



Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles

August 24, 1929 - August 30, 2016

KYLES, Mother Lettie "Granny" - Age 87, passed away Tuesday, August 30, 2016 at her residence. Family hour 10:30AM Saturday, September 10, 2016 at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 512 Pearsall Avenue, 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 10:30 AM Saturday. Mother Kyles will lie in state in at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 512 Pearsall Ave., and may be viewed from Noon - 8:00PM Friday.

Mother Lettie Kyles was born on August 24, 1929 in Pontiac, Michigan to the union of Charles and Ammie Dinkins. "Granny" as she was affectionately called attended Pontiac Public Schools. At an early age she gave her life to Christ and was a member of the New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church where she served faithfully on the Usher Board, the Kitchen Ministry and in the Food Pantry.

On September of 1945, she married the love of her life Mr. Samuel Kyles, and to this union was born Joan Delores "Pumpkin", Helen Marie "Tudy", twins, Samuel Jr. "Bubbie" and Sandra Louise "Nana", James Bernard "Jimmy" and Stacy.

Granny was a homemaker, raising not only her own children but her

grandchildren and great grandchildren as well. The house on the hill (called Bunker Hill by the family) known to many in the City of Pontiac was a place of love, warmth and discipline.

For a period of time Lettie worked in the domestic field, where she had no problem letting her employers know, "She did not do windows." Yes if you are wondering she created the "Help," you know which role she held.

Although Lettie was small in stature, she didn't have to speak a word, If you heard three snaps of the fingers and saw her point you better get it together. An advocate for her family you could often find her at the school for a misbehaving child or grandchild (a sight not welcomed by the guilty) as they knew once they got to the house on the hill what to expect. Granny was the glue that held the family together the caregiver for all family members.

Lettie served faithfully at New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church for many years but felt the commission from the Lord to join her grandson, Pastor Terrance J. Gowdy at the Second Baptist Church in Romeo, Michigan where she served faithfully on the Mother's Board and the Kitchen Ministry from 1993 to 2004. Continuing to follow the commission for the Lord she joined Pastor Gowdy in 2006 at the Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church where she continued with the Kitchen Ministry and serving on the Mother's Board well into her eighties. A loyal and faithful member one could always find Mother Kyles in attendance supporting church activities until her health did not allow her to actively participate.

On August 24, 2016 Granny celebrated her eighty-seventh birthday with family and friends. Although Granny was not feeling up to par she really enjoyed having the family there in her honor. On August 30, 2016, Granny made her transition from labor to reward.

Mother Kyles leaves to cherish her memory: daughters, Sandra Peoples and Stacy Kyles both of Pontiac, MI; grandchildren, Andre Kyles, Jack Ridgeway III, Angela Ridgeway, Keith Foster, Everette Foster, Helen Foster, Willa Foster, Shanetia (Marcus) Houston, LaPorcha Foster Anthony Kyles, Sr., Alicia Kyles, Audra (Kevin) Gross, Ebony Price, Adrian (Brandi) Kyles, Alfreda Simmons, Pastor Terrance J. Gowdy, LaRhonda (Amos) Brown, DeTonya (Lorinzo) Smith, Carl (Kelly) Kyles Sr., Rochelle Kyles, LaKeisha (Marvin) Taylor, Aaron (Shameka) Davenport, LaShonta Kyles, Leea D. (Lawrence T.) Moon, Bre'Ana Kyles, Shateka Kyles, Jahzanique McDonald, Shantanique McDonald, Azaria McDonald, Mary Richardson; a host of great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; brother, Robert (Allie) Dinkins; son-in-law, Willie Foster; daughter-in-law, Carol A. Kyles; and a host of other numerous relatives and friends.

Mother Kyles was preceded in death by her husband, Samuel Kyles, Sr; children, Joan Ridgeway, Helen Foster, Samuel, Kyles Jr. and James Kyles; grandson, Harvey Kyles; parents, Ammie and Charles Dinkins Sr.; siblings, Charles Dinkins Jr., Lloyd Dinkins, Rose Gilyard, Jessie Seay, Val Kersey, Dora Lee Shields, Irene Dinkins, Gussie Walters; daughter-in-law, Patricia Kyles; sons-in-law, Jack A. Ridgeway Jr. and Alfred Peoples.

Cemetery Details

Perry Mount Park Cemetery

878 N. Perry St.
Pontiac, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **9**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
512 Pearsall Ave.
Pontiac, MI

Family Hour

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

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
512 Pearsall Ave.
Pontiac, MI

Funeral Service

SEP **10**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
512 Pearsall Ave.
Pontiac, MI

Tribute Wall

LA

“ LauritaWashington sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles



LauritaWashington - October 09, 2016 at 09:40 PM

GE

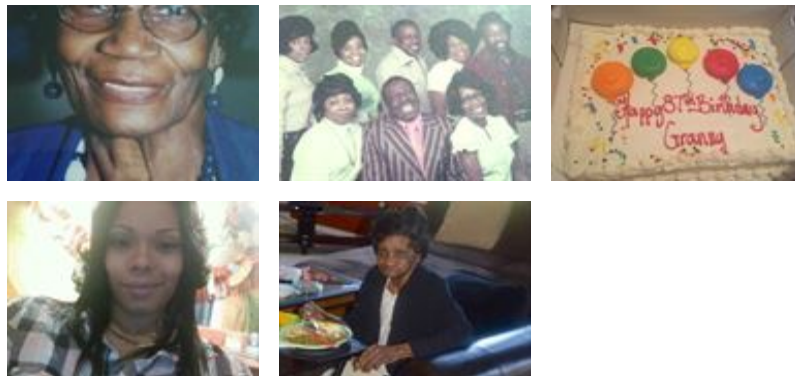
“ I'm Sorry For Your Loss At A Time Such As This! My Prayers & Condolences For The Family!
Mrs. Gwendolyn Burrell Ellis- Detroit, MI



Gwendolyn Ellis - September 14, 2016 at 10:19 PM



“ 132 files added to the album LifeTributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - September 08, 2016 at 12:18 PM

KG

“ *Kenyotta And Michael Grandberry lit a candle in memory of Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles*



Kenyotta and Michael Grandberry - September 07, 2016 at 12:37 AM

MH

“ *Miss. M Hurner sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles*



Miss. M Hurner - September 06, 2016 at 06:07 AM

DB

“ *With deepest sorrows and sending prayers to the entire Kyles family. May God keep you all close during this time of bereavement.*



Deborah Benton and Family

Deborah A BENTON - September 05, 2016 at 09:46 PM

AG

“ *May the Blessings of Love be upon you, May it's Peace abide with you, May it's Essence illuminate your Heart, Now and forever more. PEACE, PRAYER, and BLESSINGS.....
From Anthony (Shirley) Graham, and The Graham Family.*



Anthony Graham - September 04, 2016 at 03:14 PM

SP

Thank you

Sandra Peoples - September 04, 2016 at 05:56 PM

ER

“ Dre, Young Jack, Angie Sorry 2Here About "GRANNY"s Passing Just Noe That God Had Bedda Plan"s Already Plan 4Her, My Prayer"s Goin Out 2Yall Fam, All Love From Ya Fam EMOE!

Eric Reed - September 03, 2016 at 09:08 AM

SH

“ Sis.Danielle Holt sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles



Sis.Danielle Holt - September 03, 2016 at 08:26 AM

NF

“ Norma Moyè & Family lit a candle in memory of Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles



Norma Moyè & Family - September 02, 2016 at 04:32 PM



“ JDenisejustbecuz Tillman sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles



JDenisejustbecuz Tillman - September 01, 2016 at 02:23 PM

MH

“ *Miss. M Hurner sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles*



Miss. M Hurner - September 01, 2016 at 07:58 AM

MM

“ *To the entire Kyles/Dinkins Family,*

Our deepest sympathy. Miss Lettie, I called her, was a sweet person. She always had a smile for me, and we always shared a good laugh about something. Keep the memories of her close. May the good Lord keep and bless all of you.

Nate & Marilyn McDonald & Family

Marilyn McDonald - August 31, 2016 at 11:55 AM

MH

“ *Miss. M Hurner sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Lettie "Granny" Kyles*



Miss. M Hurner - August 31, 2016 at 11:16 AM

DF

“ *To all of my friends in the Kyles/Dinkins family.
Meeting and knowing Granny for all these years has been a True
Joy & Blessing.
She was always so sweet and nice to me.
Thanks to all of you for sharing your Sweet Precious Lovely Sister,
Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother with me.
Prayers and condolences to all of you.
Darryl Fowlkes*

Darryl Fowlkes - August 31, 2016 at 10:09 AM