



## Mr. Anthony J. Daniels

December 22, 1961 - July 13, 2023

\*\*\*\*NOTE: FIRST UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH IS HOSTING A SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY FOR THE FAMILY OF MR. ANTHONY J. DANIELS ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023

\*\*\*\*\*LOCATION, DAY & TIMES FOR SERVICE TO BE HELD AT THE CHURCH ARE LISTED BELOW

\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: WHEN ENTERING THE FUNERAL HOME OR THE CHURCH: MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING ARE STILL REQUIRED. THE CHURCH WILL PROVIDE HAND SANITIZER WHEN ENTERING THE BUILDING.

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### THE OBITUARY

Anthony Jay Daniel, (also known as “Jay Bird”, went home to Glory on July 13, 2023 in Kent County, Michigan. He was born December 22, 1961, the son of Charlie and Leola Franks. He accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at St. Marks Baptist Church, under the leadership of Pastor Rev. Charles Thomas.

Anthony graduated from Loy Norrix High School, and after graduation joined the United States Army, where he served for 4 years until he was Honorably Discharged. He received several awards such as: Army Service Ribbon, Over

Seas Service Ribbon, Expert Rifle-M16, 1st Class Hand Grenade and Good Conduct Medal-1. The whole family is proud of Jay, and they thank him for his service. After serving the Army, Jay became employed with the Kalamazoo Public School system. He also worked for Summit Polymers for 7 years.

He is preceded in death by his father, Charlie Daniels, his sister, Sheila Lynne Franks and grandparents, Albert and Jessie Marshall.

Jay had a good sense of humor and would say things to keep you laughing. He had a very sensitive side that most people wouldn't know. For example, he loved animals and if he was watching television and saw a small animal it would touch him deeply. He was a very caring man with a big heart. Jay lived his life the way he wanted to. He would listen to others out of respect, but he would still do exactly what he wanted. He was a "my way or no way" type of guy. Jay loved his sons dearly. Recently he had moved in with his youngest son and they became very close. They enjoyed spending time together and Anthony would treat his son to dinner at different restaurants. He is known for having a big heart and caring for people. He will be greatly missed.

Anthony is survived by his mother, Leola Franks; sons, Jayton Anthony Liggins and Joshua Antoine Liggins; many loving aunts and uncles; his special lady/girlfriend of 12 years, Annette Walden; cousins, Teresa Daniels, Pattie Daniels and Calvin Daniels, and a host of many, many friends. We will forever cherish his memory.

# Cemetery Details

## **Ft. Custer National Cemetery**

15501 Dickman Road  
Augusta, MI 49012

# Previous Events

## **Family Hour**

JUL 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Baptist Church  
821 S Burdick St  
Kalamazoo, MI 49001  
(269) 381-3996

## **A Service in Loving Memory**

JUL 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Baptist Church  
821 S. Burdick Street  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Harper Funeral Home - July 26, 2023 at 12:20 AM



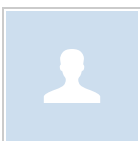
“ I was asking someone about you today and they laid the news on me about your passing. Rest up friend/Unk!!! know you got Damien by your side...

Michael - December 28, 2023 at 11:12 PM



“ Mr. Anthony J. Daniels

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mr. Anthony J. Daniels

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM

JT

“ John & Lauria Tyson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



John & Lauria Tyson - July 30, 2023 at 08:50 PM

HM

“ Helen Martinnillie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Helen Martinnillie - July 29, 2023 at 10:18 AM

PD

“ Penni Dent sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Penni Dent - July 29, 2023 at 06:33 AM

AS

“ Ann P. Sheppard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Ann P. Sheppard - July 28, 2023 at 10:09 PM

AF

“ *Annette Fox lit a candle in memory of Anthony Daniels*



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**Annette Fox** - July 28, 2023 at 10:13 AM

AB

“ *Arlene Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



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**Arlene Buchanan** - July 27, 2023 at 11:34 AM

PD

“ *I know that God makes no mistakes so I thank him for the time that he allowed you to be a blessing in my life. I'm going to miss you dearly*

*My prayers always for you and the family.*



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**Penni Dent** - July 27, 2023 at 07:01 AM

MR

“ *Sending deepest condolences to the Daniels Family.*

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**Mr & Mrs Alvin Rice** - July 26, 2023 at 08:31 PM

PG

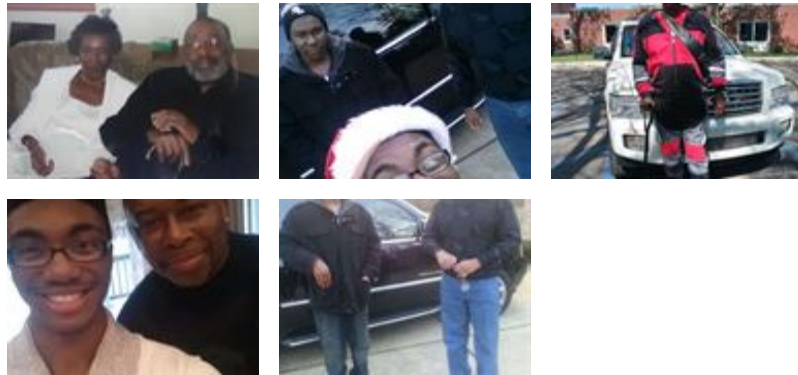
“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



Pauline Gardner - July 26, 2023 at 02:06 PM



“ *21 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Harper Funeral Home - July 26, 2023 at 10:31 AM

PF

“ *PATTERSON FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



PATTERSON FAMILY - July 26, 2023 at 10:22 AM

PD

“ Pat Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Pat Davis - July 26, 2023 at 09:40 AM

PD

“ Patricia Daniel sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Patricia Daniel - July 25, 2023 at 07:10 PM

PD

“ Patricia Daniel sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Patricia Daniel - July 25, 2023 at 06:08 PM

PD

“ Patricia Daniel sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Patricia Daniel - July 25, 2023 at 05:59 PM

PD

“ *Patricia Daniel sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



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**Patricia Daniel** - July 25, 2023 at 05:48 PM

TF

“ *The Fields Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



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**The Fields Family** - July 25, 2023 at 04:18 PM

EF

“ *My Condolences to the Daniel family I will keep you all in my prayers God bless*



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**Earline Fields** - July 25, 2023 at 04:17 PM

TP

“ *Jay Bird man you will truly be missed*

*Toney & Diana Patterson*



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**Toney Patterson** - July 25, 2023 at 03:26 PM

CF

“ *My brother I will miss seeing that smile and laugh. We love you forever and you can take the for off it. EVER*  
*Mr & Mrs C and J Daniel Family 🙏*

Calvin & Juanita Daniel and Family - July 25, 2023 at 09:51 AM

CF

“ *Calvin & Juanita Daniel And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



Calvin & Juanita Daniel and Family - July 25, 2023 at 09:46 AM

DF

“ *Dallas Boards And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



Dallas Boards and family - July 24, 2023 at 02:14 PM

SW

“ *Selena Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



Selena Walker - July 24, 2023 at 08:03 AM

TP

“ Jay Bird man you will truly be miss

*Sweetpea Patterson*

Toney Patterson - July 23, 2023 at 07:11 PM

CS

“ Cindy Phillips Smith



Cindy Phillips Smith - July 23, 2023 at 04:22 PM

PB

“ Paul & Margaret Best lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Paul & Margaret Best - July 23, 2023 at 02:44 PM

JD

“ Jack Dunigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels



Jack Dunigan - July 23, 2023 at 02:08 PM

JD

“ *Jack Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



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**Jack Dunigan** - July 23, 2023 at 02:08 PM

AP

“ *Angela Payne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



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**Angela Payne** - July 22, 2023 at 11:08 PM

TC

“ *The Lord has blessed you my brother, you now where a crown my long time brother and friend. I will see you again. My prayers go out to the family.*

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**Todd Clark** - July 22, 2023 at 07:04 PM

NK

“ *Natasha Knight sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



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**natasha knight** - July 22, 2023 at 03:15 PM

AS

“ *Alma M Snell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



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**Alma M Snell** - July 22, 2023 at 11:40 AM

BP

“ *Barbara Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony J. Daniels*



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**Barbara Phillips** - July 22, 2023 at 11:33 AM

MW

“ *My cousin, you have gone on to Glory! It has been a lot of years since the last time I saw you; I believe it was the last Family Reunion we had in Kalamazoo. I am going to miss you when I get to Michigan in 2024. Rest well Jay, and condolences to cousin Leola. I will be praying for you, Marilyn Woods-Gallon.*

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**Marilyn Woods-Gallon** - July 22, 2023 at 07:50 AM