



Mr. David Pitts

July 4, 1938 - January 1, 2015

David's Journey:

David Pitts was born July 4, 1938 in Salem, Alabama to the late Norman Pitts, Sr. and his wife Estella Pinkard Pitts. David was one of fourteen children born to the couple, eleven boys and three girls. He was baptized at Weeping Mary Baptist Church as a child and began his walk with Christ which continued well into the later years of his life. He also spent his childhood performing chores on his father's farm alongside his brothers while progressing through school until his graduation from South Jirard High School in 1957.

Shortly after, David married Annie Ruth Seldon and from this union a daughter was born. After their divorce, David decided to join his brother John in Detroit, Michigan. He moved there and after working a handful of jobs, began employment at Chrysler in 1969 where he would later retire after thirty years of service. Also, David began work at Eureka Barbershop owned by the late Eddie Ellis. Eureka Barbershop was the first Black owned business on Puritan Avenue in Detroit and, because of David and Eddie's combined contributions, remained a viable business. Barbering was a trait shared by David and his brothers and he relished serving the community in that way. David maintained the legacy of Eureka Barbershop and managed the barbershop all the way until his untimely passing.

In 1966, David married Emma Jean Jones. This union would produce two

children. David loved to read books and had an incredible thirst for knowledge. He also had a quick wit, another trait shared by his brothers, and often confessed to being an avid “storyteller” when he needed to be, something he felt men must be able to do when working in a barbershop all day. He was also a 32nd Degree Mason.

Cemetery Details

Grand Lawn Cemetery

23501 Grand River
Detroit, MI 48219

Previous Events

Visitation

Thursday, Jan. **8.** 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

Friday, Jan. **9.** 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Masonic Service

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. David Pitts*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *My condolences to the Pitts Family. Mr. Pitts has been an intricate part of the community where he cut hair. Through his jokes and conversation there was never a dull moment. He will truly be missed!*

Marakisa Davis-Henderson - January 08, 2015 at 05:41 PM



“ *To the Pitts family, I am sorry for your loss. The death of a loved one is such a difficult trial for an entire family. We can be of comfort to one another, but it is God who comforts us all.*
Second Corinthians
1 verse 3 and 4

Rachel Pitts/Clyde's wife

Rachel Pitts - January 08, 2015 at 04:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. David Pitts.*



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