



Willie Watts

June 14, 1944 - January 16, 2026

WATTS, Mr. Willie, age 81 - passed away Friday, January 16, 2026 at Henry Ford Hospital Rochester in Rochester Hills, Michigan. Family hour 10:30AM Friday, February 6, 2026 at Welcome Missionary Baptist Church, 143 Oneida Street, with funeral commencing immediately at 11:00AM. Pastor Emeritus Douglas P. Jones, Officiating. Interment Perry Mount Park Cemetery, 878 North Perry Street. Friends and pallbearers will assemble 10:30AM at the church Friday. Mr. Watts will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 North Perry Street, and may be viewed between the hours of 12:00PM - 6:00PM Thursday.

Mr. Watts leaves to cherish his memory: his daughter, Willie Mae Thompson; siblings, Vernon McKinney and Ernest Watts; nephew, Melvin McKinney; and a host other relatives and friends.

Mr. Watts was preceded in death by his wife, Ruby Watts; parents, Manuel Watts, Sr. and Fannie Lou Watts; and siblings, Virginia Wallace, Rosie Burnett, Manuel Watts, Jr. and Daisy Mae McKinney.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Pontiac
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Pontiac, MI 48342
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Family Hour

FEB 6. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Welcome Missionary Baptist Church
143 Oneida St
Pontiac, MI 48341-1626
(248) 335-8740

Funeral Service

FEB 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

VT

“ Willie and his wife Ruby are very best friends of mine and my ex husband Melvin. We've been friends since around 1964. They were like God parents to our daughters, they were there for us always. Thank you Jesus for Willie and Ruby my brother and sister in Christ. 🙏🙏
Our prayers and condolences to all members of Willie Watts Family.



Vera Carter - Galveston, Texas - February 06 at 07:05 PM

DH

“ Ole Mr. Will journey well may the Lord love him may the Lord keep him amen 🙏



Demetrius Harris - February 05 at 10:20 AM

EB

“ Estella Butler lit a candle in memory of Willie Watts



Estella Butler - January 20 at 11:28 AM

EB

Condolences and prayers for the Watts family

Estella Butler - January 20 at 11:29 AM

EB

James & Estella Butler

Estella Butler - January 20 at 11:32 AM

SW

Uncle Willie, rest in peace. I will always be grateful for the gentle, watchful care you showed your nephew and my late husband, Eddie Watts, during his transition so many years ago. Your love did not go unnoticed. May you now be reunited with Aunt Ruby and Eddie, wrapped in peace. My heartfelt condolences to our family during this difficult time.

Sharon Watts - January 30 at 01:56 PM

BR

“ *BARBARA RogersLandry lit a candle in memory of Willie Watts*



BARBARA RogersLandry - January 19 at 08:40 PM