



## Mrs. Mary Levonia Mulkey

April 21, 1928 - January 5, 2024

In Loving Memory Of

Mary Levonia Tarpley was born on April 21, 1928, in Detroit, Michigan to Garfield Homer and Mary Ann Tarpley.

Mary accepted Christ at an early age and later was Baptized at Messiah Missionary Baptist Church.

Mary, the eldest of 7 siblings, grew up on the Eastside of Detroit where she attended Detroit Public Schools then later pursued her passion as a Seamstress.

Mary met the love of her life, Horace "Shorty" Mulkey, and they joined in holy matrimony December 8, 1961. Both uncle Shorty and auntie Mary, as we all affectionately called them, loved spending time with family. Ensuring we had our annual Tarpley family reunion at Belle Isle. Mary and her sisters shared the role of preparing and attending Sunday dinner at Nannie's house on Cameron. Our family has always and continues to be very close.

Since Mary was a homemaker, and Horace was deployed to the service to protect and serve our country, Mary spent a lot of her time baking and sewing. Her passion led her to accept local Seamstress jobs in their neighborhood.

Her other passion-baking! She loved to bake, and of course, the family could not wait to eat whatever she made. Especially her famous lemon cake!

Mary had a vision! She decided to take her faith to a higher level and enrolled in Ministry school. She graduated with honors, top five of her class and received her credentials in 1998 from Word of Faith Ministry School. What a

proud moment!

Mary departed this life, making her transition on January 5, 2024, at the age of ninety-five.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

Wednesday, Jan. **17**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O.H. Pye III  
17600 Plymouth Road  
Detroit  
Detroit, MI 48227

## Celebration of Life

Thursday, Jan. **18**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. May God comfort you through his word the Bible and the gift of prayer. Thinking of you all.

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**Evans family** - January 24, 2024 at 09:01 AM

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“ We are going to miss you so much Auntie, Get your rest beautiful



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**Kellie Delores Burns** - January 17, 2024 at 10:21 AM

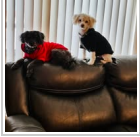
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**Kellie Delores Burns** - January 17, 2024 at 10:14 AM



“ *We love you!*”



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**Timika Ambrose** - January 15, 2024 at 12:50 PM