



## Mr. Sylvester Bates

April 22, 1944 - February 23, 2023

In Loving Memory Of

Sylvester Bates was born on April 22, 1944, in Elmore County, Alabama to the late Andrew Bates and Ruby Kate Bates.

Sylvester accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized in Alabama.

Sylvester attended Sandtown High School in Millbrook, Alabama. While in high school, he was a star quarterback on the football team and wore #77. He also through Sunday School in his youth. After high school, Sylvester moved to Detroit, Michigan to pursue a career at one of the major car companies.

He was employed at Chrysler for 30 years in the maintenance department. He held this position until he retired in December of 1999.

He met his wife Evelyn of more than 48 years while working at Chrysler.

Sylvester departed this life on February 23, 2023. He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Reggie Bates.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory: Evelyn Bates (spouse); his daughter Reoma Bates of Coosada, Alabama; brother Willie Frank Bates (Carolyn) of Millbrook, Alabama; sisters Katie Ruth Bates of Detroit, Michigan, and Mary

Grace Bates of Millbrook Alabama, Delois Crosby (Curtis) and Dorothy Young of Coosada, Alabama, Lucille Wise of Montgomery, Alabama, and Sarah Wilson of Sacramento, California; five grandkids and Aunts Louise Moore and Hattie Bell Cook of Montgomery, Alabama, Uncle Rush Chancey of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

Sunday, Mar. **5.** 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Family Hour

Monday, Mar. **6.** 2:30 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

Monday, Mar. **6.** 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *The world has lost an incredible life. You have our sincere condolences, our deepest sympathies, and our unending love.*  
*David Bates, Terrie and Monte.*

Theresa.Bates - March 06, 2023 at 12:26 PM

WD

“ *Rest Well Sylvester!! Earth has no Sorrow that Heaven Cannot Heal!!* 🙏🕊️☐  
*WillieMae Duncan*  
*Millbrook, Alabama*



WillieMae Duncan - March 06, 2023 at 08:24 AM

FM

“ *From David, Terrie and Monte purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Mr. Sylvester Bates.*



From David, Terrie and Monte - March 03, 2023 at 08:23 PM

SW

“ *Sleep in Eternal peace Uncle "Vester".. There wasn't a time I came into town that you didn't come by and see me. Thanks for the laughs . You will truly be missed .*

*Your Crazy Girl- Shana*

shana Wellman - March 02, 2023 at 07:36 AM