



## Mr. Edward James Harden

April 17, 1935 - October 5, 2016

Celebrating The Life Of Edward James Harden:

Edward James Harden was born on April 17, 1935 in Brinkley, Arkansas. He was the fifth child born to the union of James Benton Harden and Margaret Newell Harden. He attended Lakeview High School and after graduating in 1953, he enlisted in the United States Army. He fought in the Korean War and was honorably discharged in 1955. He served the remainder of his 8 year term in the United States Army Reserves.

At the age of 20, Edward migrated to Michigan to take advantage of the employment opportunities in the auto industry. He was hired at Verhoven Chevrolet Dealership and then at Ewald Steel Company. He later became a Licensed Journeyman at Great Lakes Steel. He was a welder and pipe fitter and spent his career there until he retired on July 31, 1999. Even in retirement, Edward wanted to stay active. He worked as a school bus driver for Safeway Transportation until his final retirement in 2011.

Edward joined First Baptist Church of Oneida (Arkansas) at age 10, but in 2003, while living in Detroit, Michigan, he decided to join the True Spirit of Love Missionary Baptist Church. As the Chairman of the Deacon Board and a choir member, he was very active in his church until his health began to fail mid summer of this year. He loved going to church every Sunday and often on Wednesday nights for Prayer Meeting and Bible study.

Edward, known as "Sunny" because of his sunny demeanor, loved travelling and watching all kinds of sports on television. In fact, he would sit on the living room couch and watch sports all day! He also loved keeping up with current events by reading the newspaper, bike riding, playing pool, and eating soul food.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

19807 Woodward Ave  
Detroit, MI 48203

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

Saturday, Oct. **15**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

True Spirit of Love Missionary Baptist Church  
16301 W. McNichols  
Detroit, MI 48235

## Funeral Service

Saturday, Oct. **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Edward James Harden*

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January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. Death is mankinds greatest enemy, it claims the lives of those we love. May you find comfort in Jesus words, "I am the resurrection and the life."-John 11:25*

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