



Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy

August 17, 1938 - July 3, 2020

****NOTE: A PUBLIC WALK-THROUGH VISITATION WILL BE HELD 4:30-7:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020 AT THE FUNERAL HOME. ONLY (10) PEOPLE CAN ENTER AT A TIME & MASKS ARE REQUIRED BEFORE ENTERING BUILDING

***A GRAVESIDE SERVICE IS BEING HELD 11:00 A.M. THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2020 AT RIVERSIDE CEMETERY

Pearline Poplar McCoy passed away peacefully Friday morning July 3, 2020 at Rose Arbor Hospice facility. Pearlline was born August 17, 1938 in Okolona, MS to Caleb and Patsy (Smith) Fields, Sr. Pearlline's brother Caleb Fields transitioned the entire Field's family over a number of years in the late 1950's to Kalamazoo, MI.

Pearline met the love of her life in the late 50's and married the late Arthur Poplar on July 1960. The couple shared 24 wonderful years of marriage prior to Arthur's death in February 1984. To this union were 4 children, Darryl (Rotunda), Anthony and Veronica Poplar of Kalamazoo, MI, Arthur (Gloria) Poplar of Douglasville, GA. Pearlline also mothered 3 additional children, Maxine Wells of Rison Arkansas, Ricky and Diane Poplar of Flint, Michigan.

Pearline has 7 grandchildren; Maurice (Anna) Swift, DaQuary Blanks, Shianne (Robert) Hankerson, Tyson (Carol Tardy) Poplar, Jamar Poplar, Jawaun Bell, Darryl Poplar Jr., and a host of step-grandchildren; Sheila Rush, Antwaine Bey, Tasha Flowers, Ebony & Ivory Poplar, Aaryn Wilson, and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Pearline confessed her belief in Christ at an early age in Okolona. After her move to Kalamazoo, she became a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, where she was an active Sunday School teacher and member of the Mt Zion Choir #2. Pearlina's union with Arthur transferred their membership to Galilee Baptist Church where she was a member in the Inspirational Choir and Hospitality Ministries. Pearlina later became a member of Faith Assembly Christian Fellowship in Battle Creek, MI upon her later remarriage.

Pearline lived as a 25 year widow's lifestyle--boldly stating she would never remarry; however, Pearlina reacquainted a friendship with her past Choir Director Eugene Billy McCoy after Eugene recognized her at a mutual friend's memorial service. That friendship evolved into a 10 year marriage to the Bishop Eugene Billy McCoy August 4, 2009 until his untimely death August 9, 2018. This union blended two additional sons and grandchildren to the family, Pastor Christopher (Denise) McCoy of Battle Creek, MI; and the late Steven (Jennifer) McCoy of Lansing MI, 6 grandchildren; Evan, Christopher II, Stefan, Sidney, Taylor, and Sierra McCoy.

Pearline held a number of employments over the years including Bronson Hospital, Shakespeare, 20 years at Gibson Guitar Company and later retiring after 20 years from The Upjohn Company in 2000.

Pearline was known for her beautiful smile, kind heart, loving personality, and positive disposition, she never met a stranger nor had a negative opinion of anyone. Pearlina instilled in her children to "treat others how you want to be

treated".

Pearline was preceded in death by her husbands, Arthur Poplar and Bishop Eugene Billy McCoy; parents Caleb and Patsy Fields; brothers; Caleb Jr., James and William Fields, and sister Ruby (James) Burnett; in-laws Joe Williams, S.V (Patty), William ("Bum"), Sam Poplar, Bernadine (Richard) Smith of Flint, MI, and James McCoy of Detroit, MI.

Pearline leaves to cherish her memories: her sister, Quella (Bishop Tommie) Lockett of Kalamazoo, MI, her children and grandchildren, special sister-in-law Mattie Fields of Kalamazoo, Ruby Mae Fields of Phoenix AZ, and Rosie (Leonard) Rogers of Fort Wayne, IN, Victoria (Lawrence) Brooks, Hattie Mae (Lee) Watson, Henry (Victoria), James (Jackie), Fred (Donna) Poplar of Flint, MI and Ruth (Raymond) Blackwell of Phoenix AZ.

Pearline also leaves her best friends of 50 plus years, Mossey Dixison of Kalamazoo, MI, Ms. Ernestine Williams of Los Angeles, CA, and Marilyn Moored of Allegan, niece Wendy Fields who says she is the "special niece", however, Gloria, Melba, Nina, Debra Fields and Robin Robinson may attest.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

1015 Gull Rd
Kalamazoo, MI 49048-1733
(269) 337-8227

Previous Events

Walk Through Visitation for Public

JUL 8. 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Graveside Service in Loving Memory

JUL 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Riverside Cemetery
1015 Gull Rd
Kalamazoo, MI 49048-1733
(269) 337-8227

Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Harper Funeral Home - July 12, 2020 at 04:51 PM

B(

Mother was a kind spirited woman and saint. She will be missed.

Barbara Harris (BA) - July 20, 2020 at 04:08 PM



“ Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Tikita Garland lit a candle in memory of Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Tikita Garland - September 23, 2020 at 09:12 PM

JV

“ *Janie Varnesdeel lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Janie Varnesdeel - August 20, 2020 at 03:07 PM

CW

“ *Carolyn White&Family lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Carolyn White&Family - July 24, 2020 at 03:55 AM

JW

“ *Jean White lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Jean White - July 24, 2020 at 03:53 AM

TF

“ *The White Family lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



The White Family - July 24, 2020 at 03:51 AM

CW

“ Carolyn Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Carolyn Walker - July 20, 2020 at 02:34 PM



“ Darlene Zackery sent a virtual gift in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Darlene Zackery - July 16, 2020 at 09:53 PM

VP

“ Veronica Poplar lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Veronica Poplar - July 15, 2020 at 09:36 AM

SS

“ Sherry Smith lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Sherry Smith - July 14, 2020 at 02:38 PM



“ Gwendolyn Childs lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy



Gwendolyn Childs - July 13, 2020 at 08:05 PM



“ Angela Brown lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy



Angela Brown - July 13, 2020 at 10:35 AM



“ Condolences go out to the family.



Cordell/Brenda - July 12, 2020 at 07:25 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



Harper Funeral Home - July 12, 2020 at 04:36 PM

TP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Tyson Poplar - July 11, 2020 at 06:13 PM

TP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Tyson Poplar - July 11, 2020 at 06:13 PM

TP

“ We miss you so much Granny. I miss our conversations and your laugh!

Rest Easy My Lady! I love you much, until we meet again. Love you always ~ Tyson



Tyson Poplar - July 11, 2020 at 06:12 PM

LL

“ *Lula Ligon lit a candle in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



Lula Ligon - July 10, 2020 at 04:41 PM

PF

“ *PATTERSON FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



PATTERSON FAMILY - July 10, 2020 at 02:24 PM

EF

“ *Earline Fields And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



Earline Fields and Family - July 10, 2020 at 07:29 AM

TP

“ *Tyson Poplar lit a candle in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



Tyson Poplar - July 09, 2020 at 07:31 PM

TP

“ Tyson Poplar lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy



Tyson Poplar - July 09, 2020 at 06:30 PM

TP

“ We miss you so much Granny! Rest easy my Lady. I love you so much and appreciate the time you had to share with all of us. Until we see each other again. Love Always - Tyson



Tyson Poplar - July 09, 2020 at 06:28 PM

HS

“ Hilda Bradford Snell lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy



Hilda Bradford Snell - July 09, 2020 at 03:32 PM

CD

“ Charles & Ann Dunigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy



Charles & Ann Dunigan - July 09, 2020 at 02:13 AM

KG

“ Karen Gray sent a virtual gift in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Karen Gray - July 09, 2020 at 01:17 AM

GG

“ Guenetta Gordon lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Guenetta Gordon - July 08, 2020 at 11:20 PM

FW

“ My condolences to all of Cousin Pearls'
children and those that were closes to her.
Know that the Holy Spirit will keep His
promise to provide comfort and guildance to
those that ask. He is by your side through it
all. We are praying with and for you.



Carl and Florest Wilson

Florest Wilson - July 08, 2020 at 10:19 PM

VI

“ *Victoria lit a candle in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



Victoria - July 08, 2020 at 08:10 PM

AR

My Prayers go out the Family, you are in my Prayers.

Audrey Rancifer-McGrew - July 11, 2020 at 02:38 PM



“ *Cathy Page lit a candle in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



Cathy Page - July 08, 2020 at 06:44 PM

JM

“ *Joyce McDowell sent a virtual gift in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



Joyce McDowell - July 08, 2020 at 05:11 PM

CF

“ *Charleston Family lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Charleston Family - July 08, 2020 at 04:05 PM

MR

“ *Sending sincere condolence to your family. Memories of a happier time will last forever.*



Modean Reevees - July 08, 2020 at 03:49 PM

SH

“ *Sam Hughes lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Sam Hughes - July 08, 2020 at 02:37 PM

RW

“ *RJ & Anita Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



RJ & Anita Wilkerson - July 08, 2020 at 02:26 PM

TH

“ Teresa Hughes lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Teresa Hughes - July 08, 2020 at 02:00 PM

AT

“ Alice Taylor lit a candle in memory of Pearline
Annette Poplar McCoy



Alice Taylor - July 08, 2020 at 10:36 AM

KG

“ My deepest condolences go out to the Poplar-
McCoy family. Mama P was such a beautiful
loving QUEEN and will truly be missed. So
many happy memories of her. I loved how she
would shrugg those shoulders up n down when
she would dance....chair dance.. ☐ Treasured
in my heart she will stay until we meet again some day. Rest in
peace Mama P. Love you always and forever! Karen



Karen Gray - July 08, 2020 at 09:11 AM

JD

“ Jack Dunigan sent a virtual gift in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Jack Dunigan - July 08, 2020 at 08:58 AM

JD

“ Jack Dunigan lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Jack Dunigan - July 08, 2020 at 08:58 AM

HB

“ Hal & Janet Buchanan lit a candle in memory
of Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Hal & Janet Buchanan - July 08, 2020 at 08:43 AM

TJ

“ Tina Johnson-Menser lit a candle in memory
of Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Tina Johnson-Menser - July 08, 2020 at 08:43 AM

TF

“ *The Daniel Family lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



The Daniel Family - July 08, 2020 at 08:43 AM

TF

“ *The Daniel Family lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



The Daniel Family - July 08, 2020 at 08:41 AM

PG

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Pauline Gardner - July 08, 2020 at 08:40 AM

MP

“ *Mollie Peterson lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Mollie Peterson - July 08, 2020 at 08:15 AM

LJ

“ *Laverne Jones lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Laverne Jones - July 08, 2020 at 08:04 AM

JD

“ *Joann Dixon lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Joann Dixon - July 08, 2020 at 06:43 AM

FF

“ *Frank& Betty Ford lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Frank& Betty Ford - July 08, 2020 at 12:57 AM

SH

“ *Sam Hughes lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Sam Hughes - July 07, 2020 at 11:37 PM

AR

“ *ArleneBuchanan lit a candle in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



ArleneBuchanan - July 07, 2020 at 09:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy.*



July 07, 2020 at 07:45 PM

EW

“ *Eccl 3:1 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heavens : Pearl , you will be greatly missed ! Your friend since our teen age years . Ernestine Legans Williams*

Ernestine Williams - July 07, 2020 at 07:36 PM

TW

“ *Terri Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar McCoy*



Terri Walker - July 07, 2020 at 06:52 PM

JW

“ *Jeanetta Walker lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Jeanetta Walker - July 07, 2020 at 06:51 PM

DF

“ *Dallas Boards And Family lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Dallas Boards and family - July 07, 2020 at 06:40 PM

EH

“ *Elmira L Hughes lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



elmira l hughes - July 07, 2020 at 05:41 PM

KD

“ *Kevin Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Pearlline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Kevin Dunigan - July 07, 2020 at 05:17 PM

JD

“ Jack Dunigan sent a virtual gift in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Jack Dunigan - July 07, 2020 at 04:53 PM

JD

“ Jack Dunigan lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Jack Dunigan - July 07, 2020 at 04:52 PM

YR

“ Yvonne Heltzel Reese lit a candle in memory
of Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Yvonne Heltzel Reese - July 07, 2020 at 04:32 PM

CJ

“ Carolyn Johnson lit a candle in memory of
Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy



Carolyn Johnson - July 07, 2020 at 04:32 PM

EC

“ Our Condolences 🙏 Mark & Lizzie 🙏🙏🙏 May
God Be With You All 🙏



Elizabeth Coleman - July 07, 2020 at 04:29 PM

DB

“ Donald & Ruby (Walker) Barbee sent a virtual
gift in memory of Pearlina Annette Poplar
McCoy



Donald & Ruby (Walker) Barbee - July 07, 2020 at 04:13 PM

CG

*May the Lord bring peace and comfort to the children and family,
friends of Mrs. Pearlina Poplar. Curtis & Elaine Gardner*

curtis gardner - July 08, 2020 at 09:16 AM

SE

Love you Mother RIH, Stan and Sherry Ezell

Sherry Coffey Ezell - July 08, 2020 at 11:09 AM

DM

Rest in Heaven. All of you (family) are in our prayers 🙏🙏

*Helen Dungey
Debra Moore*

Debra Moore - July 09, 2020 at 12:54 PM

DF

“ *Darrell Hobson And Family lit a candle in memory of Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Darrell Hobson and family - July 07, 2020 at 02:36 PM

HB

“ *Helen Mills Brooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Pearline Annette Poplar McCoy*



Helen Mills Brooks - July 07, 2020 at 02:10 PM