

## Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy

September 18, 1927 - February 14, 2023

Evelyn Louise Murphy was born September 18, 1927 in Ellison, Arkansas to Girtha (Reynolds) Green and Fred Murphy. She passed away at home surrounded by loved ones on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at the age of 95 years.

She became a resident of Saginaw, Michigan after leaving Kansas City, Kansas in 1944 with her son and daughter to make a better life for them. After working as a maid for a few prominent families of Saginaw, Evelyn was gainfully employed with Ascension St. Mary's Hospital where she retired from after 33 years.

Evelyn has been a faithful member of New Jerusalem Baptist Church since the 1960's. She was the Mother and eldest of the church and enjoyed singing in the choir. Besides her church duties, she enjoyed cooking, knitting, crocheting, cross-stitching and caring for her family. Keeping the family unit together was always important to her. She was the Matriarch of the family and the glue that kept them all together. She raised her two children as well as her grandchildren and some great-grandchildren. She was what you called home, because home is where the heart is.

Evelyn leaves behind to cherish many memories, one son, Ronald Williams Sr., Saginaw, MI; nine grandchildren, Rebecca McAdory, Largo, FL, Livinia

Collins, New Port Richey, FL, Rosanna (Lawrence) Knowles, Brandon, FL, Ronald Williams, Jr., Valerie Williams, Lavelle Maxey, Revon Williams, Marquest Henderson, Maurice Mushatt and Mary Collins, all of Saginaw, MI; (a number of great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren) and special friend, Myrtle Collier.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her mother Girtha Green, father, Fred Murphy, daughter, Verna Ellis, son-in-law John Ellis Jr., two grandsons, Marshall Morris and Ronald Stapleton, and granddaughter, Tina (Collins) Smith.

The family extends a special thanks to her granddaughter, Mary Collins, two great-granddaughters, C'erra Jackson and Aaliyah Layton and the A&D Home Care, Shelly Rezmer, RN, Shalena Layton, Neosha Layton and Megan Trice, Safe Hands, Warm Hearts and Hospice staff for being attentive and very instrumental in assisting with Ms. Murphy's care.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 27, 2023 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Ave., Saginaw, Michigan 48607. Visitation will take place from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service. Pastor John L. Williams, Sr. will officiate with entombment in Oakwood Memorial Mausoleum, 5950 Gratiot Rd., Saginaw, MI 48638.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Memorial Mausoleum

5950 Gratiot  
Saginaw, MI 48603

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 27. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 N. Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607  
(989) 754-0481  
evansbrownes@gmail.com  
<https://www.evansbrownesfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

FEB 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 North Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607

# Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy*



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**Browne's Mortuary** - February 27, 2023 at 10:50 AM

DG

“ *Delphine Greene lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy*



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**Delphine Greene** - February 27, 2023 at 12:46 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy.*



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February 24, 2023 at 05:10 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy.*



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February 24, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *JoAnn Thomas lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy*



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**JoAnn Thomas** - February 22, 2023 at 09:54 PM



“ *Doris Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy*



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**Doris Jones** - February 19, 2023 at 08:46 PM

LO

“ To Ron & Family of Mother Murphy,

*Know that my family & I share in your loss.  
During difficult & uncertain times the challenges we face may seem  
overwhelming & we view what we think is the end, but God has a  
much wider vision & God knows it's only a bend, the road will go on  
& get smoother, let go & let God share your load, & have Faith in a  
brighter tomorrow, you've just come to a bend in the road. The Bend  
in the road is not the End of the road.  
Prayers & Love,  
Liz Owen & Family*

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**Liz Owen** - February 19, 2023 at 02:55 PM

OO

“ My condolences to the family I am sorry for your loss. I have lots of  
nice memories of Donney. May you REST IN PEACE ❤️

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**Oona** - February 19, 2023 at 10:22 AM

MC

Thank you Oona💙🕊️ I miss you

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**Mary Collins** - February 22, 2023 at 01:04 AM

TF

“ Tanya Feltson lit a candle in memory of Ms.  
Evelyn Louise Murphy



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**Tanya Feltson** - February 19, 2023 at 02:19 AM

CG

“ Carol Garnett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy



Carol Garnett - February 18, 2023 at 09:15 PM

GB

“ Gloria Blackmon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy



Gloria Blackmon - February 17, 2023 at 10:25 PM

DB

“ DIANE BLACKMON sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy



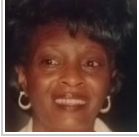
DIANE BLACKMON - February 17, 2023 at 08:33 PM

CG

“ Carol Garnett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy



Carol Garnett - February 17, 2023 at 03:50 PM



“ Elizabeth Hudspeth lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy



Elizabeth Hudspeth - February 16, 2023 at 09:29 PM



“ I extend my sincere condolences to Mary C and the entire family Lord please wrap your arms around them at this difficult time



Venita GainesTippins - February 16, 2023 at 07:41 PM



Thank you  so much

Mary Collins - February 22, 2023 at 01:01 AM



“ Mother Irene Thomas lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy



Mother irene thomas - February 16, 2023 at 05:30 PM

DB

“ Mother Murphy, I will forever cherish the memories, thinking of you cards that you sent me from time to time. Also I will treasure our Christian talks. "I HAD SOME GOOD DAYS" was your song, nobody could sing like mother. I know the heavenly choir is awaiting your entrance. Mother was strong, soft spoken, virtuous, full of grace praying Christian mother, she came up along side my mother (Lela Blackmon) when we all attended New Jerusalem. Mother Murphy instilled a legacy in that church that no other. Ron, and extended family Hold on to GOD'S unchanging hand, I know everything will be alright. We all gonna miss her but GOD said. WELL DONE thy good and faithful servant. Take your rest Mother!!!!



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**DIANE BLACKMON** - February 16, 2023 at 03:12 PM

DJ

When I think of Mother Murphy I remember her glorious silver hair and her amazing singing of praises to God.

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**Doris Jean Jones** - February 21, 2023 at 09:30 AM

MC

I miss your singing as well Diane. I miss the good 'ol days when we all had New Jerusalem rocking. We had some very good choirs and you and granny were two of the voices I loved to hear 🕊️🕊️💙👵

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**Mary Collins** - February 22, 2023 at 01:03 AM

TW

“ *Tomekia Willis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Louise Murphy*



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**Tomekia Willis** - February 15, 2023 at 04:42 PM