



## Mrs. Darlene Coursey

November 16, 1947 - December 17, 2018

### Her Story:

Darlene Donna Petty Coursey was born on November 16-17, 1947 in Ferndale, Michigan. She was the fifth child of nine siblings born to John B. Petty and Minister Frances Helen Petty. She was an active member of Zion Apostolic Church at a young age and then a member of Crossroads Victory Full Gospel Int'l (CVFGIC). Darlene was a successful wife, mother, grandmother, and a retired Veterans' Administration Hospital Registered Nurse [R.N.]. She graduated from Grant School in Ferndale and when the family moved to Detroit, she graduated from Durfee Middle School and Central High School. She worked at Crowley in Detroit, Michigan in Retail Sales in the China Department for several years. She furthered her education and graduated from JTPA School of Practical Nursing, becoming a State Licensed Practical Nurse [LPN]. She worked as a LPN employed at Veterans' Administration Hospital; and continued her education at Wayne County Community College District (WCCCD) while working at the VA Hospital.

She earned her Associate of Science Degree (A.A.S) from WCCCD as a Registered Nurse, and continued taking multiple courses at Washtenaw Community College and Wayne State University. She continued to work as a RN at John Dingell Veterans' Administration Hospital for over 25 years. After retirement from the VA, she worked as a RN for a short time at the State of Michigan Hospice Hospital encouraging and providing much comfort to many individuals during their last stages of life. Darlene loved working around her beautiful yard and was always genuine, loving, encouraging, and empowering family members and many others.

She was certified as a "Medical Missionary" at Crossroads Victory (CVFGIC) and a consultant for the Women's Justice Center (a domestic violence agency). Her dedicated husband, Earl Coursey [deceased] was a Construction Entrepreneur who loved and honored Darlene, ironing her uniforms and preparing her meals, always putting her on a pedestal.

# Previous Events

## Visitation Only

Thursday, Dec. **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Darlene Coursey*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM

ML

“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. May the God of all comfort embrace you with peace and hope during this difficult time. Rev 21:4*

**Ms Laverne** - December 20, 2018 at 05:42 PM

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“ *Thinking of you during your time of loss. May Darlene Rest In Peace. Love to the family.  
Novella Cockrel and Family*

**Novella** - December 20, 2018 at 04:54 PM

JM

“ *My condolences to the family of Darlene Coursey, a compassionate, intelligent woman with a beautiful soul and also my friend. She will be remembered and missed. James Moore*

**James Moore** - December 20, 2018 at 03:01 PM

BA

“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with you during this difficult time. Darlene was very precious to our family, and we will truly miss her, but thank God for the wonderful memories. Just lean on Jesus for strength, and rest in His peace. Mr. & Mrs. William P. Artis & Cynthia Artis*

**Beverly Artis** - December 20, 2018 at 02:15 PM

CO

“ *Cousin Jackie Elise Petty-DeLaney, Columbus Ohio purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Mrs. Darlene Coursey.*



**Cousin Jackie Elise Petty-DeLaney, Columbus Ohio** - December 20, 2018 at 01:19 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Darlene Coursey.*



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December 19, 2018 at 07:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Darlene Coursey.*



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December 19, 2018 at 07:16 PM

JP

“ *John & Evelyn Petty purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Mrs. Darlene Coursey.*



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**John & Evelyn Petty** - December 19, 2018 at 02:28 PM

PA

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. May God comfort you and hold you in His loving arms.*

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**Paula Artis** - December 19, 2018 at 12:30 PM

AJ

“ *May the Lord give your family comfort and peace during this difficult time. We love you! Ms. Angela Perry Johnson and Mother Ceola Perry.*

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**Angela Johnson** - December 19, 2018 at 09:10 AM