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## OBITUARY

Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner was born October 31, 1947, to Earlene Hughes and James Evans. in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Evelyn gave her life to Christ at a very early age and was baptized into the faith at Mt. Zion Baptist Church. She was the 3rd generation of 6 generations that attended church there. She attended Kalamazoo Public Schools and graduated from Kalamazoo Central High School. While in grade school, she was interested in volleyball and basketball.

Evelyn met and united in marriage to Leonard Turner, Jr. in 1963, and to this union 2 children were born, Leonard Turner III and Anthony Turner.

She was employed by Green Bay Packaging and then went on to work General Motors. She later went on to work for John Hancock for many years until her retirement.

Evelyn was a faithful member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, and was deeply rooted in ministry at her church home. She served in many capacities that included Mission Ministry, the Majestic Choir, Card Ministry, the Clothing House, and assisted with the prayer line.

Evelyn was a member of The Sassy Red Hatters Society, social group of ladies in the community, but mostly members of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, that would get together socially, with similar interests. the would also travel from state to state. Evelyn kept busy with other interests too. She loved to travel and volunteer at her church home. She was an avid bowler and very competitive, winning several trophies over the years. She would also be found reading and sharing the Word. Throughout her years, she enjoyed life and family. Never letting any of her struggles hold her back. Evelyn was known for her sweet and kind spirit and her warm smile that would brighten a room.

She was preceded in death by her husband Leonard Turner Jr.; parents, Earlene (Hughes) and Isom Nowling and father James Evans; brothers, James Evans Jr., Michael Evans, Frank Haywood and Earl Tyrone Nowling; and 2 sisters, Roberta Evans and Cherrie Nowling.

She leaves to cherish her memories: 2 sons, Leonard (Tammy) Turner III and Anthony Turner; brothers, Gregory (Crystal) Nowling, Ronnie (Gina) Nowling and Edwayne Evans; grandchildren, Anthony Turner Jr., Tiffany Turner, Justin, Turner, Tiara Turner, Autumn Turner and Javion Turner; great grandchildren, Zaiden Turner, Jessiah Turner, Zevaeh Turner, Jayceion Turner and Cardriguez Turner and Saraya Turner (who is on the way!); special niece, Kim White; special cousin, Jeffra Bell; lifelong friends, Dawn Wilkerson and Sherry Kyles and a host of other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

1015 Gull Rd  
Kalamazoo, MI 49048-1733  
(269) 337-8227

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing For Family and Friends

FEB 13. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Visitation

FEB 14. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
120 Roberson Street  
kalamazoo, MI 49007-3557

## A Service in Loving Memory

FEB 14. 11:30 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
120 Roberson Street  
kalamazoo, MI 49007-3557



# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner



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**Harper Funeral Home** - February 13, 2025 at 02:16 PM

AW

“ Arthur Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner



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**Arthur Wilkerson** - February 21, 2025 at 06:02 PM

AW

“ My heart is so heavy with the news of Evelyn's passing. Evelyn is the sister of my life long best friend, Earl Tyrone. She has joined her mother, father, brother and baby sister in glory. There's too many heartfelt memories are flooding in my spirit. Rest in heavenly peace Evelyn. You have earned your rest in glory. Or hearts are filled with sorrow but heaven is rejoicing. To God be the glory.

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**Arthur Wilkerson** - February 21, 2025 at 05:59 PM

CB

“ *Carrie Baker lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



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**Carrie Baker** - February 16, 2025 at 08:31 AM

JF

“ *Julian Family lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



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**Julian Family** - February 14, 2025 at 11:32 PM

JG

“ *Deepest condolences to the family of MS. Evelyn Kay Turner.*



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**JoAnne & Renaford Owens Jr- Atlanta GA** - February 14, 2025 at 03:40 PM

EF

“ *Earline Fields And Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



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**Earline Fields and family** - February 14, 2025 at 11:11 AM

EF

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



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**Earline Fields and family** - February 14, 2025 at 11:11 AM

RL

“ *Ramona K Lumpkin sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



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**Ramona K Lumpkin** - February 14, 2025 at 11:09 AM

DA

“ *Rest in Paradise*

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**Doris Abbott** - February 13, 2025 at 11:15 AM

RW

“ *Rj & Anita Wilkerson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



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**Rj & Anita Wilkerson** - February 13, 2025 at 08:55 AM

TS

“ *praying for the family (Jacion,javon,josiah)*



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**tatiana stewart** - February 12, 2025 at 01:04 PM

GR

“ *Rest in Heavenly Peace Cousin and to the Family she will always be remembered by her Beautiful smile she was truly a Happy person growing up Gloria Hughes Rhymes*

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**Gloria Rhymes** - February 12, 2025 at 11:45 AM

GR

“ *Gloria Rhymes lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



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**Gloria Rhymes** - February 12, 2025 at 11:40 AM

SH

“ *Sam Hughes lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



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**Sam Hughes** - February 11, 2025 at 05:57 PM

DW

“ *My deepest sympathy to Evelyn's sons Leonard & Anthony and the entire family. I sang with her in the choir at Mt. Zion for many years. She and her contagious smile will be missed!*

De Wilkerson - February 11, 2025 at 03:04 PM

LF

“ *Larry Bell Nd Family lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



Larry Bell Nd Family - February 11, 2025 at 05:16 AM

LS

“ *Lola Streeter lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



Lola Streeter - February 10, 2025 at 10:04 PM

HW

“ *Helen Word lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



Helen Word - February 10, 2025 at 05:37 PM

ML

“ *My Condolence To My Entire Family. God Will Give Us Strength, Peace, And His Comfort. Evelyn Will Be Missed. "Rest Cousin"* ”



Malinda Ligon-Whitley - February 10, 2025 at 01:14 AM



“ *Deborah English lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner* ”



Deborah English - February 09, 2025 at 04:16 PM

BF

“ *Betty Ford lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner* ”



Betty Ford - February 09, 2025 at 11:38 AM

JB

“ *Jeanette Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner* ”



Jeanette Buchanan - February 09, 2025 at 09:38 AM

AT

“ *Angela Tabron lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



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**Angela Tabron** - February 09, 2025 at 09:37 AM

GT

“ *Greggory Nmn Turner lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



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**Greggory Nmn Turner** - February 09, 2025 at 07:50 AM

TC

“ *Theresa Alston Charleston lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



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**Theresa Alston Charleston** - February 09, 2025 at 04:02 AM

MR

“ *Modean Reeves lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner*



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**Modean Reeves** - February 08, 2025 at 10:17 PM

MR

“ My prayers are with your family. We grew up in Mt. Zion. She lived 2 doors from me where she raised her family. We worked together at Green Bay Pkg, bowled together and were Red Hatters. I will miss her sitting beside me at Wednesday night Prayer meeting and Bible study.

Modean Reeves - February 08, 2025 at 10:16 PM

GW

“ Georgia Williams lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner



Georgia Williams - February 08, 2025 at 07:39 PM

JD

“ JACK Dunigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Turner



JACK Dunigan - February 08, 2025 at 06:40 PM

JD

“ JACK Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Turner



JACK Dunigan - February 08, 2025 at 06:40 PM

BE

“ Bobby Edwards sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Turner



Bobby Edwards - February 08, 2025 at 05:33 PM

BM

“ Sister Evelyn, you will be missed forever and ever your sister in Christ from the Prayer line



Barbara McGee - February 08, 2025 at 05:09 PM

ML

“ Mary Ligon-Goens lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner



Mary Ligon-Goens - February 08, 2025 at 12:31 PM

PG

“ Pauline Gardner sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner



Pauline Gardner - February 08, 2025 at 11:37 AM

BG

“ *My sincere Condolences to the Family*



**Beverly Green** - February 08, 2025 at 07:17 AM

JE

“ *Jo Ann Embrey lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



**Jo Ann Embrey** - February 08, 2025 at 06:03 AM

AL

“ *Annie Ligon-Pearson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



**Annie Ligon-Pearson** - February 07, 2025 at 11:43 PM

HB

“ *Helen Mills Brooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



**Helen Mills Brooks** - February 07, 2025 at 10:23 PM

HB

“ Evelyn was a faithful obedience Christian. Attending Church regularly.  
In Fulfillment class, worship service.  
Prayer and Bible Study,  
Wednesday evening. I will miss seeing her when watching YouTube. She  
was a very kind thoughtful person.  
My deepest condolences to her family. Keep Trusting in The Lord.  
He is your strength and comforter.



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**Helen Mills Brooks** - February 07, 2025 at 10:22 PM

SK

gone on to be with the Lord she will never be forgotten and I would definitely miss our phone calls almost almost on the daily basis. Miss her on a praying Bible study line. I miss us as we travel from place to place with the redheads most of all she enjoyed getting to know the Lord I was surely surely miss her.

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**sherry Kyles** - February 09, 2025 at 01:29 PM

BL

“ My sincere condolences to the Turner family . Barbara Lewis

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**Barbara Lewis** - February 07, 2025 at 08:36 PM

BL

“ *Barbara Lewis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



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**Barbara Lewis** - February 07, 2025 at 08:32 PM

DH

“ *Dawn Hughes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



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**Dawn Hughes** - February 07, 2025 at 07:55 PM

DH

“ *Dawn Hughes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



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**Dawn Hughes** - February 07, 2025 at 07:53 PM

CG

“ *Condolences to the family*

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**Cordell/Brenda Gardner** - February 07, 2025 at 07:28 PM

CB

“ Claudia Barbee lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner



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**Claudia Barbee** - February 07, 2025 at 04:18 PM

BF

“ Betty Ford lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner



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**Betty Ford** - February 07, 2025 at 11:31 AM

AW

“ Andrew Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner



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**Andrew Wilkerson** - February 07, 2025 at 10:39 AM

DF

“ Daniel Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner



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**Daniel Family** - February 07, 2025 at 09:11 AM

DF

“ *Dallas Boards And Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



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**Dallas Boards and family** - February 07, 2025 at 06:16 AM

GT

“ *Always connected as Birthday Twins. Will be missed greatly my sister. Rest!!!* ❤️

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**Greggory Turner** - February 07, 2025 at 04:08 AM

CF

“ *Charleston Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Kay Turner*



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**Charleston Family** - February 06, 2025 at 11:53 PM