



Joyce Lorraine Petway

July 15, 1945 - June 10, 2013

PETWAY, Mrs. Joyce Lorraine - age 67, passed away, Monday, June 10, 2013 at Laurel Baye Health Care Facility in Greenville, South Carolina. Family hour 10:00AM Saturday June 15, 2013 at Providence Missionary Baptist Church, 299 Bagley St., with funeral service commencing immediately at 11AM. Pastor Robert Martin, officiating. Interment Perry Mount Park Cemetery, 878 N. Perry St. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10AM Saturday. Mrs. Petway will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 N. Perry St., and may be viewed from 6-7:30PM Friday, and from 10:00AM-11:00AM at the church Saturday. The family will be present from 6:00-7:30PM Friday to receive friends at the funeral home, as well the ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. will also be present to render the Ivy Beyond the Wall Ceremony from 7:00-7:30PM.

Joyce Lorraine (Callahan) Petway, departed this life on June 10, 2013. She was born in Roanoke, Virginia on July 15, 1945, to John M. Callahan and Carrie L. (Yuille) Callahan. Joyce spent her first years in Naruna, VA and Philadelphia, PA. Her family then moved to Monessen, PA where she graduated from Monessen High School in 1963. A lifelong learner and educator, Joyce was the first in her family to go to college, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hampton Institute (currently Hampton University) in 1967. That same year she began her life's work as an educator. Joyce became the First African-American Female Junior High School Teacher in the Pontiac

School District, Pontiac MI. Throughout her career, she taught History, Government, Economics, and English. Joyce later earned a Master's Degree in Education from Marygrove College, Detroit, MI. She enjoyed an illustrious teaching career, spanning over 30 years: Making invaluable contributions to numerous educational associations at the local, state, and national levels especially as a member of the Pontiac Education Association and the National Education Association (NEA Lifetime Member). Joyce accepted Christ at an early age and was a tireless church worker. She developed, led, and supported youth programs and initiatives at the Messiah Missionary Baptist and the Providence Missionary Baptist Church in Pontiac MI. She served wherever she was needed: she chaired Vacation Bible School, served as the Church Clerk, published the church bulletins, and served as Youth Director. In keeping with her true calling as an educator, Joyce was also passionate about Christian Education. She attended and completed numerous classes at Christian Education Conferences all over the country, many through the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education. She was an advocate for children, and was a leader and supporter of countless community activities. She worked in soup kitchens, was a member of Kiwanis International and was a Lifetime Member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. (Theta Lambda Omega Chapter) with over 25 years of service (Silver Star).

Joyce is preceded in death by her father, John Callahan, and is survived by her mother, Carrie L. Callahan; a daughter, Darlene (Russell) Shepherd; a son, William D. Petway; two grandchildren, Ariel Shepherd and Gregory Shepherd; four sisters, Jacqueline (Richard) Carter, Theresa (Derek) Lawrence, Phyllis Seck, and Vanetta Callahan; five nieces, one nephew, and one great nephew.

Cemetery Details

Perry Mount Park Cemetery

878 N. Perry St.
Pontiac, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **14**. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

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

JUN **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

PROVIDENCE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
299 BAGLEY
PONTIAC, MI 48341

Tribute Wall



“ Iwill always remember that SMILE in the morning! may you TEACH in heaven as you taught us here...R.I.P. Ms. Petway

Jacquetta Butler-Thomas - May 20, 2015 at 06:03 AM

GE

“ My Condolences goes out to the family of Joyce Petway. May God continue to comfort and bless you and the entire family.
Mrs. Gwendolyn Burrell (Clay) Ellis - Detroit, MI

Gwendolyn Ellis - July 10, 2013 at 08:42 PM

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“ Dear Petway Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is fresh, even with the passage of much time. Thankfully, I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress.(Psalms83:18,Psalms65:2) Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again.(Isaiah 25:8) My family and I wish you and yours peace.(Phillipians4:7)

Lisa - June 15, 2013 at 08:35 AM

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“ Houston Yuille purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of Joyce Lorraine
Petway.



Houston Yuille - June 14, 2013 at 05:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joyce Lorraine Petway.*



June 14, 2013 at 03:04 PM



“ *To Darlene & DeShawn I love you both.. I pray that God Bless and Keep you both during this time .*

Sharina Petway - June 13, 2013 at 03:33 PM



“ *Peace Eternal Wreath was purchased for the family of Joyce Lorraine Petway.*



June 13, 2013 at 01:08 PM



“ *Mavis "Elaine" Peters lit a candle in memory of Joyce Lorraine Petway*




Mavis "Elaine" Peters - June 13, 2013 at 07:51 AM

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“ *Kimberly Griffin lit a candle in memory of Joyce Lorraine Petway*




Kimberly Griffin - June 13, 2013 at 05:09 AM


Kimberly Hampton

“ *Kimberly Hampton lit a candle in memory of Joyce Lorraine Petway*



Kimberly Hampton - June 12, 2013 at 07:01 PM


Kimberly Hampton

Praying for the family of Ms. Petway...may you find comfort at this difficult time.

Kimberly Hampton - June 12, 2013 at 07:02 PM

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“ *Tori Petway lit a candle in memory of Joyce Lorraine Petway*



Tori Petway - June 11, 2013 at 03:27 PM