



## Mr. Joseph E. Pearson

March 8, 1938 - October 23, 2008

Mr. Joseph Earl Pearson was born March 8, 1938, in Penison, TN. He was the son of Q.T. Pearson and Lillie M. Baker. He accepted Christ at an early age. He was a member of Second Baptist Church. While still in high school, he met the love of his life, Ida Murriel Lockett, and they both graduated together in 1957. They united in holy matrimony on June 13, 1959. To this union, two children were born, Tamara Jo Pearson and the late Tony Ray Pearson. He was a faithful member of The Galilee Baptist Church, where he served as Chief Usher, until his illness. Joe worked at Gibson Guitar and later when he was employed with the Upjohn Company. He loved music, loved to dance, and also enjoyed taking care of his lawn. His lawn ALWAYS looked manicured. His big love was the Lord and his second love was his family. Even on his sickest day, he would look at his wife and say, "Honey, have I told you lately that I love you. She would respond, "I love you the most." During his illness, he was cared for by his loving wife and daughter. Tammy was so involved in his care that Joe nicknamed her "Doctor Daughter". Joe is preceded in death by his loving parents, brother, Willard Dixon; sisters, Doris Evans and Verlene Ware, and loving son, Tony Pearson. He is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Ida Pearson; daughter, Tammy Pearson; two sisters, Jacque (Major Jr.) Eatmon and Carrie Baker; one aunt, Zenbia Cawthon, of Clarksville, TN and a host of cousins, nieces, and nephews. Also, two brother-in-laws, Theodore (sandy) Lockett, of Kalamazoo, and E.J. (Helen) Lockett, of Greenwood, MS. A nephew that seemed like a brother, Ted (Sylvella) Sibley, He will be truly missed by family and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **27**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home Inc.  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Service

OCT **28**. 1:00 PM (ET)

The Galilee Baptist Church  
1216 N. Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Joseph E. Pearson*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Mr. Joseph E. Pearson*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of this great loss, know that God is always at hand when you need him. Terry Lee*###imported-begin###*terry Lee*###imported-end###

October 30, 2008 at 04:35 AM



“ *Mrs. Pearson we will be praying for you to be strong through this time of sorrow. We love you dearly if you need anything all you have to do is call.*

*Sincerely,*

*Kenneth and Naomi Shotwell*###imported-begin###*Mr & Mrs Kenneth Shotwell*###imported-end###

October 28, 2008 at 04:10 PM