



James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles

April 9, 1953 - September 18, 2015

KYLES, Mr. James Bernard "Jimmy" - age 62, passed away, Friday, September 18, 2015 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Oakland. Family hour 10:30AM Friday September 25, 2015 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 512 Pearsall Ave., with funeral service commencing immediately at 11:00AM. 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. Mr. Kyles will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 N. Perry St., and may be viewed from 12Noon-8PM Thursday. The family will be present from 6PM-8PM Thursday at the funeral home.

Mr. James Bernard Kyles was born on April 9, 1953 in Pontiac, Michigan to the union of Samuel Sr. and Lettie (Dinkins) Kyles. He accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the Reverend Dr. Amos G. Johnson.

Jimmy, as he was affectionately called by family often told the story of him and James "Spud" Walker. Spud would come by for Jimmy to play catch. Some days it was okay and others, Jimmy didn't want to be bothered so he would hide from Spud hoping he would go away. If Jimmy said he didn't have a glove, Spud had one for him. Jimmy said "I just couldn't get rid of him."

Jimmy attended Pontiac Public Schools, graduating from Pontiac Northern High School where he was an outstanding football and basketball player. Upon graduation, he immediately went to work for the General Motors Corporation at the Fisher Body Plant. After working on the assembly line for two weeks he decided it wasn't his ideal of work and tested for the skilled trades program.

"Hard work pays off" was his motto as he was the youngest to ever be employed as a Supervisor in the Maintenance Department. Jimmy enjoyed the challenge of making the quick assessment as to why the line was not running as it should. He was very instrumental in the startup of the Orion Plant. Because he no longer felt challenged he transferred to Truck and Bus where he traveled the United States and Spain teaching Planned Maintenance. Jimmy retired in 2005 with thirty-four years of service.

On any given day, you could find him on the lake with his buddy, Rufus (Pete) Hannah fishing. Jimmy also enjoyed bowling and bowled for over twenty years in the Untouchables Mixed Bowling League where he was affectionately known as "Mr. James" as he just happened to be the oldest member of the team. Jimmy also participated in other bowling leagues, far too many to name.

On September 18, 2015, God saw fit to call another one of his own home.

Mr. Kyles leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Carol A. Kyles; children, Carl (Kelly) Kyles Sr., Rochelle Kyles, LaKeisha (Marvin) Taylor, Aaron (Shameka) Davenport, LaShonta Kyles, Leea D. (Lawrence T.) Moon, Bre'Ana Kyles; grandchildren, Domanique, Carl "CJ" Kyles Jr., Carl'Ronte, Nydia, Amaya, Carl'Ryk, Paige, Justin, MaKayla, and special grandson, Braylon; four great grandchildren; mother, Lettie Kyles; sisters, Sandra Peoples and Stacey Kyles; special nephew, Andre Kyles; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends including special friend, Rufus "Pete" Hannah.

Mr. Kyles was preceded in death by his father, Samuel Kyles Sr.; sisters, Joan and Helen; brother, Samuel Kyles Jr.

Cemetery Details

Perry Mount Park Cemetery

878 N. Perry St.
Pontiac, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24.** 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Family Hour

SEP **25.** 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
512 Pearsall Ave.
Pontiac, MI

Funeral Service

SEP **25**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LI

“ To Carol and family I am so sorry to hear of your lost, my prayers are with you as well as my love.



lisa - September 25, 2015 at 04:42 PM

DL

“ To Carol and the Kyles Family,

My deepest sympathy and prayers go out to the family. To my friend and partner Jim Kyles who I worked with on the QNPM Team. Jim was instrumental in teaching me the responsibilities of a Key Contact person and supporting the GM plants we served. When we had disagreements we would argue and laugh all at the same time.

But now God wants you back. May you Rest In Peace my Friend.

Deborah Lofton

Deborah Lofton - September 25, 2015 at 04:08 PM

MH

“ Miss.M Hurner sent a virtual gift in memory of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles



Miss.M Hurner - September 24, 2015 at 11:14 PM

GE

“ *Gwendolyn Ellis lit a candle in memory of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles*



Gwendolyn Ellis - September 24, 2015 at 01:30 AM

GE

My Prayers & Condolences To Carol Kyles & The Kyles Family! May God Continue To Comfort & Heal You & Your Family! Deacon & Mrs. Reginald Ellis, Detroit, MI

Gwendolyn Ellis - September 24, 2015 at 01:37 AM

ER

My condolences to the Kyles Family. I pray strength and comfort to you at your time of loss. I worked with Jim during our time with the QNPM Planned Maintenance Effort. He was always such a kind and gentle co-worker.

Elroy Rhodes

Elroy Rhodes - September 25, 2015 at 02:19 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles.*



September 23, 2015 at 03:37 PM



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Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - September 23, 2015 at 01:42 PM



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Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - September 23, 2015 at 11:51 AM



“ 2 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - September 23, 2015 at 08:11 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles.*



September 22, 2015 at 09:30 PM

TM

“ Tonya and Billy Montgomery purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles.



Tonya and Billy Montgomery - September 22, 2015 at 07:39 PM

MM

“ To Carol And The Entire Family:

Our deepest sympathy. May God bless, and keep you, in this time of sadness. May He give you peace. Keep the memories of Jim close.

Nate & Marilyn McDonald & Family
Waterford, MI

Marilyn McDonald - September 22, 2015 at 11:35 AM



“ 24 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - September 22, 2015 at 10:21 AM



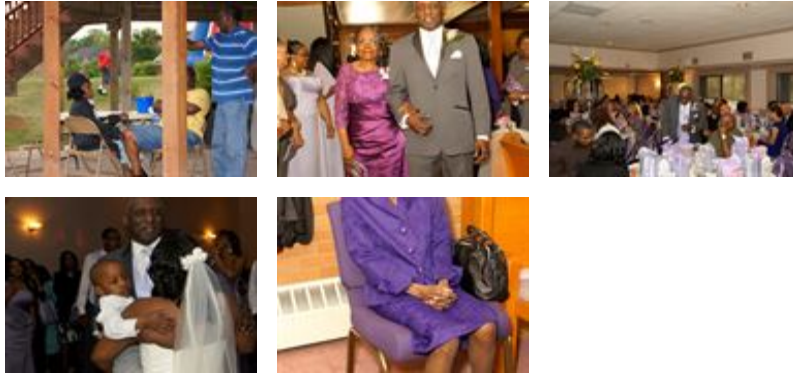
“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles.



September 21, 2015 at 06:41 PM



“ *29 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - September 21, 2015 at 05:36 PM



“ *Sincerely, Dick and Cheryl Beamgard* purchased the *Garden of Serenity Bouquet* for the family of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles.



Sincerely, Dick and Cheryl Beamgard - September 21, 2015 at 03:58 PM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles.*



September 21, 2015 at 02:01 PM



“ *Praying for the Kyles Family. May the Lord bless and keep you in this time of sorrow. The Golden Voices, and Senior Dept. of New Bethel Baptist Church, E. Davis-Burch Pres. Rev K. S. Payton pastor.*

Edith Woods - September 21, 2015 at 12:03 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles.*



September 20, 2015 at 10:31 PM



“ *Paula Hannah sent a virtual gift in memory of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles*



paula hannah - September 20, 2015 at 04:21 PM

AG

“ *Our Prayers are with the Family, from Anthony & Shirley Graham and the Graham Family. Marcia, Angela and Marilyn. Your Cousins*
GOD GRACE IS SUFFICIENT.....



Anthony Graham - September 20, 2015 at 01:43 PM

MH

“ *Miss.M Hurner sent a virtual gift in memory of James Bernard "Jimmy" Kyles*



Miss.M Hurner - September 20, 2015 at 10:00 AM