



Mr. Michael Jerome Hurston

March 22, 1949 - June 30, 2024

In Loving Memory Of

Michael Jerome Hurston, a loving and devoted son, husband, father, stepfather, grandfather, brother, and uncle, was born on March 22, 1949, in Detroit, Michigan to Nathaniel Arthur Hurston and Sue Ellen Hurston (Gaut). On June 30, 2024, Michael went home to be with the Lord.

Michael's life was a testament to his unwavering faith and commitment to service. He accepted Christ at a young age and was baptized at Clinton Street Greater Bethlehem Temple Church in Detroit. Later in life he remained active in his church community, continuing to fellowship under Pastor Aaron Beal at New St. John Missionary Baptist Church.

From his earliest years, Michael displayed a remarkable sense of concern, responsibility, and a strong work ethic. Sensing a need to support his mother and siblings, he always found ways to earn money and took on various odd jobs, including several paper routes, and, while still in high school, working in downtown Detroit business offices, and night shifts at a retail store. You might be thinking, when did he sleep?

Michael attended the Detroit Public School system and graduated from Southeastern High School in 1967. After high school graduation, he went to work at the same company as his father, Bower Roller Bearing Company. After a short stint at Bower Roller Bearing, he went to work for the Chrysler Corporation at the Lynch Road Assembly Plant as a production line worker and worked his way up to various executive level positions until his retirement

as a Human Resources Manager in 2005 after working more than 30 years with Chrysler.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Michael cherished his passions for sports, especially golf, baseball, and bowling. He was a familiar face on the golf course and the bowling alley, always enjoying these activities with enthusiasm. When not engaged in sports, he loved cooking and sharing his delicious dishes, watching sports and old movies on TV, and being a great neighbor to all.

Michael's greatest sources of pride were his family, his college degrees, and helping others. He earned both his bachelor's and master's Degrees from Central Michigan University and dedicated himself to transforming lives by personally recruiting and securing jobs for a countless number of individuals at Chrysler Automotive. His firmness, fairness, and generosity endeared him to all who knew him. He was known for his directness, love for his dog Scottie, and his willingness to help others without hesitation, whether through advice, financial support, or contributions to charitable causes – if he knew of projects that helped the underprivileged, he would contribute mightily without being asked.

Michael will be deeply missed by his beloved wife Bellesy; his daughter MarcShaun Spencer Hurston-Gilchrist; stepdaughters Ta'mara Guthridge-Lewis (Ke'vin) and Antionette Jones; four grandchildren Michael, Ajaz, Marshaun, D'Juan; and his siblings Beverly Hurston, Barbara Foster, Nancy Hurston-Carter, Melvin (Janice) Hurston, and Karl (Debra) Hurston. He was preceded in death by his mother Sue Ellen, father Nathaniel, sister Brenda Hurston-Feggins, and nephew Mark Feggins.

In addition to his immediate family, Michael leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and his cherished four-legged companion "Romio". His legacy of love, generosity, and dedication to family and community will forever be remembered. Michael Jerome Hurston's life was a testament to love, devotion, and selflessness. His memory will continue to inspire all who were fortunate enough to know him.

Cemetery Details

Acacia Park Cemetery

31300 Southfield Road
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Previous Events

Visitation

Tuesday, Jul. **9**. 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, Jul. **10**. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
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Funeral Service

Wednesday, Jul. **10**. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr Hurston was a beloved customer and friend of the Zak Computers team.
He always had a smile on his face and seemed like a very peaceful person.
Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

Corey - December 09, 2024 at 11:59 AM

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“ *The Terry & Washington Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Michael Jerome Hurston.*



The Terry & Washington Family - July 11, 2024 at 11:54 AM

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“ *Heartfelt condolences 🌸 and prayers for strength and comfort.
Always appreciated his generosity and kindness. Brenda Braceful*

Brenda Braceful - July 10, 2024 at 11:44 AM



“ *Uncle Michael, you will be truly missed! Hurston family, although not there in person, we are definitely there with you in spirit and love.
Sending our best wishes and prayers as you go through grief and ultimately celebration of life for Uncle Michael.
Love Andre, Gwen, Paige and Paris*

Gwen Vincent-Hurston - July 09, 2024 at 06:17 PM

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“ To the Hurston and Guthridge Family... your UAW Local 1700 family and friends extend our sincerest condolences. Words can't mend your heartache but those who care and share your loss you comfort and peace. Sister Bellesy Guthridge - Hurston and the entire Guthridge / Hurston Family, know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

UAW Local 1700 Leadership, Retiree Chapter and Chaplaincy Committee

UAW Local 1700 - July 09, 2024 at 10:37 AM



“ To the Hurston family: Know that God saw Him getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around Him and whispered "come to me." With tearful eyes you watched, and saw Him pass away. Although you loved Him dearly, you could not make Him stay. A loving heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest. God broke your heart to prove to you, he only takes the BEST!
*God Bless your Family,
Bro. Dwight Clark and Family*

Jonathan Clark - July 09, 2024 at 10:12 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. Michael Jerome Hurston.



July 08, 2024 at 10:26 AM

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“ *Emerald Creek Residents planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Michael Jerome Hurston.*

Emerald Creek Residents - July 08, 2024 at 10:26 AM