



## Mr. Joseph Dunning

April 16, 1927 - September 3, 2014

Mr. Joseph Dunning was born April 6, 1927 to James Dunning and Lula Lockett in Choctaw, Mississippi. Joseph's early Christ teachings came from his mom, Lula Lockett and the Lockett family members. Joseph used to sing in his younger days. Joseph confessed his faith in Christ April 2012 at Second Baptist Church in Kalamazoo, MI.

Joe was also a financial supporter and would give unselfishly to many of the area churches as well as to family and friends. Joseph was employed at Riverside Foundry, Precast Concrete and he was a gifted mechanic for many years, until his eyesight became restricted. Knowing about cars and working on them was his passion.

Joe also liked to drive fast, burning rubber! Nine times out of ten it was all powered with an engine that he had "suped" up by using turbo or by straight piping his cars or trucks. Joseph was a lover, fighter, was strong, a jokester and stern in his ways. He had a signature voice, he loved to travel to go fishing, gardening and he loved his cars, especially Cadillac's and trucks. Joe also liked to watch T.V. and his favorite cartoon character was Foghorn J. Leghorn. He enjoyed eating watermelon, peach pie and eating good food. His nicknames were: "Peach Pie", "Wolf" and "Rolling Stone".

He loved music and his favorite singers were Aretha Franklin, Mahalia

Jackson, B.B. King and Muddy Waters. He believed that in whatever you want to be, be the BEST one you can!

Joseph departed this life on September 3, 2014 in Kalamazoo, MI.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James Dunning and Lula Lockett; his brothers, James Dunning II, Ocie Dunning, Johnny Boy Williams; his sisters, Fletie Mae Hampton, Willie Mae Bibbs and Mary Marie Williams; his daughter, Cynthia Jo Dunning and son, Travis Corbin.

Joseph leaves to cherish his legacy: Teresa Jo (Pat) Boyd, Linda Kay (Luther) Wade, Roger Jo (Chery) Dunning, Todd Price, Nora Swindle and Dena (Ervin) Marrow; brothers and sisters, Maurice Dunning, Bill (Daisy) Burroughs and Lula Mae Hicks of Toledo, OH; Robert Boone, Terrance Boone Tamika Boone and Amy Boone all of Kalamazoo; a loving companion of 47 years, Rose Boone; grandchildren: George Kilpatrick (Pam); Willie Kirkland, Taya Babbit (Wayne), Corey Fance, Joseph (Chery) Fance, Reha Alexander (Orville), Edric Boyd (Rachel), Ervin Fance, Alfonso Boyd (Joyce) Naquaay Fance, Mikia Moore, Sherena Dunning, Shaqualla Dunning, Jakima Taylor, Keeon Casey, Keana Casey, Michaela Benamon, Chris Bennett Jr. (Cameil), Turquoise (William)Nicholes, Demetrious Bennett, Reggie Calvin, Rayshawn Braggs, Deonta Braggs; and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. Also special friends, Ertest Jones and Leon Minor.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 10. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Visitation

SEP 11. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Second Baptist Church  
609 N. Rose Street  
Kalamazoo, MI

## A Service in Loving Memory

SEP 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

Second Baptist Church  
609 N. Rose Street  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Joseph Dunning



Harper Funeral Home - September 10, 2014 at 07:15 PM



“ Mr. Joseph Dunning

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mr. Joseph Dunning

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Rosemary "Biggie" was my mothers best friend "Miss Betty" . "Joe" is Biggie's husband. Miss Betty passed away Aug.30 . My prayers are with you and your family.



JoAnn Cornbacher - September 27, 2014 at 08:49 PM

JC

“ JoAnn Cornbacher lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph Dunning



JoAnn Cornbacher - September 27, 2014 at 08:37 PM

BP

“ Barb (McPherson) Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph Dunning



Barb (McPherson) Phillips - September 19, 2014 at 03:23 PM

BP

I am very sorry to hear about the loss of your father. I just saw it today on the computer. My prayers go out to your family. Barbara (McPherson) Phillips

Barb (McPherson) Phillips - September 19, 2014 at 03:26 PM

LM

“ Joe was a kind person! We lived across the street from him and Rose , for years! Alot of good memories! He will be missed! Prayers going out to Rose and the family. Lori Miller and Family.



Lori Miller - September 13, 2014 at 10:35 AM

EF

“ *Earline Fields And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Joseph Dunning*



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**Earline Fields and Family** - September 11, 2014 at 03:21 PM

SA

“ *SARAH lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph Dunning*



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**SARAH** - September 09, 2014 at 07:56 PM