



Shelton "Essman" Rivers

February 21, 1973 - March 10, 2026

RIVERS, Mr. Shelton "Essman" - age 53, passed away on Tuesday, March 10, 2026. Family hour 10:30AM Saturday, March 21, 2026 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 North Perry Street, with the memorial service commencing immediately at 11:00AM. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, 25800 West 10 Mile Road. Friends and family will assemble 10:30AM at the funeral home Saturday. Mr. Rivers 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 Thursday.

Mr. Rivers leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Emily O'Reilly-Rivers; parents, Mary Jenkins and John (Athel) Rivers; siblings, Sean Rivers, Dr. Angel Rivers and John Rivers, Jr.; nieces, Layah Rivers, Alivia Rivers and Aryanna Rivers; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Pontiac
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Family Hour

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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Shelton "Essman" Rivers*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 21 at 10:38 AM

SC

“ *Stephen C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.*

Stephen C. - March 21 at 04:41 PM

JJ

“ *My Beloved brother and true friend. I Love you and will always cherish and carry your beautiful spirit in my heart infinity so will my son's you were a great uncle/brother reaching out when you had the opportunity which is and always be appreciated. May God receive your glorious spirit and you rest easy. I Love you your brother.*



John E Rivers Jr - March 21 at 02:41 AM

JE

“ John E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.

John E. - March 21 at 02:30 AM

NR

“ Shelton was a joy. He always made a joke and made me laugh. I love you so my dear Nephew. Auntie Nadine

Nadine Rivers - March 21 at 01:10 AM

BC

“ Bennie C. purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



Bennie C. - March 20 at 03:37 PM

MJ

“ Mayumi J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.

Mayumi J. - March 20 at 10:02 AM

AB

“ ANTHONY B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



ANTHONY B. - March 20 at 01:53 AM

BY

“ Barry Y. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.

Barry Y. - March 19 at 04:38 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



March 18 at 12:51 PM

AA

“ Annica, Cris, Mark, Emily and Amy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



Annica, Cris, Mark, Emily and Amy - March 18 at 11:32 AM

AA

“ Annica, Cris, Mark, Emily and Amy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.

Annica, Cris, Mark, Emily and Amy - March 18 at 11:32 AM

RF

“ Rabe, Scharre,Irene and DHC Work Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.

Rabe, Scharre,Irene and DHC Work Family - March 18 at 09:07 AM

RF

“ Rabe, Scharre,Irene and DHC Work Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



Rabe, Scharre,Irene and DHC Work Family - March 18 at 09:07 AM

TE

“ The Finest Entertainment purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



The Finest Entertainment - March 17 at 10:59 PM

DS

“ Deneen and Denise Shinall purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



Deneen and Denise Shinall - March 17 at 08:27 PM

DS

“ Deneen and Denise Shinall planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.

Deneen and Denise Shinall - March 17 at 08:27 PM



“ Words cannot express how heartbroken I am. I remember Shelton as the most joyful baby and enjoyed watching his love for music where he would tap his foot as a little boy just starting to walk. Shelton made every one smile. I will miss you forever cuz.. Love Nang



Deneen Shinall RN - March 17 at 08:20 PM

DP

“ Denaun Porter purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



Denaun Porter - March 16 at 11:53 PM

DP

“ Denaun Porter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.

Denaun Porter - March 16 at 11:53 PM



“ He was a fun baby. He was a fun man. I'll miss him for the rest of my life.



Denise Shinall - March 16 at 01:28 PM

DB

“ Donna, Brandon and Brian purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Shelton "Essman" Rivers.



Donna, Brandon and Brian - March 15 at 10:58 PM