



Mr. Eddie J. Gates

December 28, 1954 - April 21, 2008

Mr. Eddie James Gates, Jr. went home to meet his Maker, the Lord his Savior, early Monday morning, April 21, 2008, after battling a brief illness. Eddie was born December 28, 1954, in Okolona, MS, the son of Eddie and Ice Lean (Murray) Gates. He was a graduate of Ministerial Institute and College High School, in West Point, MS. He was employed during his early years at Cadillac and later retired from Langeland Family Funeral Homes. Eddie enjoyed God, life, family and his friends the most. His other joys included baseball, and basketball. He enjoyed cheering on his favorite teams, the Tigers and the Pistons. He was best known for his nickname "Gates", the ability to make others smile, and his strive for life. He is preceded in death by his parents; his maternal and paternal grandparents and 1 aunt.

Eddie is survived by his brother, Raymond Gillespie, of Georgia; sister, Patricia Murray, of Michigan; nephew, Pierre Murray, of Michigan; 2 aunts, Lois Foulks, of Michigan and Bernice Murray, of Missouri; uncle, James Murray, of Mississippi; plus many 1st cousins: Charles, Richard, Barbara, Bruce, Ricardo and Latanya, all of Michigan; Kayla, of Missouri; and Maurice Robinson-Murray, of California. Also, many 2nd and 3rd dear cousins, whom all he loved, so dearly.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home Inc.
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Service

APR 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Eddie J. Gates*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Mr. Eddie J. Gates*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM