



Mr. Gerald Jerome Benson Sr.

April 20, 1957 - March 14, 2024

In Loving Memory Of

Gerald Jerome Benson Sr. was born on April 20, 1957, in Detroit, MI. Raised by his mother and father, Gwendolyn and Carl, alongside his sister Tina and brothers Gregory and Terry. Gerald was instilled with unwavering family values from a young age. His upbringing emphasized the importance of protecting one another, a duty Gerald took to heart. It became a well-known fact in their neighborhood that no one dared to cross them because Gerald stood as their steadfast protector.

He graduated from McKenzie High School, but met his sweetheart, Ronia, long before highschool. Their love blossomed into a lifelong partnership and marriage, spanning over 44 years. The Lord blessed them with three children: Lyvette, LaRae, and Gerald Jr.

Gerald loved life! Whether it was skating, vibing out to 2 Pac, or dancing to his favorite jams, he embraced every moment with joy. Yet, above all, his greatest source of happiness was being surrounded by his family.

In addition to the family members mentioned above, Gerald leaves behind a legacy cherished by many. He is survived by his mother-in-law, Ms. Linnette Moore, step-father, Mr. Calvin Arnold, beloved Aunt Ula and Uncle Rodgers. And a multitude of loved ones, including six grandchildren, NaJae, Imani, Emon, Antonio, Amiah, and Taneya as well as three “bonus” grandchildren. Among those left to honor his memory are also his nieces and nephews: Rico, Antwane, Tiana, April, Kameron, Karmen, Kerry, Kayla, and Audree. Gerald’s

family circle further extends to include his daughter-in-law, Sonia, and his sons-in-law, Eric and Joey and many other relatives and close friends. In his passing, Gerald Jerome Benson Sr. leaves behind not only cherished memories but also an enduring legacy of love, laughter, and unwavering dedication to family. Though he may no longer walk among us, his spirit will forever remain a guiding light in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

Previous Events

Visitation

Tuesday, Mar. **19**. 3:00 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

Wednesday, Mar. **20**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

Wednesday, Mar. **20**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JS

“ sorry for your lost may god be with from mr &MRS JAMES SHAW

james e shaw e shaw - March 20, 2024 at 10:20 PM

LT

“ Lori Turner lit a candle in memory of Gerald Benson



Lori Turner - March 20, 2024 at 10:12 AM

JW

“ Jeanette Williams lit a candle in memory of Gerald Benson



Jeanette Williams - March 19, 2024 at 08:21 PM

KM

“ My heart breaks for you and your family Ronia. Although I never met Gerald in person I felt like I knew him. I know how much you loved him and how he loved you from our conversations at work. He was the center/foundation and I know the devastation is almost unbearable. Trust that God will take care of you guys. He will heal your hearts. Hold on to all your many memories and one day you will be able to smile again when you talk about him. The smiles will out weigh the tears. Love Kim

kimberly Miller - March 19, 2024 at 12:06 PM

TF

“ May the words of our Heavenly Father give you comfort & peace during this challenging time of sorrow.

The Wallace Family



The Wallace Family - March 19, 2024 at 07:30 AM

TF

“ The White Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Gerald Jerome Benson Sr..



The White Family - March 18, 2024 at 04:13 PM

FF

“ From The Rayner Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Gerald Jerome Benson Sr..



From The Rayner Family - March 18, 2024 at 03:36 PM

GS

“ On behalf of all the brothers of Gamma Eta Sigma, We extend our deepest condolences to you and your family on the loss of your father. Losing a parent is an incredibly difficult experience, and we want you to know that we are here to support you during this challenging time.

Your father was undoubtedly a remarkable person and his memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

Please remember that the bond of brotherhood extends beyond just our shared experiences in Phi Beta Sigma. We are here to offer a shoulder to lean on, a listening ear, or simply a comforting presence whenever you need it.

May you find comfort in the cherished memories you shared with your father, and may the love and support of your brothers and loved ones help you through this period of grief.

With heartfelt condolences,

Gamma Eta Sigma - March 18, 2024 at 11:45 AM

JH

It's been 50 years. I saw you in 2020 when Mom died. You came to pay your respects during the pandemic. I'll never forget. Northlawn Forever! My deepest condolences to the wonderful family you and R have. Love Janet L Hawkins

Janet L Hawkins - March 18, 2024 at 08:39 PM