



Mr. Ezra Williams

August 23, 1938 - August 14, 2016

Ezra Williams, also known as "Preacher", went home to be with the Lord August 14, 2016 in Kalamazoo, Michigan. He was born August 23, 1938 to the union of Roger and Emma (Harkness) Williams in Union City, Tennessee. Ezra accepted Christ at an early age. He attended Second Baptist Church and later united with The Galilee Baptist Church, both in Kalamazoo, MI.

Ezra was united in marriage to Mildred Vallar on May 10, 1958 and to this union 6 children were born.

He was employed with the City of Kalamazoo until his retirement. Ezra loved fishing, playing chess and playing cards. He will be greatly missed by family and friends.

Ezra is preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Mildred Williams, Elvonia Tate, and Emma Jean Scott; 1 brother, Earl Williams; 1 brother-in-law, Albert Scott; 1 nephew, Glenn Williams and 1 nephew.

Ezra is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Mildred; nine children, Roger (Sandra), Johnny (Annette), Victoria, Billy, Lenny (Kimberly) Malcolm, Monifa Nichols and Tyrone Jackson all of Kalamazoo; and Daron Jackson of Grand Rapids, MI; 1 brother, Rev. James Charles Williams of Maywood, IL; 6 sister-in-laws; 7 brother-in-laws; 38 grandchildren; 52 great grandchildren and 1

great great grandchild. Also a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, great nieces, nephews, great nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends, and special friends, Thomas White and Clyde Pratt.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Visitation

AUG **23**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

The Galilee Baptist Church
1216 North Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

A Homegoing Celebration

AUG **23**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Ezra Williams



Harper Funeral Home - August 20, 2016 at 07:29 PM



“ Mr. Ezra Williams

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mr. Ezra Williams

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Delores Cross Phillips And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ezra Williams



Delores Cross Phillips and family - April 24, 2017 at 02:40 PM

DF

“ We are saddened to hear about "Preacher's" passing. RIP cousin.

Delores Cross Phillips and family.

Delores Cross Phillips and family - April 24, 2017 at 02:39 PM

RF

“ Reese Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ezra Williams



Reese family - August 31, 2016 at 08:40 AM

TT

“ Deepest sympathy for the passing of your loved one. I will always be thankful for the life of Mr Williams because when he invested in his sons future he invested in mine.

Tony M. Thompson - August 23, 2016 at 05:18 PM



“ Elizabeth Tucker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Ezra Williams



Elizabeth Tucker - August 22, 2016 at 08:04 PM



“ Elizabeth Tucker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Ezra Williams



Elizabeth Tucker - August 22, 2016 at 08:03 PM



“ Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ezra Williams



Pauline Gardner - August 21, 2016 at 02:35 PM



“ To my beloved Williams family I give my heart felt condolences Mr Williams was one of the greatest men I've ever known and he made a tremendous impact on my life with strength and wisdom I shall truly miss his smile and stature

Jack Dunigan - August 20, 2016 at 01:50 PM



“ Jack Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ezra Williams



Jack Dunigan - August 20, 2016 at 01:39 PM