



## Rev. Walter Facen, Sr.

October 23, 1926 - January 28, 2019

### Walter's Story:

Walter Facen was born on October 23, 1926 in Lonoke, Arkansas to Emma McBroom and Lives Facen. He was the youngest of three sons, Tom Brown and George Rivers who have both preceded him in death.

Walter's elementary and high school years of education took place in Arkansas. In June of 1945, Walter was enlisted in the United States Army as a soldier in World War II and was stationed in the Philippines. He served in the Engineering Aviation Battalion as a private and heavy truck driver. Walter was honorably discharged in December 1946.

Walter married Annie Marie Porchia (deceased), and to this union three children were born: Merelyn "Renee" (Facen) Simmons, Walter "Jun" Facen, Jr., and George "Gee" Facen (deceased). Walter later married Maggie Payne (deceased). They were married for 31 years.

Throughout his life, Walter received many accomplishments: He attended A.M. & N. College in Pine Bluff, Arkansas; Little Fall Institute of New York and Michigan Bible College. He was called to the ministry in 1961, received his ministry license and became an ordained minister at New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church.

Walter received his diploma and became a bonded member as a professional

locksmith from the Locksmithing Institute of America; he also became a Notary Public in the County of Wayne in the State of Michigan. In addition, to his achievements, the mayor of the City of Romulus recognized Walter for his 43 years as a resident in the City of Inkster.

Walter loved his family and was a wonderful father, grandfather and provider for his family. He was employed at the Chrysler Corporation Elliott/Mound Assembly Plant for 35 years as a Stewart. Chrysler honored Walter for his many years of dedicated service with a certificate of recognition and appreciation.

Walter devoted his life to his family, ministry job and his community and he will be greatly missed.

# Cemetery Details

## Westlawn Cemetery

31472 Michigan Ave  
Wayne, MI 48184

# Previous Events

## Visitation

Wednesday, Feb. **6**. 4:00 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

Thursday, Feb. **7**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home  
17600 Plymouth Road  
Detroit, MI 48227  
(313) 838-9770  
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## Funeral Service

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Thursday, Feb. 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Walter Facen, Sr.*

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January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. May the God of all comfort embrace you peace and hope during this difficult time. Rev 21:4*

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**Ms Laverne** - January 31, 2019 at 07:49 AM