



## Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews

April 22, 1958 - May 3, 2024

: ATTN: FRIENDS & FAMILY PLEASE SEE CORRECTED FUNERAL INFORMATION BELOW

\*\*\*\*HOMEGOING SERVICES FOR MS. GLORIA DIANE MATTHEWS WILL BE HELD FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024, AT FAITH TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN KALAMAZOO (DOORS OF THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR FAMILY HOUR, WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M. AT THE CHURCH).

\*\*\*\*MASKS & HAND SANITIZER ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST\*\*\*\*

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### The Obituary

Gloria Diane Matthew (Rat, Disco, Glo) was born in Bastrop, Louisiana, to the late Sone Matthews and Touch Morrison. At a young age, she moved to Kalamazoo, where she resided with her grandmother, the late Azette Matthews, affectionately known as "Big Mama." Gloria was educated at Hillside Middle School and Old Central High School, later working at Lincoln Elementary and the Kalamazoo Hilton.

Gloria passed away peacefully on May 3, 2024, at Pines Nursing Home in Plainwell, Michigan, surrounded by her loving family. A cherished daughter, sister, cousin, aunt, niece, friend, and above all, a devoted mother and grandmother, Gloria was beloved by many. Her passion for dancing was

shared with her grandchildren, who she made sure to teach to dance when she was babysitting them. She also enjoyed playing Bingo and going to the casino.

Gloria was preceded in death by her parents, grandparents, several aunts, and her lifelong loving partner, Alex Walker Jr. She leaves behind family who will cherish her memory, including her children Loukisia (Charles) Heady, Dwight Matthews, Alex Matthews, James Matthews, Tareva Walker, and Shanna Walker; grandchildren Destany Stacy-Matthews, LaTauria Williams, DeAndrea Reason, Johnny Gillam, Alex'ria Matthews, Tyanna Newsome, Janiyha Matthews, James Matthews Jr., Shamaria Pierce, Marcus Pierce, Christopher Bell Jr., Emari Dixon, Rodjanay Mattox, Denzel Matthews, Diego Matthews, Xavier Coffie; Samairah Matthews, Tekasi Babitt, Anthony Mosley, Diamond Matthews, and great-grandchildren Na'Zire, Zy'Aire, Za'Riya, and Zay'Vion Stacy, and Da'Leah Walker. Gloria's siblings Sandra (Earnest) Macon, James (Robin) Woods, Willie (Shelia) Woods, Bobby Ware, Lee Marvin, Evelyn Matthews, Dale Matthews, Samantha Matthews, and Anthony (Eleanor) Matthews; Michael Frazier, Albert Frazier, James Frazier, Brenda Morrison, and Ella Jones, Aunts Anette Matthews and Brunetta Smith; Uncle Thomas Morrison. Special cousin Bishop Elect Sherwood Bradford: special son-in-love Eric Dixon, who cared for her during her illness; special cousin Telly Matthews, who assisted transporting her to appointments; and her extended family, the Walkers. Gloria also leaves behind her beloved Gran - pups, Bentley, Rocky, and Sky and fond memories of her late pup, Scrap Matthews.

Gloria's vibrant spirit and love will forever resonate with all who knew her. She will be deeply missed.

# Previous Events

## Visitation For Family & Friends

MAY 16. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Public Viewing For Family & Friends

MAY 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

## A Homegoing Celebration

MAY 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews



Harper Funeral Home - May 14, 2024 at 08:25 PM

LG

“ Larry Gray And Karen Gray sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews



Larry Gray and Karen Gray - August 05, 2024 at 09:43 AM

RL

“ Ramona K Lumpkin sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews



Ramona K Lumpkin - May 21, 2024 at 10:59 AM

HB

“ HAL & JANET BUCHANAN lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews



HAL & JANET BUCHANAN - May 19, 2024 at 07:19 PM

NH

“ Nanette Hickman sent a virtual gift in memory of Gloria Matthews



Nanette Hickman - May 17, 2024 at 06:18 PM

MM

“ Merry Sue Mitchell-Battles lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews



Merry Sue Mitchell-Battles - May 17, 2024 at 06:30 AM

QW

“ Quona Walker lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews



Quona Walker - May 16, 2024 at 07:23 PM

PG

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



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**Pauline Gardner** - May 16, 2024 at 09:21 AM

AS

“ *Alma M Snell lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



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**Alma M Snell** - May 15, 2024 at 06:31 PM

RS

“ *Rita Snell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews*



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**Rita Snell** - May 15, 2024 at 02:38 PM

AR

“ *ArleneBuchanan lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews*



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**ArleneBuchanan** - May 15, 2024 at 01:24 AM

TF

Condolences and Prayers to the entire family 🙏❤️❤�

Tanya Abbott and Family - May 15, 2024 at 06:10 PM

NG

“ Nette Gardner lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews



Nette Gardner - May 14, 2024 at 05:32 PM

RL

“ My sincere condolences to LouKisia and family. It's not easy to lose a parent, but with the help of God, he will see you through this time. We are praying for you. Love always, Rebecca Liggins...aka..."Becky"

Rebecca Liggins - May 14, 2024 at 02:25 PM

YR

“ Yvonne Heltzel Reese sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews



Yvonne Heltzel Reese - May 14, 2024 at 01:56 PM

AS

“ *Alexia Snell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews*



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**Alexia Snell** - May 14, 2024 at 01:42 PM

EG

“ *Edith Gardner lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews*



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**Edith Gardner** - May 14, 2024 at 01:25 PM

DB

“ *Dave And Rhonda Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews*



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**Dave and Rhonda Buchanan** - May 14, 2024 at 12:42 PM

CM

“ *CMVincent lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews*



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**CMVincent** - May 14, 2024 at 09:14 AM

PF

“ *PATTERSON FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews*



PATTERSON FAMILY - May 14, 2024 at 09:07 AM

CO

“ *Praying for the family. God Bless, n luv u all*



Cynthia Owens-White - May 14, 2024 at 05:53 AM

BG

“ *Condolences to the Family*



Beverly Green - May 14, 2024 at 03:30 AM

MD

“ *Mary Dixon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews*



Mary Dixon - May 13, 2024 at 09:05 PM

TP

“ Theresa Prude lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews



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**Theresa Prude** - May 13, 2024 at 01:07 PM

LL

“ Loretta M Lockett-Ollie lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews



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**Loretta M Lockett-Ollie** - May 13, 2024 at 12:50 PM

TW

“ Sending my love and condolences to my nieces and nephews....RIP Big Glo  
Terri Lynn Walker

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**Terri Walker** - May 13, 2024 at 12:17 PM

LB

“ LB lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gloria Diane Matthews



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**LB** - May 13, 2024 at 09:32 AM

HF

“ Love your kids.  
Gone but never forgotten. ❤️💖  
Loukisia, Dwight, Alex, James, Tareva, and  
Shanna



Heady Family - May 12, 2024 at 08:15 PM

HF

“ Going to miss you momma.  
Loukisia, LaTauria, Johnny, Da'Leah and  
Charles



Heady Family - May 12, 2024 at 08:13 PM

EF

“ Earline Fields and family lit a candle in  
memory of Gloria Matthews



Earline Fields and family - May 12, 2024 at 03:57 PM

EF

“ My Condolences to the Matthews family and  
friends I will keep you all in my prayers God  
bless you all. RIP Gloria



Earline Fields and family - May 12, 2024 at 03:56 PM

AR

“ *ArleneBuchanan lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



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**ArleneBuchanan** - May 12, 2024 at 01:55 PM

GF

“ *Gaila Smith & Family lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



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**Gaila Smith & Family** - May 11, 2024 at 07:57 PM

TJ

“ *My condolences to the family from bull in terri Jackson she will truly be missed.*



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**Terry A Jackson** - May 11, 2024 at 07:41 PM

TF

“ *Sending our Condolences and Prayers to the Matthew Family.*



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**The Gordon Family** - May 11, 2024 at 06:29 PM

RP

“ *Renae Lockett Patterson lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



Renae Lockett Patterson - May 11, 2024 at 11:04 AM

CW

“ *Carolyn Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of Gloria Matthews*



Carolyn Walker - May 10, 2024 at 09:56 PM

DF

“ *Dallas Boards and family lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



Dallas Boards and family - May 10, 2024 at 06:27 PM

GW

“ *Georgia WILLIAMS lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



Georgia WILLIAMS - May 10, 2024 at 10:52 AM

HF

“ Love your Kids. We going to miss you  
momma.  
LouKisia, Dwight, Alex, James, Tareva,  
Shanna.



Heady Family - May 10, 2024 at 10:39 AM

HF

“ Going to miss you momma. LouKisia,  
LaTauria, Johnny, Da'Leah, Charles and  
Bentley.



Heady Family - May 10, 2024 at 10:37 AM

DW

“ David & Laverne Walker lit a candle in  
memory of Gloria Matthews



David & Laverne Walker - May 09, 2024 at 08:59 PM

MI

“ I'm sorry to hear of your loss. Condolences. May you find comfort as  
each day passes.

Matthews-Wilson Family

Michelle - May 09, 2024 at 08:11 PM

DW

“ *David & Laverne Walker lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



David & Laverne Walker - May 09, 2024 at 08:04 PM

DB

“ *Donald & Ruby (Walker) Barbee lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



Donald & Ruby (Walker) Barbee - May 09, 2024 at 02:21 PM

BE

“ *Betty(Galloway)mcdaniel lit a candle in memory of Gloria Matthews*



Betty(Galloway)mcdaniel - May 09, 2024 at 01:56 PM

SB

“ *Sending my love and prayers to Gloria children and grandchildren and great grandchildren may she rest in peace...love y'all always auntie Jo*



Sharon Buchanan - May 09, 2024 at 11:19 AM

TJ

“ My condolences to the family so sorry And may she rest in heaven.



Terry A Jackson - May 09, 2024 at 10:28 AM

HR

“ Sending our sincere condolences to: Gloria D. Matthews family. We: The Moore family, send our prayers for strength, comfort and peace to our family and friends, during these trying times.  
Glo was a very good friend of ours, she will be greatly missed, but never ever forgotten. I'm very thankful to have had Glo in my life for the time I did! She was a very beautiful woman and I enjoyed my times spent with her. Rest Easy Gloria Matthews a.k.a. (Glo)!!! Love You Babe!!!

Helen Randle - May 09, 2024 at 09:58 AM

JD

“ JACK Dunigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Gloria Matthews



JACK Dunigan - May 09, 2024 at 09:58 AM

JD

“ *JACK Dunigan lit a candle in memory of  
Gloria Matthews*



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**JACK Dunigan** - May 09, 2024 at 09:58 AM