



Mrs. Florine Paul

March 27, 1936 - April 23, 2025

***A FUNERAL SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY FOR MRS. FLORINE PAUL WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2025 AT THE OUR FUNERAL HOME.

***PLEASE SEE VISITATION & SERVICE TIMES LISTED BELOW.

**MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER WILL BE PROVIDED BY REQUEST.

***NOTE: The Full Obituary & DVD Tribute will be available soon

THE OBITUARY

Mrs. Florine Paul (Harkness) went home to be with the Lord, April 23, 2025, in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She was born March 27, 1936 in Rutherford Tennessee (Gibson County) to the late Bennie Harkness and Willie Maud (Giedon) Harkness. She was the youngest of four siblings. Florine married Edward Hardy Ball at a young age and had a daughter.

Florine later left Tennessee with her daughter and moved to Chicago Illinois to be closer to her two sisters. There she met her 2nd husband Earl Paul, and became a housewife, raising her three daughters and son. After many years of living in Chicago, Florine relocated to Kalamazoo, Michigan with her four children, where she lived a long and happy life. Florine was a wonderful homemaker, passionate caregiver and devoted Christian, who loved her family very much. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bennie and Willie Maud Harkness; her sisters, Annie Booker, Lucy Abbott and brother, J.W. Harkness.

She leaves to cherish her memory and honor her legacy: four children, Sandy Ball and Debra Paul both of Kalamazoo, MI; Mickey Paul (Deborah) of South Haven, MI; Theresa Paul of Kalamazoo, MI; nine grandchildren, Micketta Paul, Tasheena Paul, Tomacina Paul, Keegan Bennett, Andre Babbit, Timothy Adams, Brittnee Paul, Janay Paul, Clariess Paul; eight great grandchildren and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation For Family & Friends

MAY 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

A Service in Loving Memory

MAY 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Florine Paul



Harper Funeral Home - May 08, 2025 at 11:35 AM

AM

“ Angela Morales lit a candle in memory of Florine Paul



Angela Morales - May 10, 2025 at 10:11 PM

AM

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Angela Morales - May 10, 2025 at 10:10 PM

KG

“ Karen Gray sent a virtual gift in memory of Florine Paul



Karen Gray - May 09, 2025 at 08:30 AM

WF

“ Sandy my deepest condolences to you, your siblings and entire family. May the peace of God comfort, strengthen and keep you all 🙏



Wendy Fields - May 09, 2025 at 12:29 AM

LP

“ Linda Pirtle-Ndundu lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florine Paul



Linda Pirtle-Ndundu - May 08, 2025 at 10:23 PM

SB

“ A Thank You for helping me become who I am and the many years of fond memories. The best mother I could ask for. Love always Sandy



Sandy Ball - May 08, 2025 at 12:16 PM



“ 20 files added to the album Life Tributes



Harper Funeral Home - May 08, 2025 at 11:27 AM



“ Brittnee, Janay, and Clareese purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Mrs. Florine Paul.



Brittnee, Janay, and Clareese - May 07, 2025 at 07:08 PM



“ My fondest memory of Mrs Flora is we worshipped together at Emmanuel CRC church on N Burdick. We had a lot of laughs n I remember her speaking the truth in love. She will be missed. Sis Loretta Cain

Loretta Cain - May 07, 2025 at 09:21 AM

AB

“ *Arlene Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florine Paul*



Arlene Buchanan - May 06, 2025 at 12:12 PM

DF

“ *Daniel Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Florine Paul*



Daniel Family - May 05, 2025 at 07:57 PM