



Mr. Grant L. Gardner

June 7, 1952 - July 2, 2015

Mr. Grant L. Gardner, lovingly known as "Rabbit", transitioned July 2, 2015 at Borgess Medical Center. He was born in June 7, 1952, the son of Gurylene Gardner-Taylor and Grant Williams, Jr. in Okolona, MS. He was raised by his grandparents Ozie and Sarah Gardner.

Rabbit confessed the Lord as his Savior at a young age, while attending Mt. Mariah Baptist Church in Okolona. He moved to Kalamazoo, MI in the 1970's and was employed at the Holiday Inn, where he worked in housekeeping and later as a cook. He also worked for Bowens and Sons until he became ill.

Rabbit loved to cook. It always paid to ask him what type of meat he was serving! Carpentry was another gift of his and one he enjoyed doing. He was very handy with mechanical equipment and could fix almost anything. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. He loved meeting people and enjoyed life. Rabbit was living temporarily at Tendercare Nursing Home for Rehabilitation and was looking forward to returning home on Thursday. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Gurylene Gardner-Taylor; father, Grand Williams Jr.; his maternal grandparents, Ozie and Sarah Gardner; and his paternal grandparents, Grant Sr. and Sarah Hughes-Williams.

Grant "Rabbit" leaves to cherish his memories: 4 daughters, Marie B. Hill of Okolona, MS; Kimberly Carter, Amina and Khara McPherson; 3 sons, Franco, Christiane and Deshawn McPherson all of Kalamazoo, MI; 2 sisters, Jessye M. Lipsey and Alice L. Taylor both of Kalamazoo, MI; 10 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews cousins, aunts, uncles and a special friend, Mary McPherson of Kalamazoo, MI.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Kalamazoo, MI 49007
(269) 342-1000
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Visitation

JUL 9. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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

A Homegoing Celebration

JUL 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Grant L. Gardner



Harper Funeral Home - July 08, 2015 at 06:43 AM



“ Mr. Grant L. Gardner

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mr. Grant L. Gardner

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Missing my daddy today... heavy 🥹



Kimberly Carter - August 26, 2019 at 02:46 PM

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“ *Earline Fields And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Grant L. Gardner*



Earline Fields and Family - July 08, 2015 at 04:03 PM

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Thanks 🙏

Kimberly Carter - August 26, 2019 at 02:47 PM

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“ *Sarah Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Grant L. Gardner*



Sarah Taylor - July 07, 2015 at 07:31 PM

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Thanks 🙏

Kimberly Carter - August 26, 2019 at 02:47 PM