



Mr. Johnnie Alexander Bassett

October 9, 1935 - August 4, 2012

No obituary found for this tribute.

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Aug. **10**. 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

Service

Saturday, Aug. **11**. 11:00 AM (ET)

New St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church
24331 W. 8 Mile Road
Detroit, MI 48219

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Johnnie Alexander Bassett*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *May the hope at Isaiah 25:8 bring the Bassett family much comfort, here God assures us that death will be swallowed up or removed from all the earth. This is something that we can look forward to in the near future.##imported-begin##Ariel##imported-end##*

August 17, 2012 at 07:26 AM



“ *You are missed my Friend!!!##imported-begin##Cornell C. Batie##imported-end##*

August 14, 2012 at 10:26 PM



“ *The sound of your music will truly be missed, rest Johnnie.##imported-begin##PAULA WASHINGTON##imported-end##*

August 14, 2012 at 06:52 PM



“ My mother, Leonie Parker was very sorry she was not able to attend the funeral services for Johnnie. He was a very dear friend to her and she misses him very much. Her prayers and thoughts are with his family.

Tammy Hewitt/

Leonie Parker##imported-begin##Leonie Parker/Tammy Hewitt##imported-end##

August 13, 2012 at 08:23 AM



“ Mr. Bassett was a true gentile (gentleman) man in every sense of the word. He was one of my dad's Masonic Lodge brothers and whenever I encountered him at the Lodge Hall or one of his many shows, he always made me feel special.

He will be greatly missed by me and my family.

Ms. Sheila Nelson - daughter of deceased Masonic Brother Herbert Nelson

Thoughts and prayers to the entire Bassett Family.##imported-begin##Ms. Sheila Nelson##imported-end##

August 12, 2012 at 03:16 PM



“ I was so sorry to read of the lost of your dear loved one.
It seems so unfair that death should have the power to take away
someone we love.

*And when it happens, the thought of never again being able to talk,
to laugh with, or hold your loved one can be most difficult to bear.
Many are resting now, until their name is called in the “resurrection”.
Oh yes, Jesus Christ boldly promised: “The hour is coming in which
all those in the memorial tombs will hear his [Jesus’] voice and
come out.” (John 5:21, 28, 29)*

*Since Jesus made the promise, it is safe to assume that he is willing
and able to do so. His father, Almighty God has promised us at
Revelation 21:4, "he will wipe out every tear from their eyes and
Death will be no more....."*

*May you find comfort and faith in these scriptures for he "cannot lie."
(Titus1:2)##imported-begin##Dorothy Carroll##imported-end##*

August 12, 2012 at 12:55 PM



“ To the Bassett family, my prayers are with you and to Johnnie, thank
you for the friendship and great music.
God Bless You all##imported-begin##Denise Nichols##imported-
end##

August 11, 2012 at 12:23 PM



“ Your music will play on through us, Johnnie. Rest in peace.

Denny##imported-begin##Denny Stilwell##imported-end##

August 11, 2012 at 10:09 AM



“ Condolences to the family/friends of Johnnie Bassett, because of out of state obligations I won't be able to be in attendance. However prayer will be sent to all involved in todays activities. RIP Johnnie , thanks for the music inspiration you gave me. Peace & Blues PM###imported-begin##Paul J.Miles##imported-end##

August 11, 2012 at 07:36 AM



“ Johnnie Bassett will be missed and remembered by people all over this world... we will hear him in the notes of a blues song, the riffs of a guitar,the lyrics of a song ... he'll be the smile on our face, the whisper of the breeze, the sun smiling through trees ... Family, as you go through the process of surrendering your Beloved to God's eternal care know that the thoughts and prayers of the Deering Family are with you and we pray that God hastens His comforter the Holy Spirit to cover you with the balm of peace that passes all human understanding! Truly, 'Earth holds no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal...'###imported-begin##Valerie Elaine Deering##imported-end##

August 11, 2012 at 01:46 AM



“ May God Bless the family. Jonnie was simply the greatest.###imported-begin##Gene Dunlap##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 08:49 PM



“ Thank you for all of your support and words of wisdom. I am thankful to God for allowing our paths to cross- you made a difference in my life , you helped me find my way out of the dark. That's what God wanted you to do for me. I am so glad that you witnessed me in that place...happy. I really hope I fulfilled what He wanted me to do for you. You will be missed here. So as I celebrate your life, specifically the time I was allowed to share with you- I will laugh, I will cry and then I will smile because I am blessed. See you later my friend.

~Tia##imported-begin##Tia Turner##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 08:23 PM



“ Johnnie was a special soul and I am thankful to have met him during his time. His music touched so many folks and his gentle personality was transparent in his notes. Thank you, Johnnie, for your inspiration both on and off the stage.##imported-begin##Chris Brantley##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 04:21 PM



“ May you continue to sing the blues in heaven....I will remember you always##imported-begin##Nora Hudson##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 03:57 PM



“ I wish to extend my sincere condolences to the family.##imported-begin##Sis. Irma Tatum##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 03:39 PM



“ I had the distinct pleasure of working with Johnnie at our Project Blues Bash in September of 2011 and at our Blues For A Cure show in 2009. Johnnie was a consummate pro, and gentleman and a great Bluesman. He put on a clinic at both of our shows. I was looking forward to taking him for a ride in my 1958 Cadillac on his next visit down to Columbus. I will really miss johnnie and cherish my memories with him.##imported-begin##Mike "Bear" Berichon##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 01:57 PM



“ May He Rest in Peace.

To the family, remember that," Earth has no sorrows, which Heaven can't heal."

Look ever to the hills from whence commeth your help, for your help comes from the Lord.... you are in my heart and prayers.

Be Blessed.##imported-begin##Rev. Jimmy Ellis##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 12:07 PM



“ Deborah,

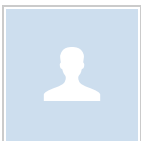
I just heard the news yesterday while attending a Pierson House Reunion gathering and my heart goes out to you during this time! I was just thinking of you guys a couple of weeks ago and the great times we had at Pierson House when Johnnie played there. I remember thinking I should try contacting you but didn't get around to it (unfortunately). I guess Johnnie & Joel are finally together again - they were such great friends for so many years. I know I won't be able to attend the services, but I do plan to get by Pye for the viewing this evening. I hope to see you there. But if I miss you, please feel free to contact me (once you have gathered your composure) so we can get together and keep in touch. My cell phone is still the same and, hopefully, the one I have for you is still current. If not, please email me with the new one. Hope to see you soon!##imported-begin##Angie Melhado##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 11:58 AM



“ *While we are saddened by his passing, Johnnie's musical performances will remain in our hearts forever. Our condolences extend to his family and friends worldwide. West Michigan Blues Society##imported-begin##Becky Richards##imported-end##*

August 10, 2012 at 07:58 AM



“ *Another great "gone too soon" My heart and prayers are with Johnnie's family and host of friends.##imported-begin##Herman Curry##imported-end##*

August 10, 2012 at 07:49 AM



“ All my best....I don't know what to say. God bless##imported-begin##Christopher Rumel##imported-end##

August 10, 2012 at 01:17 AM



“ A spectacular talent has been become silent, but will remain forever in the hearts and memories of those who passed his way.##imported-begin##Pamela Smith##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 10:26 PM



“ To the Bro Bassett and the surviving loved ones, I remember Bro Bassett was always so pleasant and stayed on top of things, I remember who wouldn't let me forget about making his business cards to promote his blues which he loved as he did his family and his Masonic Family, glad we can listen to your music and allow your memories to remain fond in our hearts, R.I.P. my Brother, Sis Tonia L Jackson##imported-begin##Tonia L. Jackson##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 09:51 PM



“ We will meet again Johnnie. Save a seat for me. Sit down with the legends and swap some tales and share some music. God bless your spirit eternally.##imported-begin##'Sweet Claudette' Harrell-Manning##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 06:37 PM



“ We love you and your family and you will be our prayers always. During this difficult time you will find peace and comfort in knowing how much you are loved. Always turn to God as the leader in your life.

Valerie and Louie Muse

14852 Winthrop

Detroit, MI 48227

313-273-3064

Please call us and we can stay in touch.##imported-begin##Valerie and Louie Muse##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 06:11 PM



“ On behalf of the DL Media family, we're very sorry to hear of Johnnie's passing. We've lost one of the last truly impactful blues musicians, his history as a stand out guitarist speaks for itself. Our condolences go out to family and friends of the Gentleman of Blues.##imported-begin##DL Media##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 05:25 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family!##imported-begin##Diane Rogers##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 04:37 PM



“ Rest in PEACE, my Brother!##imported-begin##Skip Green##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 03:45 PM



“ You are missed very much, and I am thankful that I was able to call you my friend for over 15 years.##imported-begin##Heather Muir##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 02:44 PM



“ Peace & Blessings to the family of Johnnie Bassett. You have my deepest sympathy and prayers.##imported-begin##Mia Johnson##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 02:28 PM



“ To The Family, Our deepest Sympathy goes out to you in the passing of Mr. Bassett from The Chris Kelly Show on svmixmedia.com##imported-begin##Chris Kelly##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 02:06 PM



“ His greatest joy clearly was making others happy through his music. As a fan, I know that Johnny will always be as close as a memory of song to us, and this planet will not be the same without him. Our hearts are with you.##imported-begin##Cliff Coleman##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 01:55 PM



“ To Johnnie's family: May God comfort you during your time of grief. It was a blessing and an honor for me to know Johnnie Bassett. He was ALWAYS so friendly and supportive to me. I loved him. What a great gentleman he was. He will be remembered, not only as an incredible musician and entertainer, but also as one of the world's nicest guys! He was adored by so many people - family, close friends and fans. We are fortunate to have the awesome recordings that he made to remind us of his greatness and charm. What a great legacy he leaves behind! He lived a good life and made the world a better place! Thank you, Johnnie!##imported-begin##Paul Keller##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 01:46 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Johnnie Bassett. Johnnie is a great artist. His new life has begun in a home full of colored filled rooms,lots of music, laughter, friends and happy days.##imported-begin##Naima and George Shamborguer##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 01:15 PM



“ You were such a fabulous musician and a gentle spirit. Loved talking with you and learning your history.

Rest Well

Gee##imported-begin##Gisele Caver##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 01:05 PM



“ You was a true talent Johnnie.

A fan from the UK

RIP##imported-begin##Aja##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 12:48 PM



“ To the family of Johnny,

May God bless you and give you strength during this time of loss. I truly enjoyed the times that I spent with Johnny. Just recently we did a outdoor gig together that was just a lot of fun. I will miss him. He was a sweet, talented and wonderful man. I hope he is apart of the ever growing jam session filled with people that have gone before him. Say hi to my parents Johnnie...##imported-begin##Gayelynn McKinney##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 11:52 AM



“ Had the pleasure and privilege of playing with Johnnie. My prayers and deepest sympathy go out to family and friends. may faith and grace be with you.##imported-begin##Mike Evans##imported-end##

August 09, 2012 at 11:49 AM



“ *Mr. Bassett, you were an inspiration. Your spirit lives strong and thank you for the many great years of music.... your voice lives on forever. Your amazing and our circle of friends will never be the same without you.##imported-begin##Emily Farkas##imported-end##*

August 09, 2012 at 09:05 AM



“ *Bassett Family, We are send our prayers to Johnnie's Family. He loved his guitar. It smoothe our minds. He could really play that guitar. Johnnie and his music will be missed by so many people. May you find comfort and peace in your precious memories of him for they are priceless. Psa. 34:18-Jehovah is near to those that are broken at heart. And those who are crushed in spirit he saves.##imported-begin##The Brown's##imported-end##*

August 09, 2012 at 07:23 AM



“ *I never had the pleasure of meeting Johnnie,however I've known his wife for nearly 4 decades.He must have been an incredible man to be loved by so many.May he rest in eternal peace.##imported-begin##Kris Sherman-Burns ##imported-end##*

August 08, 2012 at 08:27 PM



“ *I was fortunate enough to have many friendly encounters with the man & his music. Johnnie Bassett was not only the finest exponent of swinging Detroit blues, but one of the nicest men ever. We all mourn his loss, for he was truly one-of-a-kind. I'll miss him every day until I am gone. R.I.P. J.B. :-##imported-begin##Michael G. Nastos##imported-end##*

August 08, 2012 at 04:08 PM



“ *Johnnie, you will be sorely missed as one of the greatest musicians ever, and even more so as a wonderful person. Thank you for your efforts that left such a great musical legacy for us all to enjoy for years to come. Condolences to your friends and family.##imported-begin##Joe Ballor##imported-end##*

August 08, 2012 at 09:32 AM



“ *To the Bassett Family:*

I would like to extend my deepest sympathies in your loss I really enjoyed listening to Johnnie play when I saw him live in concert, may you find some comfort during this time!
with love,
Benjamin B. Murray##imported-begin##Bennjamin Murray
##imported-end##

August 08, 2012 at 08:41 AM



“ *The Measure Of A Man (2011)*

*The measure of a man
Is not in a number of scores
Or the record of loves in a lifetime
The number of times he hung up without speaking
The measure of a man
Isn't in his educational attainment
Or the number of patches on a letterman jacket
It isn't the people who claim him
Because he was popular
It isn't the courts he served on
Or his leadership abilities
It isn't his competitors glories
It isn't his spiritual gifts
It isn't his decisiveness
The measure of a man
Is in his love's eyes
It is the committment to love he shows daily
It is his determination to not abandon her
the measure of a man
Is in his character
His values and determination
It's in his consistency
The measure of a man
isn't in how often he grunts
Or in the strength of his arms
But in the defense of his heart
Becasue a real man isn't afraid to try
He takes the chance because it's you he already loves
A real man would rather die for love
then live one day without it
A real man loves with his soul
Because a real man is God's Obedient Child
and that makes all the difference##imported-begin##Steve
Allen##imported-end##*

August 08, 2012 at 07:23 AM



“ Our Heavenly Father, Jehovah knows how deep our grief is. We long for the touch of a hand, the sound of a voice that has been silenced. He is merciful and kind. He will comfort our grieving hearts and wipe the tears from our eyes. He understands us, because he created us. (Revelation 7:16-17) He is the one who tells us: (Isaiah 41:10 & 13) “For I am your God, I am grasping your right hand, the One saying to you, ‘Do not be afraid. I myself will help you.’”
###imported-begin###Mrs. Malone###imported-end###

August 08, 2012 at 06:41 AM



“ Dear Family: When a loved one dies, no matter how old or how young they may be, it affects every fiber of our emotions, our very being. That's because losing a loved one to death brings us face-to-face with the fact that they are gone...all too soon... and we are helpless to do anything about it! (Psalm 49:7). But there is One who is not 'helpless' in the face of death...Jehovah God. And, he promises us in his Word, the Bible, that soon he will lovingly wipe the tears from our faces because death will be no more. (Revelation 21:4) Instead, there will be tears of joy as he proceeds to awaken our loved ones from the sleep of death (John 5:28,29; 11: 11-14) What a wonderful time that will be when we are reunited with our loved ones and can look forward to living out our days, here on earth, as God originally intended, in peace (Psalm 37:11, :29) free of sickness (Isaiah 33:24) and yes, free of death! (Isaiah 25:8) My deepest sympathy to you. .
###imported-begin###joyce jones###imported-end###

August 08, 2012 at 06:40 AM



“ *By any measure, Johnnie was one of a kind.##imported-begin##Tim Brockett##imported-end##*

August 08, 2012 at 01:11 AM



“ *R.I.P. my friend...you will be missed!##imported-begin##Sol Garrett##imported-end##*

August 07, 2012 at 11:24 PM



“ *Dear Deborah: My heart goes out to you regarding the loss of your husband during these hours of bereavement. My heart is heavy for you right now and I hope that God will bless and keep you with peace being unto you always! I won't be able to attend the services due to some important business but I will see you as soon as possible.
Love You, Sandra Martin##imported-begin##Sandra Martin##imported-end##*

August 07, 2012 at 09:29 PM



“ *I am sorry not to be able to attend the services due to my own illness. Johnnie was always the bright spot in a day anytime you saw him, or especially hearing him play.Always the gentleman, I will miss him dearly, as we all will. My very very best to you all in this time of loss.##imported-begin##Carl Henry##imported-end##*

August 07, 2012 at 07:13 PM