



## Mr. Nathan G. Clarke

April 12, 1955 - October 8, 2015

Celebrating The Life Of Nathan G. Clarke:

Nathan G. Clarke was born on April 12, 1955 in Gbanga, Liberia, to the late James F. Clarke, Sr. and Margaret Yates. Nathan accepted Christ and was baptized at an early age.

Nathan attended his elementary school years at Gbanga Methodist Mission. After completing elementary school Nathan moved to Monrovia, Liberia to pursue higher education at Wells-Hairston High School. He graduated high school in 1976. In 1977, Nathan became the proud father to his one and only daughter Natalie Clarke. Upon completion of high school, Nathan then moved to Harbel, Firestone. While in Harbel, he was employed by the Ministry of Immigration as an immigration officer assigned to Roberts International Airport where he served honorably until he migrated to the U.S. in 1979. Once he arrived in the U.S., he enrolled at Wayne County Community College, and acquired a business degree in 1982.

Nathan was a visionary and became an entrepreneur. He established Nate's Carpet Care and was a very successful businessman for over 30 years. Nathan did not believe in the word "retirement." He enjoyed his work and worked very hard until his health declined and he could no longer work. In 1982, Nathan was joined in holy matrimony to his beloved wife and best friend Bendu Johnson-Clarke for over 35 years. To this union two sons were

born, Fahn and Varney.. Nathan enjoyed watching his boys grow up into the fine young men they have become today.

Nathan enjoyed sports. He loved sitting in his favorite chair to watch soccer, football, basketball, baseball and hockey. His hobbies included table tennis and music; he especially loved to DJ at special events. Most of all he enjoyed family, friends, fellowship, food and laughter.

Nathan departed this life peacefully, on the morning of Thursday, October 8, 2015.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens

17840 Middlebelt Road  
Livonia, MI 48152

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

Saturday, Oct. **24**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Second Grace United Methodist Church  
18700 Joy Road  
Detroit, MI 48228  
(313) 838-6475

## Funeral Service

Saturday, Oct. **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Nathan G. Clarke*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Jerrod, Taron, Melanie and ZaQuan purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Nathan G. Clarke.*



**Jerrod, Taron, Melanie and ZaQuan** - October 23, 2015 at 12:22 PM



“ *To the Clarke Family:*

*We are very sorry for your lost and we share the grief. pain and emptyness with you.*

*May God walk with you during this time of bereavement to help you stay strong and supportive of each other.*

*Nate was a true dear friend and will always be remembered in our thoughts and prayers.*

*If there is anything we can do for you Bendu, please don't hesitate to call.*

*All The Best  
Walter and Connie*



**Connie williams** - October 23, 2015 at 12:22 AM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Mr. Nathan G. Clarke.*



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October 22, 2015 at 08:36 PM



“ *Bendu, Fomah and Vahney,  
May the Lord give you all strength in a time of great loss. I'm there  
in spirit and I love you all. In Jesus Name, Amen.  
Mercy Clarke*

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**Mercy** - October 22, 2015 at 07:44 PM



“ *Jojo Turnbull and Family purchased the Arrive in  
Style for the family of Mr. Nathan G. Clarke.*



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**Jojo Turnbull and Family** - October 22, 2015 at 09:06 AM



“ *Bendu & Family: Words cannot adequately describe the sorrow that  
I feel on the passing of Nathan. I still remember the first time I met  
him; he was always humble, gentle, and fun to be around. As you  
mourn this terrible loss, remember that God still loves you in spite of  
the difficult times. May He grant you strength as you navigate this  
difficult chapter of your lives. God bless you.. ~ From Chris & Elva  
Tokpah*

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**Chris & Elva Tokpah** - October 21, 2015 at 03:31 PM

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“ *Bendu, Fomah and Varney,*

*May the love of family and friends comfort you during these difficult days. Prayers and fond memories are what we have to remember our dearly departed Nathan. Cherish those memories. Although he has departed from this earth Nathan is still alive in our hears and minds, through us he lives on.*



*Please accept our heartfelt condolences. Nathan will never be forgotten.*

*Yvette, Mawuli & Family*

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**Yevette Honu** - October 20, 2015 at 08:22 AM

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“ *Bendu and Family,*

*May the GRACE of God bring you TRUE PEACE during these trying times!!! Nathan has been received in the loving arms of our Lord and Savior; he's at PEACE!!! Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the children. May God bless and keep you always.*

*Shalom,  
Martinus, Lois and Family*

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**Lois N Holman** - October 18, 2015 at 09:05 AM

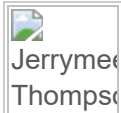
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“Nathan, Bendu & Sons, are our neighbors and friends. We remember Nathan as always greeting us with a warm smile. He was very kind and loved his music. Our sons grew up with his sons. Nate and Bendu always welcomed them in their home and treated them like family. We will truly miss him but I know that Heaven is rejoicing. R.I.P.  
Love,  
Raymond and Linda Smith Taron & Jerrod



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**Linda Smith** - October 15, 2015 at 06:27 PM



I have known Nate since I was 4 he was like a father to me. I love that man. Am trying my best to make it there love this family.

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**Jerrymee Thompson** - October 16, 2015 at 11:33 AM

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Nate was a gentle soul, very soft spoken kind and respectful. Always the peacemaker, regardless of the situation there was always calm. He brought laughter and peace. He loved his music and his family. To Bendu, Natalie, Foma and Varney and the grand children, my deepest sympathy. Take comfort in the Lord, he is gone to rest. He will truly be missed but God knows best. Love always Comfort Kesseh-Dassin

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**comfort kesseh-dassin** - October 19, 2015 at 02:55 PM

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*Nate, Bendu, Fomah & Varney,*

*We've shared an bond as long as I could stand on two feet. Our families always trusted and supported each other as much as allowed. I've learned a lot of lessons from you guys sitting on your porch and playing in the field in Hickory Hollow and even firmly squeezing my hand in church when I was acting up. So many memories to account for, but witnessing Nate working hard for his family always made me look up to him and I had that model of what I needed to do later in life. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*Love you guys*

*Richard & the Buford Family*

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**Buford** - October 22, 2015 at 04:56 PM