



Elmer Lester Williams Sr.

May 19, 1951 - July 30, 2023

Elmer Lester Williams, Sr., 72, of Benton Harbor, died Sunday, July 30, 2023 at his home.

Celebration of life will be held at 11:00 AM on Monday, August 7, 2023, at the Progressive Baptist Church in Benton Harbor with Rev. James Childs officiating. The visitation will begin at 10 AM at the Progressive Church. Burial will be at Crystal Springs Cemetery. Arrangements are by the Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in Benton Township. Please share messages or memories at www.florin.net.

Elmer was born on May 19, 1951 in Poplar Bluff, MO to Rev. Jessie and Ressie Williams. Elmer had 4 brothers and 10 sisters. In 1978 he married Gaynell Williams. They had 2 children, Meosha "Jordan Alexander" and Elmer Williams II and Elmer had a son, Dolan Johnson. He was employed at Benton Harbor Engineering and at Modern Plastics for many years until his retirement in 2003. Elmer was loved and adored by many.

Elmer was a member of the Progressive Baptist Church in Benton Harbor and served on the usher board.

His family includes his wife of 45 years, Gaynell Williams; his 2 sons, Dolan Johnson of Seattle WA, and Elmer Williams II of LaPorte IN; his daughter,

Meosha “Jordan Alexander” Williams of Dallas, TX; his brothers, Lamont, Sam, Jessie and Fred; his sisters, Linda, Vera, Jackie, Ann, Claire, and Lenora; his granddaughters, Cori, Cami, Mya, Samantha, and Saya; and his grandson, Akanni.

Elmer was preceded in death by his father, Jessie Williams, his mother, Ressie Webb, his sisters, Donna, Nina, Joyce, and June; and his granddaughter, Cristal.

Cemetery Details

Crystal Springs Memorial Park

1865 E Napier Ave
Benton Harbor, MI, MI
staff@florin.net

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Progressive Missionary Baptist Church
245 Pipestone
Benton Harbor, MI

Celebration of life

AUG 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

AUG 7 (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Elmer Williams, RIP, my friend. GOD BLESS.*

Don - August 06, 2023 at 11:51 PM

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“ *With heartfelt sympathy to the Williams family during this difficult time. May memories of Elmer's love and works be embedded in your hearts forever. It was always a joyful times whenever Elmer and I would meet whether it was in the stores, at his home or in the service of the Lord. God bless the Williams family. We shall always remember the kind gentle spirit that Elmer had. God bless and keep his family. You have our love and prayers during this transitional time.*



Josephine Doss-Smith & Family - August 06, 2023 at 08:47 PM