



Mr. Bobby L. Drake

February 4, 1946 - July 21, 2021

In Loving Memory Of

Bobby Lee Drake was born on February 4, 1946 in Pensacola, Florida to Clifton and Bernice Drake; the second oldest of eight children.

Bobby graduated from Washington Senior High School in Pensacola, where he played drums in the band. After graduation, he joined the United States Air Force during the Vietnam era and served four years.

Bobby moved to Detroit, Michigan in 1971. He worked briefly for Chrysler before joining General Motors, which he retired from after 32 years.

He met his wife, Helen, in Pensacola when they were neighbors in their youth. After she moved to Detroit, they married after three years of dating and celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary this year. To this union, two children were born: a son, Darnell, and a daughter, Shanise. He was a constant source of love and support for them.

Bobby rededicated his life to serving God at Scott Memorial United Methodist Church and served wherever he was needed. Upon hearing a visitor complain about how small the old sanctuary was, he replied "it's okay, God made it in."

Bobby loved kids and they loved him; he looked forward to joking with them each Sunday, as well as with his fellow church members.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three siblings.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Helen Drake; son, Darnell Drake; daughter, Shanise Drake; grandson, Donovan Drake; sisters: Lucrisia Drake, Betty (Charles) Walker, Angela Drake, Carla Drake; brother-in-law, Claude

Patton; sister-in-law, Dorothy Cooke; along with a host of nieces and nephews that he loved deeply and who were each “his favorite.”

Previous Events

Family Hour

Saturday, Jul. **31**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Scott Memorial United Methodist Church
15361 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 836-6301
<http://www.scottumc.org>

Funeral Service

Saturday, Jul. **31**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Scott Memorial United Methodist Church
15361 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Bobby L. Drake*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Dear Helen,
I want to send my heartfelt condolences to you and your family for the loss of your husband. Bobby was such a comical and fun loving person and he will be missed by so many. May GOD give you renewed strength each day! Sincerely, Nicole Fields*

Nicole Fields - August 01, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ *We would like to extend our condolences to the family. Continue to rely on God and know that he hears your prayers, because he cares for you. Truly sorry for your loss.*

Evans family - July 30, 2021 at 05:27 AM



“ *Expressing my sincere condolences to the Drake Family in your loss. I too share your sorrow and hurt because I have been a part of the family since 1957. There was never a dull moment if Bobby was around because he always kept you laughing. God will give us peace, comfort, and understanding as we continue to pray.*

*W. Grace Stallworth-Bryant & family
Pensacola, Florida*

Willa W Stallworth - July 29, 2021 at 12:32 AM



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“ *Althea Embry and Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mr. Bobby L. Drake.*



Althea Embry and Family - July 27, 2021 at 09:25 PM