



Mr. Donald Lee Cook

January 23, 1951 - June 22, 2009

Donald Lee Cook was born January 23, 1951, in Chicago, IL to Lee and Effie (Thacker) Cook, the eldest of 3 sons. He lived there until he moved to Mt. Clemens, after the death of his Mother, Effie (Thacker) Cook, to be with the Thacker-side of his family. He attended and graduated from Hirsch High School in Chicago, IL and went on to pursue higher education at DeVry College and Harvey College, in Chicago, IL. Donald was joined in marriage in 1977 to Mary Cockerham, who preceded him in death. To this union was born one child, Yolanda Nicole. He departed this life at the age of 58 on Monday, June 22, 2009, at his home in Kalamazoo, MI, where he moved two and a half years ago to be near his daughter. In the last years of his life, before moving to Kalamazoo, he lived in Mt. Clemens, MI. Donald affectionately known as "Don Juan", was a very mild-mannered person, who loved his family and had a contagious smile. His most pleasurable thing in the entire world was to watch television which he loved from the time he was a little boy, until his death. "Donny" Cook loved watching TV and if he was really into the TV, he could hear nothing else. One of his favorite words was "networking", because he loved networking and tapping into resources. He was preceded in death by his parents: Lee and Effie (Thacker) Cook; a younger brother Rickey Cook; grandparents: Robert and Bessie Thacker and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cook. He leaves to cherish his memory: his loving daughter, Yolanda (Darrell) Browning, of Kalamazoo; one brother, Bernard (Vicki) Cook, of Chicago, IL; three granddaughters, Shamari, Darianna, and Kaelyn of Kalamazoo, MI; two

nieces, Erica Cook and Arriss Tolbert; one nephew, Antione Tolbert all of Chicago, IL; one great-niece, Angel McCarns and a host of other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Service

JUL 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

Ransey Holy Temple Church of The Living God
42 Moser PL
Mt. Clemens, MI

Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Donald Lee Cook



Harper Funeral Home - June 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr. Donald Lee Cook

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mr. Donald Lee Cook

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Just wanted to say we appreciate your words & prayers; they honestly mean so much to me and our family. We also to unfortunatly do extend our sincerest condolences to your family as well, as we both know, only the love and patience of Christ can sustain us all through this transision. We invite you to walk in His steps and take hold of His mercy, for they are truely new this day! May the Lord bless you always...##imported-begin##Steve White##imported-end##

July 02, 2009 at 12:01 AM



“ Yolanda, I love you & miss Donald - 586-746-8432##imported-begin##Jacquelyn (Thacker)White##imported-end##

July 01, 2009 at 11:22 AM



“ Thank you so much dad for birthing yolanda into this world. She was a gift from GOD. I promis you I will love, honor, and care for her till death do us part. I love you, and we will meet again. Rest in peace. Your son Darrell.##imported-begin##Darrell Browning ##imported-end##

June 30, 2009 at 09:14 PM