



## Joshua Cooper

August 23, 1931 - February 26, 2013

Joshua Cooper, 81, formerly of Benton Harbor, passed away Tuesday, February 26, 2013, at Goshen, Indiana Hospital.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, March 8, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at the Greater Faith Apostolic Church, 1995 E. Britain, in Benton Harbor. The Elder Joe Cunningham will officiate. Friends may view from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service at the church. Burial will be in North Shore Memory Gardens in Hagar Shores with Military Rites. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service. Messages of condolence may be sent to [www.florin.net](http://www.florin.net).

Mr. Cooper was born August 23, 1931 in Caruthersville, Missouri to the union of Joshua and Viola Davis Cooper, both of whom preceded him in death. He was a member of Greater Faith Apostolic church and was a deacon. He was employed by Auto Specialties for 29 ½ years until it closed in 1980. He then worked for several security companies until the 90's, when he worked for Alreco Metals as a receiving clerk. He retired in 1996. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Christine Cooper in 1996; daughter, Latoria Skjoldal; son, Gregory Cooper; sister, Emma May Cobbs; and his grandson, Xavier Steward, Jr.

He leaves to mourn his wife, Peggy Cooper of Benton Harbor; sons, Stephen

Cooper of Houston, TX, Darrell (Lashonda) Cooper of Benton Harbor, and Kenny Cooper of Atlanta, GA; daughters, Jacquelyn Cooper of Benton Harbor, and Betty (Bennie) Smith of Benton Harbor; 19 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; sister, Charlie Smith of Benton Harbor; a host of nieces, nephews and friends; my grandson and special best friend, James (Kateisha) Bell, III; and also my special little grannies, Tyrese Miller, Aujanæ Miller and Jayda Miller.

# Cemetery Details

## North Shore Memory Gardens

5027 M 63 N  
Coloma, MI 49038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Greater Faith Apostolic Church  
1995 E. Britain  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

## Service

MAR 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *I'll never forget how excited you were when I talked to you on the phone and told you I was an Evangelist!!!! You were elated! We talked on the phone for a few hours! I Love you Grandpa Joshua! May you rest in peace! Love Santia' D. Wallace Greg's eldest child!*

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**Santia' Wallace-Grand daughter** - March 06, 2013 at 07:42 PM