



## Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans

February 6, 1930 - April 8, 2018

\*\*\*\*\*NOTE: Please See Corrections to Funeral Service Times & Locations Listed Below\*\*\*\*\*

Carrie Rosella Evans fell asleep at Kairos Dwelling, Kalamazoo, MI and woke up in Jesus' arms on April 8, 2018. She was surrounded by family singing and praying as she made her peaceful transition. Carrie was born February 6, 1930 in Lexington, MS, the second of five children born to Elra and Mabel McGee. She graduated from high school in Lexington and attended Jackson State University.

On January 27, 1951 she was united in holy matrimony to the late Rev. George Evans. To this union they were blessed with four children: Diane, Ruby George, Gordon Earl, and Gregory Mack. She and her husband also raised a granddaughter Renae Evette from the age of 2. Affectionately known as "Miss Carrie", in 2009 she was the recipient of a special tribute from the Michigan State Legislature, governor Jennifer Granholm, recognizing the over 55 fruitful years she spent as a resident of Buel Avenue, Muskegon, MI. The wife of the late Rev. George Evans, former pastor of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Miss Carrie served faithfully beside him as first lady, usher, Senior Choir member and Sunday School teacher. She was also instrumental in starting the first Vacation Bible School at Shiloh. She was employed for many years as a teacher assistant at Reeths-Puffer Schools. Miss Carrie used her

skills to promote education within her family and her neighborhood, giving books to neighborhood children and encouraging them to strive for educational excellence.

Miss Carrie enjoyed reading, especially the Bible. The 23rd and 27th Psalms were scriptures that undergirded her faith, and she passionately shared them with her children as they traversed difficult times in their lives. She also enjoyed sewing, gardening, fishing with a cane pole, shopping for dresses, and cooking greens and barbecue. "Grandma Carrie" took special pleasure in cooking her cornbread dressing because it was a favorite of her grandchildren. In 2008, she left her home on Buel Ave. due to her declining health, and came to Kalamazoo to live with her daughter and son-in law, Ruby and Danny Sledge. Shortly after her relocation, she united with the Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Although she wasn't able to attend on a regular basis, she always reminded her daughter to "send a piece of money to the church".

Miss Carrie was preceded in death by her parents, Elra and Mabel McGee; her husband, Rev. George Evans; a son, Gordon Evans; and a sister, Mary Ann Wade.

Waiting to be reunited with her are her children: Diane (Russell) Kirksey, Grand Blanc, MI; Ruby (Danny) Sledge and Gregory (Susan) Evans, Kalamazoo, MI; daughter-in law, Linda Evans, Lansing, MI; daughter-in-love, Bernice Watson, Kalamazoo, MI; 10 grandchildren: Darius Kirksey, Austin Kirksey, Evan Sledge, Joshua Sledge, Grant Evans, Amanda Watson, Diamonique Salis, Eric King, Renae Evans, and Scottie Evans; 14 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Robert (Pearl) McGee, Jackson, MS, Elra and Alvin McGee; cousin, Bobby Mitchell, Daly City, CA; a special niece, Lisa Evans; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunrise Memorial Gardens

2188 Remembrance Drive  
Muskegon, MI 49442

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 13. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Family Hour

APR 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church  
1964 Russell Rd.  
Muskegon, MI 49445

## A Homegoing Celebration

APR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church  
1964 Russell Rd.  
Muskegon, MI 49445



# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



Harper Funeral Home - April 12, 2018 at 10:02 PM



“ Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ To Diane and Evan's family ;  
My thoughts and prayers are with you . May  
God give you strength, peace and comfort .  
Love, Gloria Ross



Gloria Ross - April 14, 2018 at 08:37 PM

Brenda Asiedu

“ *Brenda Asiedu lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans*



Brenda Asiedu - April 14, 2018 at 08:26 PM

EF

“ *Earline Fields sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans*



Earline Fields - April 13, 2018 at 05:54 PM

DW

“ *De Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans*



De Wilkerson - April 13, 2018 at 05:05 PM

DW

*Across the miles I send caring thoughts and loving prayers to you. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy on the passing of your devoted mother. I am certain she was such a blessing to everyone who knew her. She will be dearly missed. May the Holy Spirit embrace you with comfort and love as God fill your hearts with peace.*

De Wilkerson - April 13, 2018 at 05:06 PM

RJ

“ never got any chance to know my family i missed this golden opportunity

robert spaulding jr - April 13, 2018 at 12:15 AM

LE

“ May care and love of those around you provide comfort and peace to get you through the days ahead. My most sincere condolences.  
Love you  
Laneeda Evans



L Evans - April 12, 2018 at 08:01 PM

BT

“ Betty Tipper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



Betty Tipper - April 12, 2018 at 07:54 PM

MM

“ Mozella Mosley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



Mozella Mosley - April 12, 2018 at 04:00 PM

JE

“ My deepest sympathy to you at this time of sorrow. She is in God's care now and what better care could we ever ask for. Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back on the memories provide comfort. Now I pray for your comfort in the days ahead. God bless you and keep you in His tender care and love.



*Jacque and Major Eatmon*

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**Jacque and Major Eatmon** - April 12, 2018 at 03:43 PM

JG

“ James & Ondria Gillespie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



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**James & Ondria Gillespie** - April 11, 2018 at 10:27 PM

SB

“ Sharon A Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



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**Sharon A Brooks** - April 11, 2018 at 07:59 PM

AP

“ Alvin, Michele & Caleb Parker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



Alvin, Michele & Caleb Parker - April 11, 2018 at 07:58 PM

HB

“ Helen Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



Helen Brooks - April 11, 2018 at 06:41 PM

JK

“ Jesse & Dorothy Kirksey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



Jesse & Dorothy Kirksey - April 11, 2018 at 03:04 PM

BD

“ Brenda Harmon Dumas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans



Brenda Harmon Dumas - April 11, 2018 at 02:42 PM

TF

“ *The Daniel Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans*



**The Daniel Family** - April 11, 2018 at 09:57 AM

BW

“ *Bernice Watson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans*



**Bernice Watson** - April 11, 2018 at 09:38 AM

FF

“ *Frank & Betty Ford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans*



**Frank & Betty Ford** - April 11, 2018 at 09:09 AM

JE

“ *Jo Ann Embrey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans*



**Jo Ann Embrey** - April 11, 2018 at 07:53 AM

PG

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carrie Rosella Evans*



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**Pauline Gardner** - April 11, 2018 at 12:02 AM