



## John John" Shivers

April 18, 2009

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 18, 2009 at New Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, 3610 Russell St. Pastor R. E. Donald, Host Pastor. Elder Jonathan Shivers will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the Browne's Mortuary, 441 N. Jefferson Ave. on Friday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. The family will be present from 6:00 until 7:00 p.m. for family hour. In loving memory of John Thomas Shivers, also known as "Big John". A beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He went home to be with the Lord on April 11, 2009 after a lengthy illness. John was born November 29, 1932 in Somerville, TN. He was the youngest of eight children born to Chris and Lucy Shivers. He was employed by Saginaw Malleable Iron Plant, GM and retired in 1980. He enjoyed bowling and also loved to walk. He leaves to cherish his memory, his beloved wife of 48 years, Martha Shivers; two sons, Harry (Barbara) Johnson, Saginaw, MI and Jonathan (Lynne) Shivers, Ypsilanti, MI; three daughters, Betty (John) Packard and Marie Johnson (fiance', Bennie Bailey), all of Saginaw, MI and Crystal (Malcolm) O'Bryan, Grand Rapids, MI; one sister, Rendia Crump; one brother, Horace Shivers, Humbolt, TN; five granddaughters, Shanelle Johnson, Shadana Smith, Quintoria Johnson, Maquana O'Bryan and Sicily Shivers; two grandsons, Jacob Shivers and Gabriel Smith; five great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and a host of relatives and friends, including three best friends, Wilbur Long, Bennie and Casey. Mr. Shivers was preceded in death by his parents, Lucy and Chris

Shivers; four brothers, Johnny, Herman, Booker T. and Charlie; one sister, Georgia Mae; best friends, Robert Jackson and Elijah McCray.

# Tribute Wall

LG

“ Dear Martha, Betty Ann, Marie, Jonathan, Chris and Harry you have my deepest sympathy for your lost. He will be missed by many people. John was so kind and so loving. Always a smile and a kind word for everyone he met. Whenever I saw him he always had a smile on his face. I wish I could have been there with you for the celebration of his life. I love you all.

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**Linda Goodwin-Eldridge** - April 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Mrs. Martha, Betty Ann, Marie, Jonathan, Chris and Harry and the rest of the family, you have my deepest sympathy. Mr. John was one of the best men I know. He was so kind and so loving and a complete family man. Always a smile and a kind word for everyone. I never saw Mr. John mad in all the 20+ years I knew him. I thank all of you for making me a part of your family and wish I could be with you for the celebration of Mr. John's life. Be strong and remember that God loved him more and take comfort that he will suffer no more pain but have joy in the morning. I love you all.

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**Betty Mitchell** - April 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ I know your grand dad would say how proud of you and your accomplishments. Keep your head up and continue to make him and everyone else proud. You will and the family will always be in my pray's.

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**Ternenia (Nina) O'Bryan** - April 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ Sorry about your lost. I'm very grateful, to have know a good man. I shared Mr. Shivers last moment with him and the family. We laugh, cried, talked, and shared many knowledgeable conversations with a man that had good a very good memory. The day I remember we had a conversation about how he needed to be around to walk his gran-daughter down the aile, and I was going to come and take walks with him up and down the drive way. I will never forget the conversations me and Mr. Shivers had. Love you miss you but you will never be forgotten. Hang in their family, when you start to miss your husband, father, and the best friend of each and every family person think about the funny things Mr. Shiver said and share that knowledge with someone else and he will always be around.

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**Ternenia(nina) O'Bryan** - April 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ To Our Family,  
God saw that John was getting tired and he wanted him home to do his work in heaven. We thank the Lord for allowing John to stay this long with us. I know you know that He will never leave you and He will continue to give all of you strength because He has not brought you this far to leave you now! We will continue to keep you all in our prayers.

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**Michelle Stewart** - April 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ **EVANG LYNNE SHIVERS AND FAMILY**

**WE ARE PRAYING FOR YOU.**

**PASTOR LOUIS AND ARMELIA SLAUGHTER**

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**louis and armelia slaughter** - April 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM