



Mr. Artis Edward Outen

March 31, 1948 - August 18, 2019

In Loving Memory Of;

Artis Edward Lee Outen was born on March 31, 1948 in Durham, North Carolina, to Erline Outen and Artis Brewer. He was the oldest of five children. Both of his parents, brothers Curtis Wayne Outen, William Craddle, and sister Cecelia Lane all preceded him in death. He was educated in the Durham Public School System.

Artis, affectionately known as Art, left Durham in pursuit of a better life, and relocated to Washington D.C. as a teen. Later, the lure of lucrative automotive jobs, led him to Detroit, Michigan.

Artis gained employment at Chevrolet Gear & Axle, which later became American Axle & Manufacturing, where he worked for more than 30 years. There, he met and married Yvette Harrell and embraced her son, Christopher Jason as his own, in 1974. To this union, one daughter, Rashida Nicole, was born in 1976. Christopher Jason went home to be with the Lord in November, 1988.

Art loved playing cards, listening to the Blues, cooking – especially wild game, reading books, watching Westerns and detective dramas, and the company of his dear friends. On any given weekend, you could find his buddies Van and Rosie, Otis and Ann, Myron, Doug, Wes, Lisa and Ray, Fudge, Shirley, and/or a host of others, sitting in their garages, enjoying a “cold one.” Dear friends Douglas McCurtis, Westley Clark Jr., Van and Rosie McRae, and Ann Rodgers all preceded him in death.

Art adored his daughter Rashida, and was very proud of her achievements. He was most proud when she graduated from Michigan State. Their relationship grew as she became an adult.

In 2016, Artis' health began to decline. Despite countless surgeries, hospitalizations, and setbacks, he never gave up the fight. It was during those battles on October 29, 2018 that Artis accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Lord and Savior at St. Mary's Hospital. Though the battles continued, the victory was already won! On August 18, 2019 Artis made his transition from labor to reward.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

19975 Woodward Ave.
Detroit, MI 48203

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Aug. **23**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour

Saturday, Aug. **24**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
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Funeral Service

Saturday, Aug. **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Artis Edward Outen*

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