



Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor

January 25, 1964 - April 13, 2025

***A FUNERAL SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY FOR MR. ORLANDO MARIO TAYLOR WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2025 AT THE OUR FUNERAL HOME.

***PLEASE SEE VISITATION & SERVICE TIMES LISTED BELOW.

**MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER WILL BE PROVIDED BY REQUEST.

***NOTE: The DVD Tribute will be available soon

Orlando Mario Taylor, age 61, passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 13, 2025 at the age of 61. He was born on January 25, 1964 in Kalamazoo, Michigan to the late H. Victor Taylor and Madge (Whaling) Taylor, the eleventh child of eleven children. He received his education in the Kalamazoo Public School system and graduates from Kalamazoo Central in the class of 1983.

During the summers of 1981 and 1982 he worked for the Kalamazoo City summer program painting throughout the city. After graduating from high school in 1984, Orlando enlisted in the US Army. Due to a medical condition, he was discharged in 1984. Afterwards he obtained employment with the City of Kalamazoo. You may have seen him working in the city parks maintaining grounds, cutting grass or plowing snow. Orlando spent 30 years proudly

servicing the City of Kalamazoo and mentoring fellow workers along the way. When work called day or night, he was there to work committed to servicing the City of Kalamazoo until retiring.

Orlando was the father of four children. His first-born son, Montrell Taylor brought him great satisfaction in his life. After his eldest child his daughter Keoshi Taylor was born bringing more satisfaction. Orlando then met Heather (wife) and united in marriage, to this union his son Orlando Taylor Jr. and youngest daughter Olivia Taylor were born which completed his family. Orlando valued the importance of family and cherished his children.

Orlando had a genuine kind sense of humor. He enjoyed reading the comic strips in the local newspaper and outings with family and close family friends. He enjoyed fishing, swimming and good music.

He loved roller skating. You could catch him smooth rolling on the skating rinks floor with his brother Hector and close friend Ivory Joe. His favorite songs to skate to will always keep our memories holding him near to our hearts. Orlando was the uncle to many nephews and nieces who he shared lifelong memories and special bonds with.

Orlando leaves to mourn and to celebrate his glorious life and treasured memories: son Montrell (Gretta) Taylor of Kalamazoo, MI, daughter Keoshi Taylor of Orlando, Florida, son Orlando Jr. Taylor of Kalamazoo, daughter Olivia Taylor of Kalamazoo, 7 grandchildren, Montaeja Taylor, Camilla Taylor, Montrell Taylor, Nihveah Cruz, Jhy'meir Wilkins, Mya Taylor, and Travonte Darby; two sisters Mildred Burch (Alfred); Anita Taylor two brothers Vincent Taylor (Lenore); Tico Taylor; and a host of many nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were his wife Heather, his parents H Victor and Madge

Taylor, and 5 siblings. Orlando will be truly missed and forever in our hearts.

Previous Events

Visitation For Family & Friends

MAY 3. 4:30 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

A Service in Loving Memory

MAY 3. 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor



Harper Funeral Home - May 07, 2025 at 09:03 PM

EF

“ Earline Fields and family lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor



Earline Fields and family - May 03, 2025 at 02:55 PM

EF

“ My Condolences to the Taylor family



Earline Fields and family - May 03, 2025 at 02:54 PM

VT

“ 10 files added to the album *Some Photos*



VINCENT J TAYLOR - May 03, 2025 at 12:05 PM

DB

“ *Donald & Ruby (Walker) Barbee lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor*



Donald & Ruby (Walker) Barbee - May 02, 2025 at 03:19 PM

DK

“ *Doug Kingston lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor*



Doug Kingston - May 02, 2025 at 12:58 PM

TF

“ Tyrone & Karen Foster lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor



Tyrone & Karen Foster - May 01, 2025 at 03:22 PM

JT

“ John& Kim Robertson - Mana & Mia Taylor purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor.



John& Kim Robertson - Mana & Mia Taylor - April 30, 2025 at 11:43 AM

DS

“ Dixie Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor



Dixie Smith - April 29, 2025 at 09:42 AM

YC

“ Yolonda D Cross lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor



Yolonda D Cross - April 29, 2025 at 08:24 AM

AR

“ *ArleneBuchanan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor*



ArleneBuchanan - April 28, 2025 at 08:21 AM

CS

“ *Cynthia Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor*



Cynthia Smith - April 28, 2025 at 06:47 AM

LC

“ *Leslie Cartwright lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor*



Leslie Cartwright - April 27, 2025 at 09:51 PM

CG

“ *Curtis Gardner lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor*



Curtis Gardner - April 26, 2025 at 10:41 AM

BM

“ Betty and Pete McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor



Betty and Pete McDaniel - April 26, 2025 at 08:48 AM

MJ

My condolences to the Taylor family.

Mary Johnson - April 28, 2025 at 02:17 AM

VT

“ 2 files added to the album Some Photos



VINCENT J TAYLOR - April 25, 2025 at 11:29 AM

PG

“ Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor



Pauline Gardner - April 25, 2025 at 07:49 AM

AW

“ *Angeal Word lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor*



Angeal Word - April 23, 2025 at 04:35 PM

BG

“ *Beverly Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor*



Beverly Green - April 23, 2025 at 04:25 PM

JV

“ *Janie Varnesdeel lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor*



Janie Varnesdeel - April 23, 2025 at 03:39 PM

JV

“ *Janie Varnesdeel lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor*



Janie Varnesdeel - April 23, 2025 at 03:29 PM

GN

“ *May almighty God rest his soul and may perpetual light shine upon him.*



Gerald Norris - April 22, 2025 at 09:51 PM

JS

“ *Jytisha Streeter lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor*



Jytisha Streeter - April 22, 2025 at 06:32 PM

BM

“ *Betty Galloway McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor*



Betty Galloway McDaniel - April 21, 2025 at 09:12 PM

YR

“ *Yvonne Heltzel Reese sent a virtual gift in memory of Orlando Taylor*



Yvonne Heltzel Reese - April 21, 2025 at 08:17 PM

DF

“ *Dallas Boards and family lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor*



Dallas Boards and family - April 21, 2025 at 02:53 PM

KF

“ *Kevin Ford and family lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor*



Kevin Ford and family - April 21, 2025 at 10:42 AM

JD

“ *JACK Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor*



JACK Dunigan - April 21, 2025 at 10:29 AM

HB

“ *My deepest condolences to Orlando's family.*



Helen Mills Brooks - April 20, 2025 at 08:45 PM

DB

“ Dale And Merry Battles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor



Dale and Merry Battles - April 20, 2025 at 06:14 PM

ES

“ Ethel (Jones) Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor



Ethel (Jones) Smith - April 20, 2025 at 07:09 AM

BJ

“ Bari Brown Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor



Bari Brown Jr - April 20, 2025 at 01:32 AM

CS

“ Chris & Tracy & Gaila Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Orlando Mario Taylor



Chris & Tracy & Gaila Smith - April 19, 2025 at 07:43 PM

CB

“ *Claudia Barbee lit a candle in memory of Orlando Taylor*



Claudia Barbee - April 19, 2025 at 10:49 AM