



## Mrs. Katherine Mae Whitfield

February 3, 1924 - May 19, 2011

Mrs. Katherine Mae Whitfield passed away at 6:38 p.m. on May 19, 2011 in Detroit, MI at Sinai-

Grace Hospital. She was born February 3, 1924 in Portsmouth, OH. She was the adopted daughter raised by Mrs. Esther R. and Mr. Ellis Gamble. She graduated into the field of Cosmetology in Detroit, MI and went on to work in beauty shops in the greater Detroit area until she moved to Kalamazoo, where she continued her profession. Later on she was employed at various times in other fields which include, the Sweden House of Kalamazoo, Western Michigan University and then finally retiring from the Kalamazoo school system, after working for Loy Norrix High School for the remainder of her employment history. She was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Whitfield. She has four surviving children: Michael Edward Whitfield of Kalamazoo, MI; Laucenia Ann Doss of Detroit, MI; Kevin Eugene Whitfield of Kalamazoo, MI and Allison Cherise Whitfield of San Jose, CA. Also surviving are 8 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren. We her family will always remember her, our most precious mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother. Her love will continue to spread joy in each of our hearts. Please join us in celebrating the life of a truly blessed spirit whom has been a blessing to each of us. May she rest in blissfull peace.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Ever-Rest Cemetery

3941 S. Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 25.** 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home, Inc.  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Katherine Mae Whitfield



Harper Funeral Home - May 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Mrs. Katherine Mae Whitfield

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mrs. Katherine Mae Whitfield

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ I love my Granma Kate she raised me and helped me so much

ATruth Alexander - July 08, 2018 at 10:17 AM



“ Christi Sheeks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katherine Mae Whitfield



Christi Sheeks - May 26, 2011 at 01:42 PM



Thank you so much Christi. God bless you.

Allison Whitfield - May 27, 2011 at 08:46 AM



“ Allison Whitfield lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katherine Mae Whitfield



Allison Whitfield - May 24, 2011 at 11:59 AM

PD

Allison, many people's prayers are with you and your family, as are mine. So very sorry for your's and your family's loss Allison.

Peggy Downs - May 24, 2011 at 12:03 PM

CS

Reaching out to you, Allie. Your mom was always so good to me, fed me good, made me laugh, and was always like a mom away from home. She is definately God's people and will be watching over us now. I'm so blessed to know her and to have these special memories of her & your family. My heart goes to you, dear friend. Big Hugs! Miss you very much.

Christi Sheeks - May 26, 2011 at 01:46 PM

NW

“ My favorite moment about my grandma was when she took me to the hospital to give birth to my first child. She stood by my side and never left. She was a great woman who showed tremendous amount of unconditional love for her family and friends. She loved to cook, listen to her jazz music and dance. That there, is enough to put a smile on anyone's face.....I love you, grandma, forever and always...Nicole Leshher(Whitfield)

Nicole Leshher(Whitfield) of Fort Wayne - May 24, 2011 at 07:19 AM

CD

she did have the moves!!!! lol

Camillya Doss - May 24, 2011 at 08:28 PM

CD

“ My favorite moment about my grandmother is when I was younger she use to love dancing with me, regardless if she knew how or not.

Cicely Doss - May 22, 2011 at 08:52 PM

CD

“ My most favorite memories were spending most of my summers here in Kalamazoo as a kid with my sisters and grandma. (WOW! ALL THOSE PICNICS SHE TOOK US ON) I'm truly blessed for the love she has given me and my siblings..... Love your granddaughter, Camillya Doss

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**Camillya Doss** - May 21, 2011 at 03:36 PM

NL

Yes we did have alot of picnics! :D

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**Nicole Lesher(Whitfield)** - May 24, 2011 at 12:36 PM