



## Mr. Cleveland Barnes

August 12, 1924 - April 2, 2016

Celebrating The Life Of Cleveland Barnes:

Cleveland Barnes, also affectionately known as Buddy and Uncle Buddy, was born August 12, 1924 in Yazoo, Mississippi to the late Albert Barnes and Aldee Smith-Barnes. He was third child of four siblings.

In 1943, Cleveland moved to Detroit, Michigan where he later completed his high school education in Detroit Public Schools. He worked for a small manufacturing factory before working for Chrysler. He retired from Chrysler after 40 years of service in 1986.

In 1946, Cleveland met and married his loving wife, Martha Lee. Martha Lee loved, cared for, and supported him until her passing in 2011. Although, this loving couple did not have any biological children, they claimed many as their own sons, daughters, and grandchildren. There are a special few who referred to and called him "Dad" or "Granddaddy."

Cleveland accepted CHRIST and joined Russell Street Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Stephen Campbell and continued under Rev. Dr. Dee Dee Coleman. He was a "loyal and faithful servant." He worked diligently in spreading the word to help others know CHRIST. He would always have comforting words of wisdom to share. He served for many years as Chairman of the Deacon Board, President of the Laymans, Usher

Board, Church Trustee, Sunday School Teacher, Mission Member, and Dynamo Club. He also received many awards for his service and dedication.

In Cleveland's spare time, he enjoyed spending moments with his family and friends, eating a good meal, fishing, walking, and watching sports and a variety of television shows. He loved to hum and talk which could be heard from great distances. Anytime you asked him about how he was feeling or doing, he would respond by saying "I'm ALRIGHT" and "Everything's ALRIGHT!"

On April 2, 2016, Cleveland made his transition to be with the LORD from Seasons Hospice at Sinai-Grace Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery

17100 Van Dyke  
Detroit, MI 48234

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

Friday, Apr. 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Russell Street Missionary Baptist Church  
8700 Chrysler Freeway  
Detroit, MI 48211  
(313) 875-1615  
<http://www.russellstreetmbc.org>

## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Cleveland Barnes*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. Death claims the lives of those we love. May you draw close to God in prayer and he will sustain you.-  
Psalms 55:22*

**Ms. Tuffy** - April 09, 2016 at 07:48 PM



“ *Please accept my condolence on the loss of your loved one. May you find comfort in knowing that God has promised to " swallow up death forever,...and wipe away the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25:8)*

**Henderson** - April 09, 2016 at 01:52 PM



“ *Much love to the Barnes family. We will miss you Uncle Buddy. From your family and friends here in Ohio. We only heard about your passing the day of your funeral. We'd talked about coming to see you soon, this year. You will be missed. The Miller family.*

**Angela** - April 09, 2016 at 07:23 AM



Angee  
Parker

“ *My wonderful Uncle Buddy. You will be missed. A man of great character and integrity. I will miss you. I had planned to come up to see you soon. Rest in the hands of our Lord and savior, Jesus Christ. May God comfort his family and friends.*

*Angie in Ohio.*

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**Angee Parker** - April 08, 2016 at 08:13 PM

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“ *Uncle Buddy I will truly miss you. I pray that you are now at peace. Rest in peace. Always Penny (Smith) Lee*



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**Penny (Smith) Lee** - April 07, 2016 at 09:48 PM

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“ *A flower blooms for a moment and we remember the Beauty ALWAYS*



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**Moses Evans** - April 07, 2016 at 10:55 AM

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“ *Deacon Barnes Was Such A Great Man,I Will Miss Seeing Him Teaching His Sunday School Class.And Also Seeing Him On Wednesday Night At Bible Class.After Sunday Class I Would Always Ask Him When He Was Going To Put Up His Grip.He Would Just Laugh And Go To Car.I Am Praying For The Barnes Family.Love Sister Queenie Wallace.*

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**Queenie Wallace** - April 07, 2016 at 09:39 AM