



Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett

June 6, 1926 - September 29, 2015

Mrs. Needa Mae Moore-Lockett went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, September 29, 2015 in Kalamazoo, MI. She was born June 6, 1926 in Dixon Mills, AL, one of twelve children born to the late Galloway and Sarah Moore. She accepted Christ at an early age at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Dixon Mills, AL. She later united with the Galilee Baptist Church in Kalamazoo and before her health declined, she fellowshipped with the Faith Temple Church of God. Needa Mae graduated from Marengo High School and enrolled in college at Alabama State University in Montgomery. While a student at ASU, she attended Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, where her Sunday School teacher was the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

She married the late Roy Lee "Sporty Cat" Lockett on December 25, 1952 in Meridian, MS. She and Roy moved to Kalamazoo in the early 1950's and opened their homes to many family members who migrated up north and helped them to get a good start.

Education was very important to Needa Mae and she always encouraged everyone to continue their education. After relocating to Kalamazoo, she also attended Kalamazoo Valley Community College. She loved children and was a teacher's aide for many years at Lincoln and Woodward Elementary Schools and Lakeside Academy. During the summers, she worked at Brown Company, did private housecleaning and she was the main cook at the Simpson Resort in Grand Junction.

Needa Mae loved the outdoors and especially loved fishing and gardening. She also loved cooking for her family and would cook all day on Saturday through Sunday. It was very important to her for everyone to be together for Sunday family dinners. There would be enough good for anyone who would stop by for a plate! She will be deeply missed by all her knew and loved her.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Roy Lockett; her parents, Galloway and Sarah Moore; 11 siblings: Samuel, Noah, Bernice, Robert ("RB"), Tommy, Elizabeth, Thelma, Galloway, Bessie Pearl, Herbert Don and Herrod James.

Needa Mae leaves to cherish her memory, her daughter, Pamela Bowden and a son-in-law whom she dearly loved, Donald “Cup“ Bowden; her son LaRoy Lockett and daughter, Lorraine Lockett; grandson, Shawn and Terrence Bowden and Quinton; 2 sister-in-laws, Bernice Moore and Sarah Moore; a very special, loving look-alike niece, Grace Moore!; her caregivers, Delores Bowden and her sons, Marcus and “Meer-Meer”; special friends, Richard Bowden, Melvin Hick, Leon Jones; and her next door neighbor, Mrs. Lessie Jones. She also leaves a host of special nieces, nephews and friends.

Cemetery Details

Fort Custer National Cemetery

15501 Dickman Road
Augusta, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 5. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Visitation

OCT 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Faith Temple Church of God
402 S. Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

A Celebration Of Life & Love

OCT 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

Faith Temple Church of God
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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett



Harper Funeral Home - October 05, 2015 at 06:03 PM



“ Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Melinda Thomas - Pickett



Melinda thomas - June 04, 2016 at 03:18 PM



“ To the Family of Mrs Lockett: Our condolences go out to the family during your time of bereavemnet. Remember earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal, continue to keep the faith in Jesus! He will see you through this difficult time.

Eva L Ozier and Family

Eva L Ozier - October 07, 2015 at 03:50 PM

HT

“ Hazel Tellis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett



Hazel Tellis - October 07, 2015 at 10:10 AM

CD

“ Rest In Peace Aunt Mae, Carmesha Dixon...

Carmesha Dixon - October 06, 2015 at 08:02 PM



“ May your memories comfort you during your time of loss.
Condolences to your family.
Gwendolyn Hooker



Gwendolyn Hooker - October 06, 2015 at 02:57 AM

CS

“ My deepest condolences to all of the family. May you all find peace in knowing that heaven just gained a great angel and now her journey that she lived to reach can begin! Auntie Mae will forever live in our hearts.

Love,

Charlene and your Great great nephew Willie Sledge

Charlene Sledge - October 05, 2015 at 07:36 PM



“ Karest Willis-Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett



Karest Willis-Brown - October 05, 2015 at 08:44 AM

PG

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett*



Pauline Gardner - October 05, 2015 at 07:41 AM

CS

“ *Chylonn Spencer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett*



chylonn spencer - October 04, 2015 at 09:11 AM

WE

“ *Auntie Mae we've shared so many memories,hug my Gmommas and my momma. U will b missed WeeWee*

WeeWee - October 03, 2015 at 11:00 AM

SM

“ *Stephanie Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett*



stephanie moore - October 03, 2015 at 04:51 AM

MS

“ *I'm sure the family all know just how much this angel blessed me in my life, I think back to the many trips and dinner's we shared. She will always be in my heart...*

Michael Shotwell - October 02, 2015 at 11:06 PM

MS

“ *Michael Shotwell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Needa Mae Lockett*



Michael Shotwell - October 02, 2015 at 11:04 PM