkins will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed between the hours of 2:00PM - 6:00PM Wednesday.

Mr. Watkins leaves to cherish his memory: loving wife, Joyce L. Watkins; children, Michelle (Ian) Simpson, Freeman Watkins, Mark (Susan) Watkins and Damon Watkins; grandchildren, Nicole Marie (Brandon) Liggins and Kendra (Miriam) Watkins; sister, Archina Armster; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Mr. Watkins was preceded in death by his daughter, Nicole Watkins; parents, Emma and Ulysses Watkins; and niece, Diana Ewing.

# Cemetery Details

## Perry Mount Park Cemetery

878 N. Perry St.  
Pontiac, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **10**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Pontiac  
268 North Perry Street  
Pontiac, MI 48342  
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## Funeral Service

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JAN 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Freeman "CatMan" Watkins*



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**Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home** - January 11, 2024 at 10:40 AM

HM

“ *Condolences to Joyce and the family. From Harrison W. Munson and family.*

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**Harrison W. Munson** - January 11, 2024 at 10:26 AM

RS

“ *Rev. Tony & Sylvia Simpson lit a candle in memory of Freeman "CatMan" Watkins*



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**Rev. Tony & Sylvia Simpson** - January 11, 2024 at 09:25 AM

SW

“ *My deepest condolences, thoughts and prayers to the Watkins family. May God be with you today. Your cousin, Stephanie Watkins & family*

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**Stephanie Watkins** - January 11, 2024 at 08:05 AM

DR

“ *The Watkins family was once our neighbors . They lived on one entry and we the other. Condolences The Rogers family*

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**Dr Eugene & Jeanette Rogers** - January 10, 2024 at 06:13 PM

TJ

“ *Teresa Johnson lit a candle in memory of Freeman "CatMan" Watkins*



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**Teresa Johnson** - January 06, 2024 at 04:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Freeman "CatMan" Watkins.*



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January 04, 2024 at 11:55 PM

DT

“ *My deepest condolences to Mrs. Joyce and the Watkins Family on your loss. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers. God's Abundant Blessings.*

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**Dr. Vernal Tiller** - January 04, 2024 at 11:47 PM

AH

“ Adele Hopkins lit a candle in memory of  
Freeman "CatMan" Watkins



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**Adele Hopkins** - January 04, 2024 at 09:12 PM

DR

“ Condolences to the Watkins family. May God continue to bless you  
and comfort you. Warm wishes to Joyce.

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**Drs.Eugene and Jeanette Campbell Rogers** - January 03, 2024 at 09:00 PM

PS

“ Condolences to the Family of Freeman  
Watkins, may God continue to heal your family  
hearts.



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**Paul & Arline Simmons** - January 03, 2024 at 03:23 PM

BR

“ Beverly Rollins lit a candle in memory of  
Freeman "CatMan" Watkins



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**Beverly Rollins** - January 03, 2024 at 11:47 AM

EJ

*Catheryn James  
Sending my condolences for you and your family  
248 891 9290*

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**Elder catheryn Jsmes** - January 05, 2024 at 02:30 PM

JA

*Sending my condolences to the entire Watkins family. I have known this family my entire life. Mr. Watkins sister, Archina Armster, was our neighbor for many years. i will be praying for the family during this difficult time.*

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**James** - January 11, 2024 at 12:43 PM

NP

“*My first Christmas in Pontiac was spent with the Watkins family. I met Michelle as a coworker and from there I just accepted her family as my own. From Mr. Watkins booming voice wishing we everyone a Merry Christmas to him announcing for us to get quiet because "My granddaughter Kendra is going to perform for us", he held it down and you never had to guess where you stood. To Mrs. Joyce, Michelle (Ian), Freeman, Mark(Susan), Damon, Nicole, and Kendra, although distance prevents me from being with you, I am thankful that I got to spend time with all of you. Each of you treated me as if I was family from the very first day and I'm grateful for every small kindness you extended. Take care and continue to live your lives like you were shown. No one can ever fill his shoes, but he taught and showed each of you how to fill your own. Love always, Natalie*

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**Natalie Parham** - January 02, 2024 at 04:47 PM