



David Lee Taylor

April 22, 1932 - January 22, 2014

Our beloved father and grandfather went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at the age of 81 years. David Lee Taylor was born in Birmingham, AL on April 22, 1932 to Rev. Leon and Hessie Taylor, and birth mother, Beatrice “Bae” Jackson. David received Christ at an early age at Lily Hill Baptist Church where his father, Rev. Leon Taylor, was the Senior Pastor. David was educated in the Alabama school system. He went on to receive his Associate’s degree in business in Montgomery, AL.

David served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict where he received numerous awards. He continued his life in Alabama, having two beautiful daughters, Cynthia Abernathy and Deborah Reese. David moved to Waterbury, CT where he met and married Catherine Ricketts and they had four wonderful children: David, Mark, Donyell and Valorie Taylor. David then moved his family to Saginaw, MI where he was employed at General Motors Grey Iron Foundry and the Buena Vista school system where he was a bus driver. He retired from both.

He was a member of the Masonic Temple for years where he held numerous offices. David had many hobbies. He loved fishing, hunting, cleaning hats and spending time with his friends. David was a member of Zion Missionary Baptist Church, where he served on the Usher Board and in the Male Chorus and was lovingly known as “Mr. Glide”. He was a dedicated, dependable and

loving father who will truly be missed.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his children, Cynthia (Bernis) Abernathy, Birmingham, AL, David Kevin (Melissa) Taylor, Conyers, GA, Mark Anthony (Angela) Taylor, Clinton Township, MI, Donyell Taylor, Lithonia, GA, Valorie Y. (Tracy) Taylor-Mingo, Lithonia, GA former wife and friend, Catherine Taylor; grandchildren, Tommie (Tamara) Reese, Birmingham, AL, Felita Reese, Birmingham, AL, Bernis "Bo" Abernathy, Birmingham, AL, DeMarcus A.B. Gaddy, Norcross, GA, Mark A. Taylor II, Clinton Township, MI, David K. Taylor, Clinton Township, MI, Janay N. Smith, Riverdale, GA, Kenyonna I. Trammell, Riverdale, GA and Jarvis Mingo, Lithonia, GA; sisters, Dorothy (Bearnon) Hall, Saginaw, MI, Gladys Moon, Decatur, AL; and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends, including special friends, Anne Ford and Clarence Scott.

Funeral service will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 1, 2014 at Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 721 Johnson Street. Pastor Rodrick A. Smith will officiate with interment in Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, MI. Friends may call at the Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, on Friday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI

Previous Events

Service

FEB 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

Zion Missionary Baptist Church
721 Johnson Street
Saginaw, MI 48607

Tribute Wall



“ *Lenore Tabit sent a virtual gift in memory of David Lee Taylor*



Lenore Tabit - February 04, 2014 at 11:44 AM

TR

“ *My grandpa was the epitome of what a grandpa should be and what I'm going to strive to be as a grandparent. Gonna miss him greeting me with "Hey Big Boy" when I would call him on Sunday or Monday. He would always say in his message have a blessed day and may the good Lord take a liking to ya. Well I have had blessed days and the good lord must like me cause he gave me David Lee Taylor.*

Tommie Reese

Tommie reese - February 03, 2014 at 03:25 PM

FR

“ *Felita Reese my grandad was one of a kind! I remember when I use to call him he would always say I know I'm gonna have a good day now because you called me! I Love You granddaddy and I'm gonna miss you! I'm not gonna say goodbye! I'm gonna say see you later!*

Felita Reese - February 01, 2014 at 08:59 PM

VR

“ *Mr. Dave was very loved and will be missed by our family. I am so saddened to hear of his passing. He was the best neighbor and always had a funny story to tell me on our weekly meets at the fence. My prayers and condolences to the Taylor family. His presence have and will be missed by the Rueda family.*

Valerie Rueda - February 01, 2014 at 01:43 PM

TF

“ *The Nash Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of David Lee Taylor.*



The Nash Family - February 01, 2014 at 09:26 AM

LA

“ *Elizabeth Aikin*



liz aikin - February 01, 2014 at 08:16 AM

DD

“ *Darlene Johnson ..Ms. D lit a candle in memory of David Lee Taylor*



Darlene Johnson ..Ms. D - January 31, 2014 at 10:45 PM

DD

Rest in Peace Mr T. keep smiling!

Darlene Johnson...Ms D. - January 31, 2014 at 10:52 PM

BC

“ *TO THE FAMILY OF DAVID LEE TAYLOR AND ESPECIALLY TO DEACON MARK TAYLOR: THE MEMBERS OF TABERNACLE MINISTRIES (Detroit & Pontiac) OFFER OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IN THE LOSS OF YOUR FATHER. WE PRAY FOR YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY KNOWING THAT A FATHER, GRAND-FATHER, HUSBAND, UNCLE, ETC., HAS GONE ON TO BE WITH THE LORD.*

PLEASE KNOW THAT WE CARE DEEPLY FOR YOU AND HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT GOD WILL CARRY YOU THROUGH THIS HOUR. JUST CAST YOUR CARES UPON HIM.

*Michael T. Martin,
Senior Pastor & Founder
Tabernacle Ministries*

Brenda A. Causey-Mitchell - January 31, 2014 at 06:02 PM

GC

“ *Greg Carter lit a candle in memory of David Lee Taylor*



Greg Carter - January 31, 2014 at 08:07 AM

TH

“ *Tisa Haley lit a candle in memory of David Lee Taylor*



tisa haley - January 30, 2014 at 08:23 PM

LV

“ *We are very sorrowful and shocked to hear about the passing of our dear neighbor David Our prayers are with all of the family at this difficult time. We will miss talking with him, listening to his jokes, talking about his family and just sitting outside in his garage. We will miss you!! May God comfort you all now and through the seasons to come.*

Leroy and Valerie

Leroy and Valerie - January 30, 2014 at 04:52 PM

VI

“ *Mr Taylor, I will miss that awesome smile that so many times help brighten my day. I will miss his voice that was always so soothing. I am very honored to have known my friend Mr. Taylor.*

Victoria - January 30, 2014 at 09:09 AM

GC

“ Mr. Taylor I have heard so much about you my husband Larry always spoke so highly of you and I no he will miss you dearly. To your family "weeping endures for a night but joy cometh in the morning" and always remember that BIG smile on his face may God bless you all.
Gwen & Larry Conway



Gwen Conway - January 29, 2014 at 10:30 PM

MM

“ To the Taylor and Hall family, you are remembered during this difficult time. I was saddened to learn of the passing of your loved one, David Taylor. May God grant you peace and comfort.

Mary McDonald - January 28, 2014 at 05:00 PM

VT

“ Mr.David L Taylor my Father, Daddy my HERO!!!!. David L Taylor was the most Loving and Caring and Giving Father a Daughter could ever have. My father was more than my Father he was my BEST FRIEND!!!!. When GOD created DAVID L TAYLOR he created GREATNESS... There's not enough words to express what type of Father DAVID L TAYLOR was but I will just say ALL THAT and MORE with GREATNESS. I LOVE YOU DEARLY and MISS YOU MORE.. Rest Daddy Rest. Valorie Taylor-Mingo. DAVID L TAYLOR LOVED HIS KIDS and HIS KIDS LOVED HIM!!!!!!

Valorie Taylor-Mingo - January 27, 2014 at 08:23 PM

AJ

“ ANTHONY JOHNSON lit a candle in memory of David Lee Taylor



ANTHONY JOHNSON - January 27, 2014 at 04:12 PM

AJ

MR.D.TAYLOR YOU WILL BE MISSED, BUT YOU WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN.

ANTHONY JOHNSON - January 27, 2014 at 04:14 PM

DF

“ To the entire Taylor Family, I'm so sorry for your loss. We are praying that the Lord will bless and give you strength as you walk through this difficult time. We Loved Mr T



Darlene Johnson and Family - January 27, 2014 at 10:51 AM

JS

“ Jamie Sanders-Hicks lit a candle in memory of David Lee Taylor



Jamie Sanders-Hicks - January 27, 2014 at 09:54 AM