



Douglas Lee Matthews

April 10, 1936 - January 14, 2014

Mr. Douglas L. Matthews passed away Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at the age of 77 years. He was born April 10, 1936 in Grady, AL to the late Ollie and Ella Frances (Jones) Matthews. He graduated from Helicon High School in Alabama in 1955. He moved to Saginaw, MI in 1956 where he met and married Eyvonne Reeves.

While getting established in Michigan, he worked for Michigan Bean. In 1964, he began working for General Motors Saginaw Metal Casting, retiring in 1997. He was a member of UAW Local 668.

Mr. Matthews was a faithful member of Spiritual Israel Church and its Army Saginaw.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Eyvonne; children, Darrick and Karrie Matthews, Carrollton, MI, and Devona (Tony) Buckley, Headland, AL; grandchildren, Demetria Mickens, Atlanta, GA, Dominique (Tito) Delgado, Darrick P. (Kristine) Matthews, Marida Matthews, and Marleesia Matthews, all of Holland, MI; great-grandchildren, Traeon, Tyleiah, Jeffery, Tailen, Anya, Ryleigh and Silas; brother, Willie "Ned" (Antoinette) Matthews, Bridgeport, MI; sisters, Eula Merritt, Troy, NY and Delores Matthews, Atlanta, GA; sisters-in-law, Mary Sutton, Bridgeport, MI and Gloria Jones, Saginaw, MI; brothers-in-law, Willie Earl Reeves, Curtis (Joyce) Reeves, Connie (Maryln) Reeves,

Isaac (Rose Mary) Reeves, all of Saginaw, MI; and many other relatives and friends, including childhood friends, Fred Johnson and cousins, Bubba Stringer, James Earl Butler and Leo Mathis.

Mr. Matthews was preceded in death by one daughter, one son, two grandchildren at birth, sister, Emma Grace Collier; brothers, Ollie D. Benthard, Willie James and Larry; mother and father-in-law, Otis and Marjorie Reeves; sisters-in-law, Odessa Ingram and Olivia Gandy; and brother-in-law, Willie Otis Reeves.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at Spiritual Israel Church, 120 South 5th Street. Rev. Isaac Reeves will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, on Monday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue
Saginaw, MI

Previous Events

Service

JAN 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Spiritual Israel Church
120 North 5th Street
Saginaw, MI 48601

Tribute Wall

MA

“ May the God of tender mercies and the God of all comfort, comfort the family and friends of Mr. Matthew throughout all your trials today and tomorrow.- 2 Cor 1:3,4.- I am sorry for your loss.- www.jw.org

Margaret - January 28, 2014 at 06:06 AM

DB

“ The Matthews Family, would like to thank our friends and family for your words of encouragement and love during our time of bereavement. You touched us with your love, not just for us but for our Dad, Mr. Douglas Lee Matthews. We hope that when you think about us or him, we hope you SMILE!!!!!!!!!!!!

Devona Buckley(daughter) - January 22, 2014 at 05:50 PM

AG

“ ANTHONY GENWRIGHT purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Douglas Lee Matthews.



ANTHONY GENWRIGHT - January 21, 2014 at 05:53 AM

MR

“ *Matthew family,
Continue to stay strong and prayerful in the
Lord. Darrick and Lady, we're proud of the
way you two cared for your father. You will be
truly blessed for honoring him. Please
remember we are here for you and love you all dearly.*



Uncle Connie and family

Marlyn Reeves - January 20, 2014 at 06:01 PM

EM

“ *I had a dream ... Duck came to me this past Monday 7am . I asked
him what he was doing here? I told him "your supposed to be in the
hospital "he said "I check myself out" . Duck told me as he smiled
his beautiful smile "I'm here to see how your doing . Always in my
heart you loving sister "The fortuneteller"*

Eula Merritt - January 18, 2014 at 05:18 PM



Wow.

Joselyn Jordan - January 18, 2014 at 10:20 PM

WH

“ (Condolences: To The Matthews Family)

*I fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.
Now there is
in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the
righteous Judge, will
award to me on that day, but also to all who have longed for his
appearing.*

~2 Timothy 4:7-8(NKV)

*"To You Douglas, My long time "High School Friend" From 1950 to
Present"*

*Thank you for bringing happiness to my heart, beauty to my world,
and love
to my life. I'm going to miss you my dear friend." (RIP)*

- Mrs. Stella Harris, Grady, Alabama

Willie and Sylvia Heard - January 18, 2014 at 04:02 PM

WH

“ *Condolences: To The Matthews Family*

"The Master Builder"

God is the Master Builder. His plans are perfect and true, and when he sends you sorrow it's part of his plan for you...For all things works together to complete "The Master Plan." And God up in His Heaven can see what's best for man.

-The Heard Family, Atlanta, GA

Willie and Sylvia Heard - January 18, 2014 at 03:35 PM

RT

“ *To The Matthews Family, Ned and Ant, we were sorry hearing of the loss of your loved one, may god be with you all at this time, your cousins, The Tucker Family.*

Raymond & Brenda Tucker - January 17, 2014 at 07:00 PM



“ *Darrick and family: I extend my most heartfelt condolences. My family and I were very fond of your dad; he was a very nice man, and will be missed beyond measure. May JAH comfort and sustain you all as needed.*

Mr. Doug: R.I.P! You are one of my daddy's dearest friends. I'm sure he is overjoyed at being reunited with another of his many friends. I will remember and smile at the nickname daddy gave you. I delight in the thought of daddy greeting you with said nickname and welcoming you home. See you all when I get there. Ciao for now.

Joselyn Jordan - January 17, 2014 at 06:49 PM

DF

“ *Daveda Crisler And Family lit a candle in memory of Douglas Lee Matthews*



Daveda Crisler and family - January 16, 2014 at 02:25 PM

LI

“ *Dear Matthews Family and Friends,
I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. May it comfort you to know that The Most High God has resurrected humans before and He assures us He will do it again. (Acts24:15). God longs to bring back those who have fallen asleep in death to perfect health under paradisaic conditions right here on Earth. (Job14:14,15)*

Lisa - January 15, 2014 at 09:17 AM

YW

“ *My God give your family comfort*

yvonne weathers - January 14, 2014 at 07:02 PM