



## Ms. Deborah Denise Franco

August 1, 1956 - December 10, 2008

Ms. Deborah Denise "Neicy" (Travier) Franco was called home on December 10, 2008. She was born August 1, 1956, to the proud parents of Pauline Coleman and Willie Travier. She graduated from Benton Harbor High School in 1974. She had numerous jobs in her life, but her main focus was being a homemaker and taking care of her children. She later moved to Kalamazoo in 1989, where she continued to be a homemaker. She also volunteered at the Drop-In-Center, in Kalamazoo, MI. Deborah enjoyed shopping at thrift stores, shopping garage sales and playing the lottery. She had a passion for everyday life and she loved to reminisce about her life, and the dreams she had for the future, for her and her children. She was a great mother, grandmother and friend. Her love for others was genuine, and she was the type of person who would always speak her mind. Deborah also was a giving person, who would always lend a helping hand to anyone who needed it. She will be greatly missed by all who loved her. She is preceded in death by her parents, Pauline Travier and Willie Travier; and one brother, William Travier. She leaves to cherish her memory, 1 beautiful daughter, Amy Franco, of Kalamazoo, MI; 6 handsome sons, Adrian (Diedra) Travier; Eucebio (Theola) Travier, Dominique Grays and Cedric Franco, all of Kalamazoo, MI; Derrick Travier, of Indianapolis, IN; Xavier (Nashawn) Franco, of Niles, MI; 17 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild; 3 sisters, Rosie Travier, of Kalamazoo, MI; Cathy Travier and Jacqueline (Chris) Phillips-Travier, all of Ft. Wayne, IN; 1 brother, Wilbert Travier, of Kalamazoo, MI; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces,

nephews, cousins and several friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 17. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home Inc.  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Service

DEC 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Deborah Denise Franco*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Ms. Deborah Denise Franco*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *Well its late now and its 3yrs later the day after your passing. Im sitting here with ur baby son Junebug n ur grandson Lil D. The Christmas trees lit n we were just sitting around reminicing about u when we accidently came across this. Anyhow we all miss u so much, especially the kids. We make sure we tell Jayceon who u are n we show him pictures of u all the time and no matter how many yrs go by we'll make sure we always keep ur memory alive n u always stay in our thoughts n close to our hearts... We love u so much. Love Deborah, Jbug n fam.*

deborah mata - December 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mom; it's been a tough road without you and my life and I miss you so much. Everything was so sudden and I have so many regrets that I cannot seem to let go. I know that you're in heaven and u wouldn't dare come back but me and Sumarah miss and love you and i hope to see you again one day*

*signed by your ony daughter of 7###imported-begin###amy###imported-end##*

July 25, 2009 at 11:24 AM



“ love you derrick and sorry for your loss###imported-begin##Shantia Usher###imported-end##

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December 23, 2008 at 10:27 PM



“ The beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, the figure that she carries, or the way she combs her hair.

*The beauty of a woman must be seen within her eyes, the place where love resides. The beauty of a woman is not in a facial mole, But true beauty in a woman is reflected in her soul. It is the caring that she lovingly gives, the passion that shows, and the beauty of woman with passing your- only grows!*

*"There for you are a BEAUTIFUL WOMAN"*

*And I will miss you. and to the family I love all of yall, and I will all in pray. You guys are my family & I be there when .ever you may need me.\*Love Shawn###imported-begin##NaShawn###imported-end##*

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December 21, 2008 at 09:07 PM



“ hey grandmother and great grandmother, I was thinking about you and I want to let you know that i love you and miss you and remember that told me speak my mind at all times and i want you that strong for the both of us i want let you know that you was on my mind i just wish this wasn't true that me in a peaceful way and ju'staria can't talk but i know she love you thank-you for all you done for like been at my graduation i love you so much and love you and miss you ashes to ashes dust to dust it never bye it always see you later  
love you again###imported-begin##adrian jr. ju'staria travier###imported-end##

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December 18, 2008 at 12:22 AM



“ I belong to a philanthropic group, Psi Iota Xi. Debra's name was given to us by Ministry w/Community. We met your mother about 4 weeks ago. We were able to get her the king bed frame, twin bed, microwave, dishes, pots and pans, etc. We hope this gave your Mom some hope and encouragement for the future while she was alive.

Your mother seemed like a very kind, gentle, but strong woman who has fought illness and hardships. She was so appreciative, and very cheerful with a positive attitude. She talked fondly of her family. You could feel the love she felt for you. We are glad to have met her and wish your family the very best.

With our sincere regrets from the members of Psi Iota Xi###imported-begin###Susann Arlington###imported-end###

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December 17, 2008 at 06:50 PM



“ We, the rest of "neicy's family", wish to extend our deepest sympathy to her family. In growing up, we were a very tight knit family, but, as we grew and developed our own families we drifted away from one another. That did not lessen our memories of all the good times we had together. Neicy always had a very contagious and unique laugh. We will always remember and love her bright spirit. Rest in peace, Cousin.###imported-begin###Sandy Donald-Sherene###imported-end###

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December 17, 2008 at 06:40 PM



“ I was very sorry to get the disturbing news that Niecy's life here on earth had drawn to a close but our loving and merciful heavenly Father has the best plans and He does not make any mistakes. Although we were not raised together and share very few childhood memories, my love for you will remain in my heart. I hope that your children will contact me so that we can get to know one another.

Love, Your Sister, Barbara##imported-begin##Barbara Ann Travier Allen##imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 03:42 PM



“ It is with heartfelt prayers that i send this message especially for Derrick.T.and family I hv had the pleasure of working with Derrick for the last 2yrs. "WAIT ON THE LORD:BE OF GOOD COURAGE,AND HE SHALL STRENGTHEN THINE HEART:WAIT,I SAY,ON THE LORD." PSALM 27:14 If there is anything i can do, you already know just call me.##imported-begin##chassidy.wilkerson##imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 01:48 PM



“ My prayers are with you and yours.##imported-begin##Margoe D Drake##imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 01:10 PM



“ My heartfelt sympathy goes out to the family of Denise - She was always a cheerful person, willing to help anyone! I remember that she loved elephants, especially the jewelry. I will miss Niecy, too. Although she has gone to a better place, she will remain in our hearts forever!

*"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted."*

*Peace & Love##imported-begin##Ozell Burton##imported-end##*

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December 17, 2008 at 12:44 PM



“ IN our hearts forever, You were so witty and clever. God saw your path was difficult and heard your lonely cries. He whispered peace be thine and closed your tired eyes. Your love will be our guide. You live through your children, your always by there side, it broke there hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone, for part of everybody went with you the day god called you home. We are keeping the family in our thoughts and our prayers. Family, hold your head up and keep all your memories Niecy is still watching us and wouldn't want us to be sad because she was a happy person. Love you all##imported-begin##Eleanor, Stephanie, Richonda, Shaya##imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 11:05 AM



“ God looked around his garden and found an empty place, He then looked down upon this earth and saw your loving face. He saw your path was difficult and closed your weary eyes, He whispered to you "Peace be Thine" and gave you wings to fly. It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone. For part of us went with you on the day god called you home. Neicy, you treated us like your nephews and we we will miss your smiling face. Rest In Peace "Auntie" The DeLaney Boyz##imported-begin## Khirus, Stephan, Michael Jr, Davarus##imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 10:54 AM



“ Memories For A Loved One: We thought of you today but that is nothing new. We thought of you yesterday and the days before that too. We think of you in silence, we often speak your name, all we have are memories and your picture in a frame. Your memory is our keepsake, with which we'll never part., God has you in HIS KEEPING, WE HAVE YOU IN OUR HEARTS.##imported-begin##Michael & Stephanie DeLaney & family##imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 10:26 AM



“ I wanted to give my condolences to the family. Our children brought us together and I can remember them graduating and us all being together. I never would've thought this day would come so soon. You'll be greatly missed. Derrick you'll always be like a son to me. My heart felt sympathies.##imported-begin##Judy Parker##imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 09:34 AM



“ family is very important.and we are all a family now is the time to pull together and strengthen each other .life is so short no one should have to go but we must .remember all the good times and let all the bad go.go to the father from him you will gain strength.we love yall sol`brenda`and brandy.fam forever###imported-begin###brenda clark###imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 09:12 AM



“ I HAVE NOT SEAN NEICY IN YEARS, I LOVED THE WHOLE FAMILY! I CAN REMEMBER THE DAY SHE GAVE BIRTH TO HER SON ADRIAN. I LIVED IN THE PROJECTS ON CONCORD RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM THEM, I EVEN REMEMBER THE HOUSE MISS PAULINE USE TO LIVE IN WITH THE( MERRY-GO-ROUND)IN THE BACK YARD; NEICY WAS A BEAUTIFUL PERSON INSIDE OUT ,GOD HAS A PERFECT ANGEL IN HIS KINGDOM. I MISS THE WHOLE FAMILY; NOW NEICY IS WITH HER MOM , THEY WAS SO CLOSE; GOD BLESS YOU ALL AND I WILL KEEP YOU ALL IN MY PRAYER.(TEDDY)FROM BENTON HARBOR, NOW LIVES IN GRAND RAPIDS###imported-begin###CLARENCE (teddy)HENDERSON###imported-end##

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December 17, 2008 at 01:17 AM



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December 17, 2008 at 01:12 AM



“ To a family that I love truly. Im truly sorry for your loss. I met Niecy as a teen and loved her. She was always available to her kids and grandkids. She was taken to soon and will be missed daily. Anyone who ever had the pleasure to meet her cant help but smile when they think of her. My deepest sympathies.###imported-begin##Stacy Parker###imported-end##

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December 16, 2008 at 10:41 PM



“ hey whats up mother i know your in heaven now smiling down on us. i wish you were still here with us thru the good and the bad. i enjoyed every moment of your presence anything that i could do for you in my power i would make it happen me and big bro will send you home happy and the family have you in our hearts forever. I Love You###imported-begin##xavier de franco###imported-end##

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December 16, 2008 at 09:22 PM



“ Zave I'm very sorry to hear about the lost of your mom. The time that i know her she were a very sweet person. neicy will be missed. Zave i know it's hard to understand why she had to go, But God knows best and she's in a better place.May God Bless You And Your Family and I'LL KEEP YOU IN MY PRAYER'S.LOVE YOU ANNIE YOUNG.##imported-begin##Annie Young##imported-end##

December 15, 2008 at 11:13 PM



“ aunty neicy im going to miss you. and i love you so sad to see you go. for the family keep your head up. God loves you. love dezha##imported-begin##Dezha Givhan##imported-end##

December 15, 2008 at 09:59 PM



“ God saw she was at her happiest. But it was time for her to sleep. So God put his arms around her. And said Neicey come with me. With tear fill eyes we watch her soul fade away, Although we love her deeply, we could not make her stay. Her golden heart stopped beating, Hard working hands put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us.....HE ONLY TAKES THE BEST Love you sister Cathy##imported-begin##Cathy Travier##imported-end##

December 15, 2008 at 09:43 PM



“ Sister God has taken you home. It hurt so much to see you go but we know you are in a better place. Until we see each other again I love you very much, and miss you like crazy. Your Sister Cathy##imported-begin##Cathy Travier##imported-end##

December 15, 2008 at 08:26 PM



“ Me and my family is deeply touched to hear of Neicy's passing. Neicy and her family were our neighbors on Pavone St. in Benton Harbor, and she was a joy to have as a neighbor, always with a smile on her face. And i know she will be be truly missed by all who knew her.

God Bless,

Cora M. Henry##imported-begin##Cora M. Henry##imported-end##

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December 15, 2008 at 06:10 PM



“ I am sending my prayers for the lost of your mother, grandmother and friend, but for all of you to know that she is a better place now with the Lord. Adrian, I want you to know that you have a special place in my heart and that that thoughts are with you to at this time.

Sincerely with love,

Michelle Seaberry

Fiancee of Adrian Travier##imported-begin##Michelle Seaberry##imported-end##

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December 15, 2008 at 05:19 PM



“ To the family i would like apoligize about your lost. Your guys are my family and if you ever need someone to talk to i am here. I love you guys! I know all of you are strong stay that way!

Neicy (mama) your truly going to be missed your my mother in law. I love you, your one of the sweetest ladies i know. I enjoyed the time i have known you! I hope you continue to look down and wrap your arms around your kids. I am going to miss you and I love you!##imported-begin##kesha ##imported-end##

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December 15, 2008 at 11:31 AM

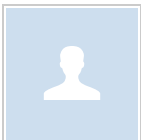


“ still not able 2 accept the fact you are gone but i love you and i will always miss you i just hope when you get 2 heaven you wait for me. cedric is fine dont worry bout him but im glad to have gotten so close to you

your 1 and only daughter##imported-begin##amy##imported-end##

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December 15, 2008 at 12:16 AM



“ Denise you will truly be miss we had so many good time I know when you come into this world that one day you would have to leave and your time has come so Denise until I we see each other again know that I will always miss and love you so much.

Love You,  
Deidra##imported-begin##Deidra##imported-end##

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December 14, 2008 at 04:29 PM



“ hey mom i love and miss you so much this is your son zave i know your in a better place now we all love you i know you up there with grandma your dad lil will and your friends.i wish this didn't happen so soon. i can't really get over this it doesn't seem true.##imported-begin##xavier de franco##imported-end##

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December 13, 2008 at 01:54 PM