



## First Lady Artencie Plair

November 13, 1926 - March 17, 2016

Artencie Plair was born in St Louis, MO in the year 1926, on November thirteenth, to parents William Henry Seldon, Sr. and wife Penny Seldon. Her siblings are the late William Henry Seldon, Jr., the late Matilda Seldon and the late Mattie Pritchard.

Artencie Seldon married Ezell Plair, Jr. on March 15, 1946. Their marriage endured the tests of time and were married 68 years until the Lord called Ezell Jr. home on February 11, 2014. Together they had six wonderful children, 3 sons and 3 daughters: Doris Jean Plair Mitchell (late Clifford), late William Matthew Plair (Deloris), Pastor Alexander Plair I (Patricia Ann), Superintendent F. Joseph Plair Sr. (Linda), District Missionary Janice Plair Brown (Deacon Fenner L.), Veronica Plair Baymon (Assistant Pastor, Vernon L.).

On Thursday, March 17, 2016 at sunrise, Mother Artencie Plair departed this life peacefully. She leaves to cherish her memory her 5 surviving children, 24 grand-children, 24 great grandchildren, 3 great, great grandchildren and all who graced by her presence.

On the morning Artencie was called home there was a stirring in the spiritual kingdom. The trumpet sounded and His servant was on her way home. Adorned with a meek and quiet spirit which in the sight of God is of a great

price, prepared his daughter for a special promise he had only whispered long ago. A Glorified existence, streets paved with gold and the presence of perfect eternity. Angels rejoicing children playing and her husband, Elder Ezell Plair Jr. awaiting her arrival.

"For she shall not much remember the days of her life; because God answereth her in the joy of her heart" (Ecclesiastes 5:20)

Sealed to the inheritance of the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords her presence was chosen for such a time as this. Those that remain in this earthly realm must understand that it was better for her to leave so that We, may have the opportunity to bare the fruit of life to those who are yet lost.

It requires a person of great faith and bravery to live a life full of the promises of God. Artencie was gentle, pure in heart and one of these persons. She understood the wealth of wisdom and the power of prayer. She has now challenged us to be brave, to arise, to contend, to conquer, to forgive, to joy and to love ourselves and others unconditionally. Some questions we have about Artencie may always be a mystery, however, if you are questioning how she was able to speak with the tongues of men and of angels, her ability to understand every word declared by God concerning faith and impossibilities; Feeding the poor, sacrifice, How she obtained the gift to suffer long with all manner of kindness; Her ability to rejoice for the blessings of others, thought no evil, rejoiced in truth, bared all things, believed all things, hoped all things, endured all things; By Gods love she never failed. I hope this gives you peace. Her quiet strength and mesmerizing smile all came from a very special place within. She found the secret place that we all long for. She dwelled in the secret place of the Most High and now and forever she abides under that shadow of the Almighty.

In Loving Memory of Artencie Plair!



# Cemetery Details

## Mount Ever-Rest Memorial Park

4037 South Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 23. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Family Hour

MAR 24. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Faith Temple Church of God  
402 S. Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

## A Celebration of Life

MAR 24. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *First Lady Artencie Plair*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *First Lady Artencie Plair*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *Dianne Anderson lit a candle in memory of  
First Lady Artencie Plair*



**Dianne Anderson** - March 23, 2016 at 02:47 PM



“ *My deepest condolences goes out to the Plair family. The love of a mother is so everlasting. Please know that she is in a better place and celebrate the life that she lived here on Earth. Janice, I send my warm thoughts and words of encouragement to you in this difficult hour. May God bless your family.*



*Charmane Echols*

**Chamane Echols** - March 23, 2016 at 02:09 PM

MJ

“ *My condolences to the family. Mary Louise (Mitchell) Johnson*

Mary (Mitchell) Johnson - March 23, 2016 at 07:38 AM

MJ

“ *Mary (Mitchell) Johnson lit a candle in memory of First Lady Artencie Plair*



Mary (Mitchell) Johnson - March 23, 2016 at 07:36 AM

AS

“ *Alma Snell lit a candle in memory of First Lady Artencie Plair*



Alma Snell - March 22, 2016 at 09:50 PM

PG

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of First Lady Artencie Plair*



Pauline Gardner - March 22, 2016 at 02:12 PM

PL

*To the berieved, family,  
You have our deepest sympathy. We pray that God will sustain you and  
give you peace at this time. Sis. Plair was a perfect example of the  
Gods love and she will be missed.*

*Sincerely,  
Sister Whites Daughters  
Donna & Pam*

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**Pam Logan** - March 23, 2016 at 12:47 PM

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“ *To the Plair family my condolences goes out to you. You're mother  
was a very sweet lady. Janice our friendship goes way back to  
kindergarten and has never ended. Just two weeks ago I lost my  
mother and you were there for me not knowing the roles would be  
reversed. We know our mothers went to be with god and to be in his  
kingdom. May God help you all in this time of bereavement. God  
bless.*

*-Love Teresa Echols*

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**Teresa Echols** - March 22, 2016 at 01:34 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family  
of First Lady Artencie Plair.*



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March 22, 2016 at 01:32 PM

RW

“ *RJ & Anita Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of First Lady Artencie Plair*



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**RJ & Anita Wilkerson** - March 21, 2016 at 09:34 PM

MF

“ *McPherson/Phillips Family lit a candle in memory of First Lady Artencie Plair*



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**McPherson/Phillips Family** - March 21, 2016 at 08:57 AM



“ *Karest Willis-Brown lit a candle in memory of First Lady Artencie Plair*



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**Karest Willis-Brown** - March 20, 2016 at 09:25 PM

DM

“ *Dear Plair family my sincere condolences regarding your mom. I have had many thoughts and fond memories of all of the Edward street families. MY PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU. DARLENE MARTIN*

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**Darlene Martin** - March 20, 2016 at 01:59 PM