



## Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood

June 2, 1956 - November 7, 2025

My journey of life began on June 2, 1956 and ended November 7, 2025 at the age of 69 years. Let me tell you a little bit about my journey. I was born in a small city, Saginaw, Michigan to Doris Lee Haywood and L.D. Wills and my father figure William N. Haywood. They named me Johnnie Ray Haywood, that's where it all began.

I attended Saginaw Public Schools and later college. After High school I started my career at Romanow Building Services and Hemlock Semiconductor alongside Jeff Tinsley and Eric Isom. Throughout my adulthood I became a community mentor of Longstreet Elementary School under the leadership of Mr. Rousseau. I coached little league basketball teams, worked with the Civitan Center and was a mentor to many. Some things I enjoyed were fishing, working on cars and camping. If you knew me you know music was my thing and man, did I love cracking jokes.

To carry on my legacy, I leave my best friend, my confidante, my lovely wife of 19 years Laura "Gigi" Jean Haywood; three daughters, LaTonya (Elijah) Parsley, Venus McDole (Taurus) and Tanisha Vaughans; two sons, John Parham and Ken Harris; bonus kids, Shalita Vining and Jamarion Love; 25 grand kids and a host of great-grand kids. My only living brother, Claude (Genita) Wills; three sisters, Betty Wills Palmer, Virginia Arnett and Azzilee Wills; four sisters-in-law, Deborah Parsley, Beverly (Duane) Richardson,

Connie Gray and Renee McCall; a brother-in-law, Lance Parsley; nieces, cousins, nephews, godsons, special friends, my Greater Williams Temple Church family and extended families.

As I enter into the afterlife, waiting for me will be my mother, Doris Haywood; fathers, L.D. Wills and William Haywood; grandsons, Darius Gates and John Parham; brothers, Leroy, William, Jr., Larry Gray, John McCall and Charles Davis; four sisters, Brenda and Barbra Haywood, Cheryl Bond and Patricia Davis. A host of other relatives and friends.

And to those I leave here on earth, it's not goodbye, but see ya later! Johnnie

Family hour will take place at 12:00 p.m..on Saturday, November 22, 2025 at Greater Williams Temple C.O.G.I.C., 608 East Remington, Saginaw, Michigan 48601 with the funeral service commencing at 1:00 p.m. Supt. Arthur Aikin, Sr., Pastor and First Administrative Assistant, Andreas J. Parsley-Williams will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington Ave., Saginaw, Michigan 48601. Visitation will take place on Friday at the funeral home from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **21**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Family Hour

NOV **22**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Greater Williams Temple C.O.G.I.C.  
608 E. Remington Street  
Saginaw, MI

## Funeral Service

NOV **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Greater Williams Temple C.O.G.I.C.  
608 E. Remington Street  
Saginaw, MI



# Tribute Wall

BM

“ omg I remember johnnie from way back when he was a baby and his brothers and sisters,his father and my father was the best of friend,So sorry to hear of his passing



**Bobbie Gaines Matthews** - December 02, 2025 at 01:15 PM

WF

“ Wicker Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



**Wicker Family** - November 27, 2025 at 03:20 PM

RW

“ Condolences Family and Freinds.



**Rodney Walker** - November 26, 2025 at 02:05 PM

GC

“ Gilbert Cureau lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



**Gilbert Cureau** - November 24, 2025 at 01:20 PM

RM

“ NO MORE PAIN REST IN PEACE CUZZIN

REENA L MEREDITH - November 22, 2025 at 01:20 PM

LJ

“ Prayers to the family may God give you comfort.



Linda B Jackson - November 22, 2025 at 09:25 AM

LS

“ Linda Stidhum lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



Linda Stidhum - November 21, 2025 at 11:02 PM

EI

“ Eric Isom lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



Eric Isom - November 21, 2025 at 08:29 PM

CF

“ *Cassandra Wilson & the Wilson Family purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood.*



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**Cassandra Wilson & the Wilson Family** - November 21, 2025  
at 08:47 AM

CM

“ *Cheryl D Moore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



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**Cheryl D Moore** - November 20, 2025 at 09:07 PM

EA

“ *John and Tracey Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie Haywood.*



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**Elizabeth Anderson** - November 20, 2025 at 09:46 AM



“ *James Weston lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



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**James Weston** - November 20, 2025 at 04:39 AM

GB

“ Gwendolyn White Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



Gwendolyn White Bowman - November 19, 2025 at 10:02 PM

MP

“ Marie Porter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



Marie Porter - November 19, 2025 at 07:58 PM

MP

“ Sending my heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathy to the family. Rest In Heaven brother in law. Keeping you all in my prayers Chris Hall



Marie Porter - November 19, 2025 at 07:56 PM

CD

“ Charlotte Dixon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



Charlotte Dixon - November 19, 2025 at 04:27 PM

MJ

“ MR.&MRS. MARION W GRIFFITH JR. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



MR.&MRS. MARION W GRIFFITH JR. - November 19, 2025 at 09:22 AM

GH

“ Gloria Henderson-Eiland lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



Gloria Henderson-Eiland - November 18, 2025 at 07:56 PM

MW

“ Marie&Maurice Washington lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



Marie&Maurice Washington - November 17, 2025 at 07:18 PM

DF

“ Sending sincere deepest condolences to Mr. Johnnies' entire family  
🙏🙏

Denise Pierson and family - November 17, 2025 at 03:11 PM

ED

“ *Earnice Watkins Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



**Earnice Watkins Davis** - November 16, 2025 at 05:38 PM



“ *My condolences to the family of Johnnie Haywood may God bless you all and comfort you all*



**Ray Smith** - November 16, 2025 at 01:48 PM

SW

“ *Shirley Watkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



**Shirley Watkins** - November 15, 2025 at 09:43 AM

DP

“ *Dicy Powell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



**Dicy Powell** - November 14, 2025 at 02:51 PM

BM

“ You have my sincere prayers and condolences to you all. God will take care of you. Melvin and Bessie McKandes.



Bessie Ann McKandes - November 14, 2025 at 06:47 AM

KD

“ Karyn Dixon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



Karyn Dixon - November 13, 2025 at 06:38 PM

SB

“ My condolences to the family, you are loved and in our prayers.



Suette Brown - November 13, 2025 at 06:32 PM

RG

“ Condolences from the Gordon family



Renail Gordon - November 13, 2025 at 04:58 PM

LB

“ *Lawrence Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



Lawrence Brooks - November 13, 2025 at 03:46 PM

VS

“ *Vermell Sangster lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*

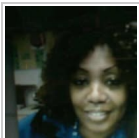


Vermell Sangster - November 13, 2025 at 10:34 AM

JF

“ *Sending our heart felt condolences, and love and prayers to the family. Gigi, Tonya, TaNisha and the boys...we are always a call or text away.  
We love y'all  
The Johnson's*

Johnnie and Keisha Johnson and Family - November 12, 2025 at 10:48 PM



“ *Joanie Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



Joanie Williams - November 12, 2025 at 08:21 PM

FE

“ *Condolences and prayers to the entire families Sorry for you all loss.*



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**Felecia** - November 12, 2025 at 05:32 PM

JO

“ *JoyReeves sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



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**JoyReeves** - November 12, 2025 at 02:42 PM

CD

“ *Cynthia Parham Daison lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



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**Cynthia Parham Daison** - November 12, 2025 at 01:52 PM

AB

“ *Antoinette Bland(Coleman) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood*



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**Antoinette Bland(Coleman)** - November 12, 2025 at 11:10 AM

EM

“ Ernestine Martin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



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**Ernestine Martin** - November 12, 2025 at 07:57 AM

LK

“ Condolences to the Wills and Haywood family. Praying 🙏 for the Family



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**Lesley Kaiser** - November 12, 2025 at 07:22 AM

BD

“ Betty Donald lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnnie "JR" Haywood



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**Betty Donald** - November 12, 2025 at 04:28 AM