



## Mr. Joshua Marcus Williams

October 8, 1916 - October 21, 2008

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Joshua M. Williams Scholarship Fund, Just the Beginning Foundation, at 233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 6600, Chicago, Illinois 60606. Website: <http://www.JTBF.org> and then click on "Contribute."

# Previous Events

## Service

Saturday, Nov. 8. 12:30 PM (ET)

Detroit Unity Temple  
17505 Second Blvd.  
Detroit, MI 48203

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Joshua Marcus Williams*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Rosa:*

*May the peace of Christ be a comfort to you. I will miss seeing him wait for you after church. God's blessings to you.##imported-begin##Cecelia Tolliver##imported-end##*

November 18, 2008 at 02:03 PM



“ *Our thoughts are with you and your family Drue. What a long life, how great that is. In spirit-##imported-begin##Chandra and the young ones##imported-end##*

November 09, 2008 at 01:48 AM



“ *In our prayers.##imported-begin##The Oden Family##imported-end##*

November 08, 2008 at 01:51 AM



“ *PRECIOUS MEMORIES ... Oh how they linger... Memories too precious to forget. May our Lord bring you comfort during this time of sorrow. Remember to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. May Marcus rest in peace with our Lord until we meet again. You have my deepest sympathy. Love, Alice*###imported-begin###*Dr. Alice Perry Smith*###imported-end###

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November 08, 2008 at 12:47 AM



“ *Dear Drew,*

*May the good Lord give you and your family strength and comfort, and bless you to remember all the joy your dad brought to you. Love, Burt*###imported-begin###*Burt Sands*###imported-end###

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November 07, 2008 at 10:04 PM



“ *Quiet strength, endurance in difficult times, proud, proud father and grandfather, dignity beyond measure, a teacher at all times....the memory of Mr. Williams (and his family) remain close to my heart.*

*Ann, David and family, Marsha and Drue,  
Please know that I will be with you in spirit as you share memories and honor your Dad.*

*Love, Chris*###imported-begin###*Christine (Latka) Goldberg*###imported-end###

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November 07, 2008 at 09:54 PM



“ Dear Family,

*We ask our lord and savior to keep you during this time of your beloved's transition. May God's love saturate you.*

*In his matchless name##imported-begin##Mr. And Mrs. Leon David Thomas##imported-end##*

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November 07, 2008 at 08:35 PM



“ To the Williams Family--

*So sorry to hear of your loss. May God be with you during this difficult time.*

*In sympathy,  
Sherry Griffin##imported-begin##Sherry Griffin##imported-end##*

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November 07, 2008 at 03:17 PM



“ Dear Marcia,

*My deepest sympathies on the loss of your father. May the memories of a full and rich life continue to comfort and sustain you.*

*Fondly, Olga##imported-begin##Olga Jackson-Morgan##imported-end##*

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November 07, 2008 at 01:12 PM



“ *Drue and Family; my heartfelt sincere condolences to you. My heart is with you. Know he has gone home.##imported-begin##Valerie Coleman##imported-end##*

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November 07, 2008 at 09:11 AM



“ *Drue my thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. I hope that you know how much people care and wish your father eternal peace.##imported-begin##Mike Campbell##imported-end##*

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November 04, 2008 at 06:49 PM



“ *I'm very sorry to hear of your loss. I'm sure you're comforted by the fact that your father lived a long and satisfying life. It's evident that he had a deep concern for others because of the scholarship fund that has been established in his name. I will make a contribution directly to this fund in honor of your father.##imported-begin##Cheryl Lewis##imported-end##*

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November 04, 2008 at 06:07 AM



“ To the Williams family: Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of your father.

*I first met Josh in the late 1960's when we worked as teachers at Cerveny Elementary School. At first we were colleagues which soon developed into a lasting friendship.*

*Josh was a very conscientious teacher who was revered by his students, admired by his fellow teachers, loved by the school community and respected by the school administration. This was not only true of Cerveny School but also from Harding Elementary School where we transferred at different times and continued our professional relationship and friendship.*

*Josh was a family man. He would share with me that the proudest days of his life, were the births of his daughters. Family was very important to him.*

*And the marriage of his daughter Ann, on Detroit's Belle Isle, made him an extremely proud father. As he escorted her down the aisle, I thought I saw a couple of buttons popping off his shirt as he was so so happy and proud.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Alvin Bell*###imported-begin###Alvin Bell ###imported-end###

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November 03, 2008 at 01:31 PM



“ To the Family: May you realize that Marcus memorable smile is with you every day. May the,prayers of your loved ones and friends comfort you through this trying time. Peace be with you.###imported-begin###Ms Nancy Ferguson MA,CSW,LPC###imported-end###

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November 02, 2008 at 07:33 PM



“ Dorothy and family, Thinking of you today with sympathy and may God bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Robin & Alfreda Oden##imported-end##

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November 02, 2008 at 01:03 PM



“ Dearest Williams Family,

*Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear, just know that you are very close in every thought and prayer.*

*If you need me for anything, please don't hesitate to ask.*

*Sincerely,*

*Robin##imported-begin##Robin Peagler##imported-end##*

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November 02, 2008 at 10:28 AM

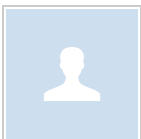


“ Dear Ann, just wanted you and David and your two lovely children to know that you are in my thoughts and prayers....

*Don##imported-begin##Don Matthews##imported-end##*

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November 02, 2008 at 12:10 AM



“ Dorothy & Family,

*Sorry to hear about the passing of your father. You are in my prayers. May you feel the strength, peace and love of the Heavenly Father during these trying times.##imported-begin##Gwendolyn H. Parker##imported-end##*

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October 31, 2008 at 01:54 PM



“ *To Drue and the Williams Family:*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you. Know that God can and will comfort you during such a time as this because earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal.*

*Reverend Sandra Williams##imported-begin##Sandra Williams##imported-end##*

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October 30, 2008 at 11:51 PM



“ *To Judge Ann Williams, David Stewart, Claire and Jonathan Stewart. I am so sad to learn of the death of your wonderful father and grandfather. My heart is with you during your time of sorrow.*

*Love,  
Barbara##imported-begin##Barbara Holden-Smtih##imported-end##*

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October 30, 2008 at 05:00 PM



“ *all my love and sympathy to Drue and the Williams family*

*Elisabeth##imported-begin##Elisabeth Kley##imported-end##*

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October 30, 2008 at 12:56 PM



“ *To the Williams Family:*

*Words cannot express my heartfelt condolences to this wonderful family. I remember the first time I met Mr. Williams he was such a charmer and a wonderful man. He was in Chicago visiting the Judge and he was so excited about a hat that Judge had bought him. I will always remember the many speeches Judge gave about him being such a great influence not just in her life but in Marcia & Drue's life as well. You are truly blessed to a lifetime of wonderful memories.*

*My Thoughts & Prayers are with you.*

*The Perdue-Toney Family##imported-begin##Debra Perdue-Toney##imported-end##*

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October 30, 2008 at 11:07 AM



“ *may your memories of the past leave you with a certain amount of satisfaction knowing that marcus shared so much time with you##imported-begin##james camp##imported-end##*

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October 29, 2008 at 10:26 PM



“ *To: Aunt Dottie,Ann,David,Marcia and Drue*

*Uncle Marcus has given me many very pleasant memories especially at our family Christmas celebrations. He reenforced many of the values that my Dad expressed to me.*

*I am wishing you the best in this difficult time.*

*Love,*

*Mike##imported-begin##Michael Garrett##imported-end##*

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October 28, 2008 at 02:04 PM



“ *My heart and prayers go out to you Dru and your family. Know that your father brought much love and happiness to your lives and that joy will continue throughout. Just as you loved and appreciated him, his love for even greater. If there is anything you need or just want a friendly ear, I'm hear.*

*Love and respect,  
Kimmie "Q"###imported-begin###Kimberly Purnell###imported-end##*

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October 28, 2008 at 12:14 PM



“ *Dru, Marcia, Ann & Family,*

*My family and I are overloading you with prayer.*

*Our hearts are with you and we wish you peace.*

*Love,  
Harriet###imported-begin###Harriet Saunders###imported-end##*

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October 28, 2008 at 02:35 AM



“ *Radiant in the darkness Shines the light of memory, Where a father's love Lives on when he is gone. We are so sorry for your loss Your family have our deepest sympathy.*

*Love Valeria & Tonny Noergaard###imported-begin###Valeria & Tonny Noergaard###imported-end##*

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October 27, 2008 at 11:28 PM



“ Sorry for you loss. Sweet memories and the Love of God will see you through.##imported-begin##Judge Cheyrl Ingram##imported-end##

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October 27, 2008 at 05:17 PM



“ Sincere condolences to the family of Mr. Joshua Williams whom I had the honor to meet at the investure of his daughter, Ann Clair Williams, to the U.S. 7th Curcuit Court of Appeals. May loving memories of his life bring you comfort. /s/arnette hubbard##imported-begin##Arntte Hubbard, judge##imported-end##

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October 27, 2008 at 04:47 PM



“ I send a prayer to you to stay strong during your time of grief. If you just have to shout out and cry know that God is there holding you up.

All my love and prayers,  
Daphne##imported-begin##Daphne Williams##imported-end##

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October 27, 2008 at 02:34 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to my dear friend Drue and her family.  
Lots of Love,  
Michael##imported-begin##Michael Huston##imported-end##

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October 27, 2008 at 01:15 PM



“ Dorothy and family,

*Thinking of you today with sympathy and understanding.##imported-begin##Juanita Hawkins RN##imported-end##*

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October 26, 2008 at 07:23 PM



“ Dear friends,

*I was so sorry to hear of your loss and will be praying for you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Kathryn Ervin##imported-end##*

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October 26, 2008 at 02:01 PM



“ *My heart and soul supports the Williams family in your deepest sorrow. I have known your Dad a great part of my life and found him without question, an outstanding individual in all the measurements of righteousness and kindness. I am gooding to miss his presence. With Love,*

*Michael F. Scott##imported-begin##Michael F. Scott##imported-end##*

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October 26, 2008 at 11:18 AM



“ *Dearest Drue and Family, Please find comfort in knowing that Birth & Death are not a Beginning or an End, they're simply events, designed by us and our Creator, in a perfect, unending continuum. God Bless.##imported-begin##Sabrina & Nila Windley##imported-end##*

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October 26, 2008 at 03:37 AM



“ Well, Mr. Williams has joined the angels who watch over us. I know that they are happy to be with him! With love, Denise\*##imported-begin##Denise Cavassa, CMA##imported-end##

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October 25, 2008 at 08:59 PM



“ Ann, Marcia, and Drue, may grace, joy, peace, and holy comfort from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ overshadow you and your family during this precious time.

Sincerely,

Tony##imported-begin##Dr. Tony Curtis Henderson##imported-end##

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October 24, 2008 at 07:31 PM