



Mrs. Henrietta Holland

September 22, 1953 - March 15, 2021

****TABERNACLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST IS HOSTING PRIVATE SERVICES FOR THE FAMILY OF MRS. HENRIETTA HOLLAND

****A PRIVATE INTERMENT WILL BE HELD AT RIVERSIDE CEMETERY****

If you have any questions please contact us at: (269) 342-1000 for us to help you.

THE OBITUARY

Mrs. Henrietta Holland departed this life on March 15, 2021, at her residence in Portage, Michigan. She was born on September 22, 1953, in Kalamazoo, Michigan, the daughter of Henry and Dollie Mae (Phillips) McGrew, both of whom preceded her in death. Henrietta loved God and accepted Christ at an early age at Galilee Missionary Baptist Church in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She graduated from Kalamazoo Central High School in 1971, attended Parsons Business College (Davenport University), Kalamazoo Valley Community College, and Western Michigan University, where she matriculated at the college's Hawthorn College of Business. Henrietta was a former employee of National Water Lift, UpJohn/Pfizer Healthcare, and Comstock School District.

On November 23, 1972, Henrietta was united in marriage to George L.

Holland; this union lasted for 38 years up to his passing in 2011. From that union, a daughter was born, April Denise Holland, whom was her very pride and joy. Henrietta also gained a loving step-daughter, Joyce Denise Smith, whom she loved as her very own.

Henrietta loved all children, especially her grandchildren. Lovingly referred by them as “G”. She enjoyed feeding the younger ones popsicles, making “to-go” zip-lock bags filled with treats, and during sleepovers was notorious for feeding them strawberries with sugar. She loved cooking, one of her specialties being canning--making homemade jams and jellies. She was known for making great macaroni and cheese as well as a “mean” bar-b-que sauce, which she was willing to share. Besides cooking, Henrietta enjoyed playing chess, completing puzzles, casino gaming, dancing, and listening to her jazz music. She loved all her family and wanted to ensure that all knew of the ancestry makeup, by creating a genealogy research study, of which she worked on for numerous years. Henrietta held a love for fast, old school sports cars, and spending time at the gun range.

She leaves to cherish her memory two daughters: April D. Holland and Joyce D. Smith, both of Kalamazoo; eleven grandchildren: Ashley (Jonel) Raymonvil, Janai (James) Gardner, Tyler Holland, Jalen Holland, Alecia Freeman, Jason Freeman, Jr., Anai Freeman, all of Kalamazoo; Mario (Courtney) McIntosh of Orlando, Florida, Dontario Smith, Javontay Smith, Sr., Kiana Jones all of Kalamazoo as well. She also leaves fourteen great-grandchildren: Aiden and Adrian Raymonvil (Ashley/Jonel), Jordynn and James Gardner, Jr. (Janai/James), Camarion, Camira and Camora McIntosh (Mario/Courtney), Dontario Jr. and Knowledge Smith (Dontario), Javonaty, Jr. (Javontay) Jayda, Zariah, Salayna Smith and Jase Anderson; a special nephew Adrian (Hoody) Jackson, and a god-son/nephew, Phillip Eric McGrew; “honorary grandchildren” Aaron Bronson, Jessie Carver Jr. and Ryan Washington, all of Kalamazoo.

Henrietta's life was shared with twelve siblings: Milton (Mary) McGrew, Lucille McGrew, Diane Scott, all of Illinois, Charles (Marla) McGrew of Washington (state), Carolyn Jackson of North Carolina, Richard McGrew of Kalamazoo (deceased), Ronnie (Karen) McGrew of Wisconsin, Patricia (Todd) of Kalamazoo, Susan McGrew of Mississippi, Kathy (Pierce) Gilbert of Georgia, Lynell McGrew of Kalamazoo (deceased) and Linda (James) Sims of Illinois and.

She also leaves her beloved "aunt-in-law" Odessa Nelson of Kalamazoo, five sisters-in-laws: Georgia Mae Williamson, Carolyn (Napoleon) Boyd, Mattie Holland, and Cora Holland, all of Tennessee; Brenda McCaskey of Kalamazoo. She also leaves one brother-in-law, Reverend Michael (Sophia) Holland Sr. of Kalamazoo and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

As Henrietta would say to her grandchildren at the end of every visit, "Stay safe out there in this cold, cruel world". She also let them know she loved them.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery (A Private interment will be held for the family only)

1015 Gull Road
Kalamazoo, MI 49048

Previous Events

Private Services In Loving Memory

MAR 25. 12:00 PM (ET)

Tabernacle Church Of God In Christ
3210 Virginia Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Harper Funeral Home - March 24, 2021 at 07:46 AM

RM

My Dear Family, may Our Loving Mother-Father God uplift and support you during this time.

HENRIETTA congrats on your " Home Run" !

I / We all hope to join you there at our appointed time

Love. Amen My Sister, Rest in Peace.

Love

ROCHELLE MARSH

Rochelle Marsh - March 24, 2021 at 04:11 PM

TT

Henrietta was a good big sister to Lynell and would strike fear in our hearts when we got out of line. RIH.

tydus b. tarver - March 24, 2021 at 09:55 PM



“ Mrs. Henrietta Holland

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mrs. Henrietta Holland

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *The Walker Family*



W - April 01, 2021 at 07:05 PM



“ *Karen Johnson-Foster lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland*



Karen Johnson-Foster - March 29, 2021 at 03:37 PM



“ *Earline Fields sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland*



Earline Fields - March 29, 2021 at 10:16 AM



“ *Anita McKinney Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland*



Anita McKinney Wilkerson - March 27, 2021 at 08:01 AM

RB

“ Rosemary Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Rosemary Brown - March 25, 2021 at 05:23 PM

MA

“ Margo Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Margo Anderson - March 24, 2021 at 08:17 PM

TB

“ Toni J Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Toni J Brown - March 24, 2021 at 07:26 PM

JH

“ Jerry Harris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Jerry Harris - March 24, 2021 at 06:28 PM

CO

“ *Our Condolences to the family.*

Cordell & Brenda Gardner

Cordell/Brenda - March 24, 2021 at 06:09 PM

TF

“ *T. Williams & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland*



T. Williams & Family - March 24, 2021 at 05:26 PM

TW

“ *T. Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland*



T. Williams - March 24, 2021 at 05:24 PM

FW

“ *Florest Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland*



Florest Wilson - March 24, 2021 at 04:13 PM

PF

“ Preference Health Services Family purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Mrs. Henrietta Holland.



Preference Health Services Family - March 24, 2021 at 02:07 PM



“ AJ Clark lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



AJ Clark - March 24, 2021 at 12:16 PM

YR

“ Yvonne Heltzel Reese lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Yvonne Heltzel Reese - March 24, 2021 at 09:03 AM

DB

“ Darwin Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Darwin Barbee - March 24, 2021 at 08:58 AM

TT

“ Tyrone Tarver lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Tyrone Tarver - March 23, 2021 at 10:13 PM

SB

“ Sonia Barbee-Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Sonia Barbee-Wilkerson - March 23, 2021 at 08:13 PM

DB

“ Donald & Ruby Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Henrietta Holland



Donald & Ruby Barbee - March 23, 2021 at 06:01 PM