



Mother Martha Rice

June 27, 1925 - February 8, 2021

RICE, Mother Martha – age 95, passed away, Monday, February 8, 2021 at Pomeroy Living – Rochester. Family hour 10:30AM Saturday, February 20, 2021 at New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 174 Branch Street, with funeral commencing immediately at 11:00AM. Pastor Keyon S. Payton, Officiating. Interment Perry Mount Park Cemetery, 878 North Perry Street. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30AM Saturday. Mother Rice will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 12:00PM - 6:00PM Friday.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her daughters, Martha Clark of Pontiac, MI and Michele Taylor of Waterford, MI; granddaughters, Alyce Clark and Tanith (Darius) Rice-Harris; great-grandchildren, Rahket Rice-Harris and Quest Rice-Harris; step great grand-daughters, Eboney (Bruce) Howard, Erica Clark, Nicole (Cliff) Grant and Raven Naquito Gross; step great great grandsons and grand daughters; special son-in-law, Roy Taylor; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Mother Rice was preceded in death by her husband, Alex Rice; grandson, Alex B. Clark; parents, Joe Cornelius and Maggie Winzer; sister, Bessie Oliver; brother, Nathan Oliver; and son-in-law, Dud Clark.

Cemetery Details

Perry Mount Park Cemetery

878 N. Perry St.
Pontiac, MI

Tribute Wall

MI

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



MicheleRiceTaylor - June 30, 2025 at 03:39 PM

MI

“ Her children will arise up and call her Blessed: her husband also and he praised her. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all -Proverbs 31:28-29



We Honor what would have been your 100th Birthday with Love and Respect. Miss You Mommy

MicheleRiceTaylor - June 30, 2025 at 03:38 PM

NJ

“ Granny,
I thank God for ensuring we crossed paths. I appreciate the opportunity to even call you 'Granny, if even for a short period of time. Thank you for treating me like one of your own. You will always be loved and forever missed!

Nikki Jones - December 15, 2024 at 08:45 PM

MI

“ Love You Madly. Miss You Mommy ❤️



MicheleRiceTaylor - February 08, 2024 at 10:45 AM

MI

“ Celebrating Your Heavenly Bithday, I Love You, Mommy ❤️



MicheleRiceTaylor - June 27, 2023 at 09:50 AM



“ Love & miss you immensely. XO



Tanith Rice-Harris - February 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM

MI

“ We miss you



MicheleRiceTaylor - February 08, 2023 at 08:25 AM

MI

“ *Not a Day has gone by that My Heart has not Wept for the Loss of You or Rejoiced at the Memories of You. You were My First Love, First Friend, First Teacher and Cheerleader. My Real Life Honest to Goodness Superhero and a Blessing Sent Directly from God. Mommy. You are So Loved So Seriously Missed. Your Sirit Lingers Deeply Within My Soul Today and Always...*



MicheleRiceTaylor - February 08, 2022 at 10:15 PM

AC

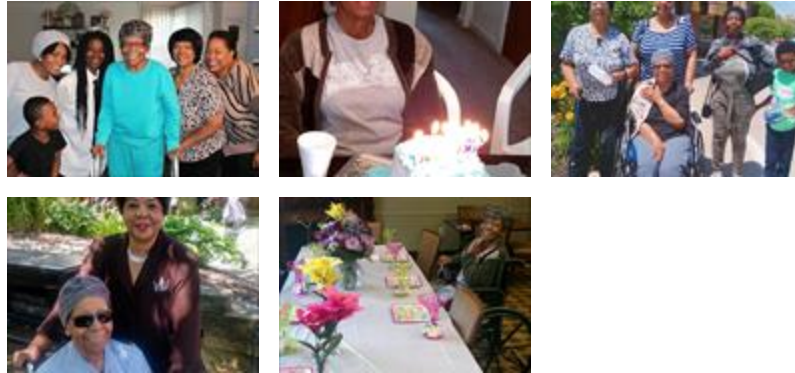
“ *Grandmother, We're thanking God for you and celebrating your life as you celebrate your first birthday in Heaven. We love and miss you!*



Alyce Clark - June 27, 2021 at 03:07 PM

AC

“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



Alyce Clark - February 20, 2021 at 12:05 AM

AC

“ Grandmother, you made our lives special...Your eyes, your smile, your love. Heartfelt talks, homemade cookies, fresh baked rolls. World's best gumbo! Laughter that filled us with joy and hugs that made everything better. Prayers in good times and bad. Going out of your way to make your babies happy. Gatherings in a home where everyone was welcome. Memories, now precious treasures. You will always be loved.
"Lisa"- a blessed and grateful granddaughter.

Alyce Clark - February 19, 2021 at 09:43 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mother Martha Rice.



February 19, 2021 at 06:01 PM

LP

“ I will always cherish the memories of sharing holiday dinners with the family. Mother Rice was always so welcoming, kind, patient & an all around gentle soul. I am blessed to have known her

LaShawn Patterson - February 19, 2021 at 02:30 PM

Asia Davis

“ Asia Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Martha Rice



Asia Davis - February 19, 2021 at 06:45 AM

Asia Davis

“ I will always and forever miss you grandma rice R.I.P from The Davis Family



Asia Davis - February 19, 2021 at 06:43 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mother Martha Rice.



February 18, 2021 at 07:32 PM

RG

“ My condolences to the entire family and friends of Mother Rice. I have fond memories of her ministering with the New Bethel Jail Ministry in the 1990's. She was a sweet and model church mother. Such a warming smile. Family, I thank God for your mother and granny. I pray for the Lord's comfort and peace to continue to keep you. 🙏



Rev Grady Garrison - February 18, 2021 at 02:36 PM

CS

“ I love you family!!! I will never forget aunt Martha came to visit us at Momma Joe house and I when it was time to go to sleep I slept with her. My great aunt had so much peace within her and I experienced the peace that came from her and I cried when she went back to Michigan. I could go on and on. I miss and love her and I love my family. God bless you always!!!!

Coy S. Stehenson - February 18, 2021 at 01:35 PM

MK

“ My dear friend Martha, she was the kindest friend I meet. We talked a lot on the phone. We laughed a lot huge when we both needed it. She is leaving a big hole in my heart but with God's help he will help me through it. She has the most loving family. God Bless all of you she Lea es behind.

Margaret Keyes - February 18, 2021 at 11:30 AM

TH

“ Granny will definitely be missed and never forgotten. I will never forget our trip to traverse city and our family trip. Granny was the most sweetest lady I had ever missed. Granny definitely brought fun to the trip. Love you granny rest well 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Tara Harris - February 17, 2021 at 05:36 PM

JM

“ *Janice McClain-Morgan lit a candle in memory of Mother Martha Rice*



Janice McClain-Morgan - February 16, 2021 at 07:54 PM

MW

“ *Treasured Memories of/with Mother Martha Rice as she neighbored my grandmother Georgia Warren. The two would eat meals together in the Pomeroy Living dining room. Mother Marthas' voice reminded me of Dr. Maya Angelou...'Speak up baby, I can't hear in this ear'...GODS Eternal Comfort & Strength to the family during your time of bereavement; Mother Martha was so Very Klnd.*



Marlo S Warren - February 16, 2021 at 07:12 PM

RB

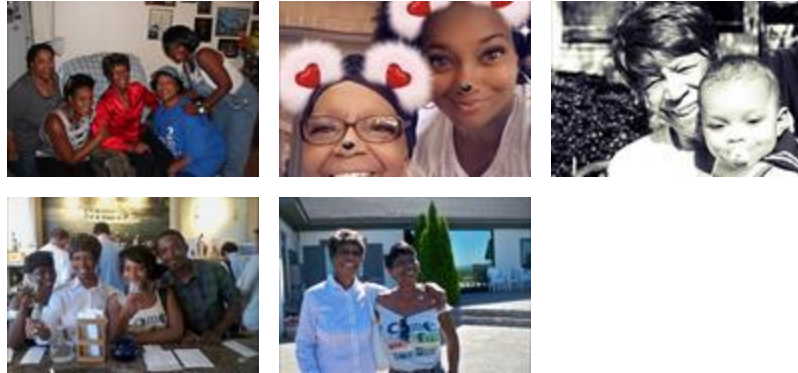
“ *I will always remember the Great Martha Rice. This lady helped me through a sad time. Her niece Regina Singleton passed away in 2005, Regina and I were very good friends. I was very sad. Mrs. Rice told some things and I felt much better. I know she loved God and she now walks with him and Jesus. My condolences to her family and God Bless you all.*



Renee Beckley - February 16, 2021 at 05:37 PM



“ 15 files added to the album Mother Rice



Tanith Rice-Harris - February 16, 2021 at 11:36 AM



“ Teresa Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mother Martha Rice



Teresa Johnson - February 15, 2021 at 01:44 AM



“ Mother rice
You will forever be in my heart I remember the times of meeting you in the parking lot walking you in church and you say thanks darling you keep up the good work I'm so proud of you 😊 you were so sweet to the family you are in my prayers and I pray god give you strength during this difficult time
The Holmes Family



James Bullock - February 15, 2021 at 01:38 AM

MM

“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Family of Mother Rice,
We will always keep the memories of her close, and that beautiful
smile!

God Bless,
Nathaniel & Marilyn McDonald, & Family

Marilyn McDonald - February 11, 2021 at 04:22 PM

MW

“ Michael D Williams lit a candle in memory of
Mother Martha Rice



Michael D Williams - February 09, 2021 at 04:29 PM

CC

“ The Cannady family would like to send our
heartfelt condolences to the Rice family. Mrs.
Rice was our other mother who never stop
praying and thinking about us. She always
stayed in contact with us. She was so sharp,
wise and a woman of God. She was very soft spoken but hers
words were powerful. She will be missed by all of us, but never
forgotten.



Cherry Cannady - February 09, 2021 at 11:06 AM

JC

My condolences to the Rice Family God Bless you All in this hour of
bereavement

Jovita Corke - February 11, 2021 at 01:58 PM



“ *The Mahone Family ShaRon, Howard & Diane lit a candle in memory of Mother Martha Rice*



The Mahone Family ShaRon, Howard & Diane - February 09, 2021 at 10:22 AM



“ *Pandoretta Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mother Martha Rice*



Pandoretta Jackson - February 09, 2021 at 09:09 AM



“ *Sandra Peoples lit a candle in memory of Mother Martha Rice*



Sandra Peoples - February 08, 2021 at 09:17 PM



My Condolences

Sandra Peoples - February 08, 2021 at 09:18 PM