



Mrs. Dorothy Lee Pierce

October 8, 1943 - May 14, 2015

Dorothy's Journey:

A Time To Be Born:

Dorothy Lee Carter was born on October 8, 1943 in Proctor, Arkansas, to the union of Howard and Ruthie Mae Carter. Dorothy was the 5th child out of nine children. Dorothy accepted Christ at an early age at Greater Bethlehem Baptist Church where she and her sisters were some of the first youth members.

Dorothy was a woman of faith, inspirational and a motivator. She was always steadfast in her belief in Christ, active in her church, and a prayer partner to many. She ministered to many through her love, words and giving spirit.

A Time To Live:

Dorothy graduated from Southwestern High School in Detroit, Michigan and went on to obtain a Theology degree from Wayne State University. Dorothy was a bright and shining student and participated in the Co-op program that eventually landed her many employment opportunities. Dorothy married Frank Pierce, Jr. in August of 1965. To this union, two children were born a son, Terrence and daughter, Danielle.

Dorothy was vivacious, smart, and professional at all times. She could transcribe in shorthand with exceptional speed, and maintained this gift

throughout her career. She landed her first job with Continental Motors before being approached by Berry Gordy, Jr. to join Motown. In the Motown era Dorothy also was the epitome of Motown Style. She exemplified her style from her hair, to her smile, to her fashionable clothing, and very good taste. She was Supreme! She was an excellent seamstress; she could do hair, and organize things always in a perfect manner. She excelled in all she did.

After Motown she was the Program Director for The Academy for Gifted Children. She was a dedicated Administrator providing and overseeing an early childhood education curriculum, again excelling, making it a stellar program. "Dorothy, that's what she did."

Dorothy got on board with Amtrak in 1985 and was the "go to" person for her region. Dorothy was widely respected, loved her job, always professional and dependable. Dorothy was employed with Amtrak for 28 dedicated years before retiring in 2013.

A Time To Rest:

Dorothy, when faced with health challenges, continued to work and overcome the adversity of her illness. Despite her illness Dorothy remained cheerful, and committed to God's plan for her. In her voice you heard a woman of tremendous faith, and trust. She was a supportive mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. God requires a higher standard, and Dorothy truly exceeded that standard.

Cemetery Details

Grand Lawn Cemetery

23501 Grand River
Detroit, MI 48219

Previous Events

Family Hour

Tuesday, May **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Oakland Avenue Missionary Baptist Church
309 Harper Ave.
Detroit, MI 48202

Funeral Service

Tuesday, May **19**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Dorothy Lee Pierce*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Death is never an easy time. Please allow the scriptures to comfort you at this time. - Psalm 55:22*

Mrs, Deleston - May 28, 2015 at 10:41 AM



“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.*
Kym and Bill Quinn



Kym Quinn - May 26, 2015 at 07:58 AM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. May you find peace and hope in God's promises for all who mourn. Rev 21:4*

Ms Laverne - May 24, 2015 at 08:35 AM



“ *Heartfelt condolences to all those hurting from the loss of Ms. Dorothy. God bless you all!*

Jenifer Sexton - May 19, 2015 at 03:10 PM

MK

“ *What a beautiful lady and very good friend. I shall miss you.* ”



mike kenney - May 19, 2015 at 12:41 PM

AL

“ *Audrey Merriweather London lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Lee Pierce* ”



Audrey Merriweather London - May 18, 2015 at 06:01 PM

SA

“ *Stacey Abney Allen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Lee Pierce* ”



Stacey Abney Allen - May 18, 2015 at 05:00 PM

HA

“ *Howard & Pam Anthony lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Lee Pierce* ”



Howard & Pam Anthony - May 18, 2015 at 02:36 PM

DA

“ *Danielle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Lee Pierce*



Danielle - May 18, 2015 at 03:16 AM

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“ *Yvonne Young lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dorothy Lee Pierce*



Yvonne Young - May 17, 2015 at 07:24 AM

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*My heart is heavy with the pain of your loss. May you find comfort in knowing that you have friends that are there for you. If you need anything just remember that I'm only a call away.
All My Love To You & Your Family
Yvonne Young*

Yvonne Young - May 17, 2015 at 07:36 AM