



Mr. Robert Lee Mills

April 9, 1939 - December 22, 2015

Robert Lee Mills departed this life on Tuesday, December 22, 2015 at his home in Kalamazoo, MI. Robert was born on Easter Sunday, April 9, 1939, the son of William and Anna Mills in Kalamazoo, MI. He attended Kalamazoo Public Schools. He was employed at Hepps Clothing Store, Checker Motors and he worked at the Upjohn Company, until his retirement in 1992.

Robert had an outgoing personality and was known for his sense of humor. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He was a very good cook and loved to cook for his family. He was known for his pork roast and his meatloaf. He loved to work with his hands and was very skilled and fixing things and putting them together. He also enjoyed traveling. While growing up in Kalamazoo, Robert made friends with a group of young men that he became life-long friends with, and they became known as "The Big 7". He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; William and Anna Mills; four brothers, William Mills, Clifford Mills, Henry Douglas Sr., and Kenneth Mills.

Robert leaves to cherish his memory, his wife Annie Mae Mills; his children: Jason Mills and Yvonne Heltzel all of of Kalamazoo; Robert L. Mills Jr. (Carolyn) of Battle Creek, MI; Tyrone Hoskins (Lisa), Angela Hopkins and Victoria Jones (Lamond) all of Kalamazoo; William Mills (Tanya) of Battle

Creek; Cheryl Mills Daniels of Virginia; Terry Mills, Monica Sullivan, Maurice Mills (Libby), and Anthony Dunigan (Katrina) all of Kalamazoo; Steven Dunigan (Pam) of California; stepchildren, Frederick Harrison (Rebecca) of Kalamazoo; Deborah Hightower (Michael) of Battle Creek and Theresa Nickelson of Kalamazoo; 48 grandchildren; 69 great-grandchildren; 9 great-great grandchildren; 5 sisters, Bernice McKinley; Marion Dixon; Evelyn Coleman; Helen (Frank) Brooks; and Pauline Gardner all of Kalamazoo, MI. Also several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

1015 Gull Road
Kalamazoo, MI 49048

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

A Service in Loving Memory

DEC 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt Zion Baptist Church
120 Roberson Street
Kalamazoo, MI

Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Harper Funeral Home - December 29, 2015 at 08:12 PM

MM

Dad as i watch this video my tears keep falling i miss u so much u have ur wings now u can fly high luv ur oldest daughter Monica marie mills

Monica mills - December 30, 2015 at 09:53 AM



Beautiful keep your head up Mon!

Stephen Hill - December 30, 2015 at 07:16 PM



“ Mr. Robert Lee Mills

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mr. Robert Lee Mills

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM

CS

“ *Carmen Steward lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Carmen Steward - January 28, 2016 at 01:10 PM

WW

“ *Willie West lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Willie West - January 13, 2016 at 07:09 AM

AR

“ *Abdul-R Rashid lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Abdul-R Rashid - January 03, 2016 at 11:37 PM

AR

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Robert's passing, even though "we all" have to pass that way as well. Robert was one of my friends as well....everybody knew him! May G-D bless him to enter the Paradise and bless him for all the good that he did, Amen.*
Abdul-R [Robert Gaston] Rashid

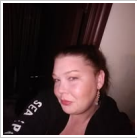
Abdul-R Rashid - January 03, 2016 at 11:31 PM

GM

“ *Glenda Gail McKinley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Glenda Gail McKinley - December 31, 2015 at 07:52 PM



“ *Rachel Kent lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Rachel Kent - December 31, 2015 at 04:54 PM

MJ

“ *It is said our children are a reflection of us. Mr. Mills has left a strong loving and beautiful legacy of himself in his children. The Lord has given him favor and many blessings. We are sad to see him go home he will be missed yet we rejoice knowing he now rests in the Lords hands now. We can only pray we can find and share the peace he now feels. Know Family, he is at peace now and he left you all the strength, courage and yes, peace to grieve his passing and the courage to go on and live the legacy he gave you all. The Rancifer Sisters and family*

Melissa Jeremiah - December 31, 2015 at 08:53 AM

MJ

“ *Melissa Jeremiah lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Melissa Jeremiah - December 31, 2015 at 08:40 AM

TF

“ *THE PATTERSON FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



THE PATTERSON FAMILY - December 30, 2015 at 04:33 PM

CF

“ *Charleston Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Charleston Family - December 30, 2015 at 02:40 PM



“ *Jacqueline Ezell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Jacqueline Ezell - December 30, 2015 at 01:46 PM

MM

“ Maurice Mills lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Maurice Mills - December 30, 2015 at 08:50 AM

DB

“ Donald & Ruby Barbee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Donald & Ruby Barbee - December 29, 2015 at 09:51 PM



“ 52 files added to the album LifeTributes



Harper Funeral Home - December 29, 2015 at 07:58 PM

UW

“ Robert we know you will have all the children in heaven bubbling with laughter, as you did with us, when we were kids on Cobb St.

Ursula

Lele

Mema &

Gina



Ursula Williams - December 29, 2015 at 05:23 PM

CD

“ My condolence to the Mills Family Carmesha Dixon



Carmesha Doxon - December 29, 2015 at 04:18 PM



“ When my dad made him upset he always said " I brought you in this world I'll take you out of it" it always made me laugh and when I lived with him on picture he made me breakfast all the time. Most definitely gone miss my grandad



Arron Hernandez - December 29, 2015 at 03:36 PM

 Emily Jones

“ rest peacefully in paradise. I will never forgot your amazing sense of humor smiling face and loving heart. It was a pleasure meeting you and having you in a part of my life.


Emily Jones - December 29, 2015 at 02:52 PM

CF

“ *Charlene & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Charlene & family - December 29, 2015 at 01:08 PM


Kamesha
Mills

“ *Kamesha Mills lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Kamesha Mills - December 29, 2015 at 11:32 AM

LM

“ *Libby Mills lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Libby Mills - December 29, 2015 at 06:59 AM

MM

“ *Monica Sullivan Mills lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Monica sullivan mills - December 28, 2015 at 08:54 PM

YH

“ Yheltzel7477 lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Yheltzel7477 - December 28, 2015 at 08:36 PM

VJ

“ Love You Dad, You've Got Your Wings, Continue To Rest In Paradise, You Are Definitely Going To Be Missed, But Never Ever Ever Forgotten, I Love You Soooo Much, Rest, Rest, My First Love, My DAD,....

Victoria Jones - December 28, 2015 at 07:26 PM

YH

“ Yvonne Heltzel lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Yvonne Heltzel - December 28, 2015 at 06:54 PM

PL

“ Pamela Ampey Lyles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Pamela Ampey Lyles - December 28, 2015 at 06:05 PM

YH

“ Yvonne Heltzel lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Yvonne Heltzel - December 28, 2015 at 06:04 PM

RW

“ Our Condolences To The Mills Family.....
Walter And Reva Woodard



reva woodard - December 28, 2015 at 04:11 PM

RL

“ Our prayers are with you all. Uncle Robert will always be remembered by me for his sense of humor and his friendly ways. Love Michelle Seaberry and Ramona Lumpkin



ramona lumpkin - December 28, 2015 at 03:05 PM

SS

“ Spring Valley Crossing Staff lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Spring Valley Crossing Staff - December 28, 2015 at 01:31 PM

MG

“ *MICKEY Gant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



MICKEY gant - December 28, 2015 at 01:22 PM

DB

“ *Dallas Boards lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Dallas Boards - December 28, 2015 at 11:20 AM

PS

“ *PERCY&CINDY SMITH lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



PERCY&CINDY SMITH - December 28, 2015 at 09:59 AM



“ *Karest Willis-Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Karest Willis-Brown - December 27, 2015 at 11:16 PM

RW

“ RJ And Anita Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



RJ and Anita wilkerson - December 27, 2015 at 08:08 PM

DB

“ Dallas Boards lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Dallas Boards - December 27, 2015 at 07:45 PM

PS

“ Percy And Cindy Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



percy and cindy smith - December 27, 2015 at 07:42 PM

HT

“ Hazel Tellis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills



Hazel Tellis - December 27, 2015 at 05:13 PM

TF

“ *The Hollin Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



The Hollin Family - December 27, 2015 at 02:47 PM

JE

“ *Jo Ann Embrey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Jo Ann Embrey - December 27, 2015 at 01:56 PM

BH

“ *Birletta Bean Hardeman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Birletta Bean Hardeman - December 27, 2015 at 12:16 PM

DB

“ *Dallas Blocker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Dallas Blocker - December 27, 2015 at 01:03 AM

SW

“ *Sonia Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Sonia Wilkerson - December 26, 2015 at 08:10 PM

AF

“ *ArleneBuchanan And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



ArleneBuchanan and Family - December 26, 2015 at 01:18 AM

AS

“ *Alma Snell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Alma Snell - December 25, 2015 at 10:05 PM

JH

“ *Julia Hoskin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Julia Hoskin - December 25, 2015 at 03:47 PM

CO

“ *Cordell&Brenda lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Cordell&Brenda - December 25, 2015 at 11:54 AM

PG

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Lee Mills*



Pauline Gardner - December 25, 2015 at 06:23 AM