



## Mrs. Ernestine Williams

April 9, 1928 - October 15, 2017

### Earnestine's Life Story:

Earnestine Ivory was born on Monday, April 9, 1928 to Earnest and Ella Mae Ivory, in Marion, Alabama. Her parents and brother, William preceded her in death.

The family moved from Alabama to Lorado, West Virginia and Earnestine spent her formative years in Lorado. She accepted Christ at the First Baptist Church of Lorado and was educated in the Logan County School District. She was married to Louis Starks with whom she had three children, Harold, Julia and Laurine.

In March of 1953, Earnestine along with her family made their final move to Detroit, Michigan and united with the Gethsemane Baptist Church and later joined Second Ebenezer Baptist Church.

After moving to Detroit, Earnestine devoted her time to nurturing and raising her three children, knowing that, there was no way to be a perfect mother but tried to be a good one.

Later a new chapter in Earnestine's life began. She met and married Hytower Williams and shortly after moved to Mettetal Street. Earnestine was a very caring neighbor on Mettetal Street, loved by all you came to know her. In

addition to being neighborly, she was the Mettetal informer. A neighbor once said, "If you wanted to know what was happening on Mettetal, ask Mrs. Williams or her close friend, Mrs. Callie Pearl Thomas." She will be remembered for her superb baking and canning skills, especially her pound cakes, monkey bread and canning her tasty pickles.

After moving to the west side of Detroit, she joined, Liberty Temple Baptist Church. She was an active member of the 50 Plus Club. After the organization of Christian Fellowship of Love, by Rev. Samuel Thompson, she joined the new organized ministry.

She truly loved music and played the piano. Two of her favorite hymns were: "Amazing Grace" and "At The Cross." Her favorite scripture was Proverbs 3: 5-6.

She will be truly missed by her loved ones and friends. Earnestine departed this life peacefully at the age of 89 to abide with her Heavenly Father on Sunday, October 15, 2017 at 12:10 a.m. in the Boxford Continuing Care Facility.

# Cemetery Details

## Grand Lawn Cemetery

23501 Grand River  
Detroit, MI 48219

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

Friday, Oct. **20**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Christian Fellowship of Love Baptist Church  
22400 Grand River Ave.  
Detroit, MI 48219

## Funeral Service

Friday, Oct. **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Ernestine Williams*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *My love, thoughts and prayers go out to my extended family. Steen was truly a sweetheart and will be sorely missed...eventhough I was her granddaughter through her marriage to the late Hytower Williams, she always showed me loved and kindness. May she rest peacefully and may God provide comfort to all who hold her near and dear in their hearts. Until we meet again. Love you Hunni ❤️*

**LaKesha Williams** - October 20, 2017 at 06:33 PM



“ *My sympathy to the family. Recall pleasant memories that you shared with your loved one. May you find comfort in Jesus words, "I am the resurrection and the life."-John 11:25*

**M. Tuffy** - October 20, 2017 at 10:48 AM



“ *Lynn Young lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ernestine Williams*



**Lynn Young** - October 18, 2017 at 09:21 AM

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“ I'm sorry to hear of your families loss, may you find comfort in knowing that soon God will act in our behalf to end sickness and death forever. Isaiah 25:8

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**Andrea** - October 18, 2017 at 06:57 AM

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“ I am so very sorry for your loss May the God of all comfort embrace you with peace and hope as we all look forward to the time when even death will be no more. Rev 21:4

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**Ms Laverne** - October 18, 2017 at 06:55 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ernestine Williams.



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October 18, 2017 at 06:29 AM

MM

“ I'm sorry for your loss. May your hearts be comforted during this very sad time. Revelations 21:3-5. The hand of our grand creator is always there for us to grab hold of. Pray for strength Isaiah 41:10-13.

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**Mrs. Malone** - October 17, 2017 at 10:24 AM

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“ Earnestine (Steen) had such a wonderful loving spirit. I will truly miss her laughter, you could really tell she enjoyed life. I remember visiting her on her last birthday when she turned 89. She told my sister and me about how 3 squirrels got into her house, she heard something in the hallway and went to look and there they were...as if they lived there. We asked if she was scared and she said "hunnnny nawww...I picked up a broom and chased them and one jumped on my chest and I punched him and hunnnny he ran up the chimney, the other ran up the stairs, and they had messed all over my coffee table and floor, I was so mad I didn't have time to be scared."

*We all laughed, and I told her I would have freaked out! But, that was an example of her tenacious, courageous, and bold, spirit she had--no one was going to scare her out of her home. I will always remember her fun-loving ways, and the stories that she told so well that always begin with "Hunnnny!" Rest well Steen, you can now be with the Lord and see the rest of your family as well. Say 'Hi' to Dad for me. Love you always!*

Your step-daughter  
Lynn



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Lynn Young - October 16, 2017 at 04:52 PM