



## Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman

March 3, 1960 - May 20, 2020

“See, I am sending an angel ahead of you to guard you along the way and to bring you to the place I have prepared.” Exodus 23:20

Judith Arlena Coleman 60, of Saginaw, Michigan passed away on May 20, 2020 after a challenging battle with colon cancer.

Judith was born on March 3, 1960 to Otis and Clara Perkins in Saginaw, Michigan. After finishing high school, she attended Delta College and Great Lakes College and worked as a CNA for many years.

As a youth Judith was high energy and loved to sing. She started singing at age 11 and at age 13, joined the group “In Fear of Life” with her sister Kimberly and friends Cassandra Williams and Bumpy Johnson. After winning a local talent show the group received two recording contracts with CBA and Capital Records in 1974. After leaving the label in 1976 they went on to become a trio named “Empress” and did a number of background vocals with various artists including, Albert Jones, Genie Reynolds, and Minnie Riperton.

Judith performed on two television shows in the late 70’s, the Scene and The Ebony Affair. Soon after she left the music scene. Judith’s first love was fellow singer Clifford “Beau” Dunn. The two had their first and only child together, Luvenia at a young age. However, they remained very close friends till the end and were supportive of each other’s families. She

went on to have Christopher and Melanie Coleman (Malvin Coleman Married 1981-1991); Michael Tyson (Eric Tyson); Nicholas and Josh Perkins (Dwayne Williams).

She was predeceased by her parents Otis and Clara Perkins and brothers Otis Jr. and Anthony Perkins. She is survived by her children Luvenia Perkins, Christopher Coleman, Melanie Coleman, Michael Tyson, Nicholas Perkins and Joshua Perkins, sisters Tanya Williams, Kimberly Woods, Belinda Wilson, and brother Houston Perkins.

She leaves behind seven grandchildren; Christopher Jr., Christian, Camarien, Trenton, Chri'Zyah, Layla, and Nylah. She also leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, close friends.

Judith was a beautiful loving person who could make you smile and laugh. She always brought joy to those who loved her. She was a dedicated sister and friend to all of her brothers and sisters. Anyone who knew her, knows she loved and was proud of all her beautiful children.

The family requests that all flowers and notes are sent to Evans & Browne's; Browne Funeral Home at 441 N Jefferson Ave, Saginaw, MI 48607.

We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. 2 Corinthians 5:8

Friends may call at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Ave., Saginaw, MI 48607 on Tuesday from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. A private service will be held with interment will take place in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48601.

\*\*\*\*\*At Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, we value the safety and health of our customers, staff and the general public. Therefore, we will adhere to EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 2020-42 issued by our Governor Gretchen Whitmer, regarding assemblages in the wake of the unprecedented health challenge our state and nation is facing. The Executive Order is as follows: Acting under the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, I order the following: 1. Beginning on April 10, 2020 at 4:00 pm, and continuing through May 1, 2020 at 5:00 pm, all assemblages of more than 10 people in a single indoor shared space and all events of more than 10 people are prohibited in this state. A single indoor shared space includes but is not limited to a room, hall, cafeteria, auditorium, theater, or gallery. The prohibition on assemblages set forth in this section does not apply to: The prohibition set forth in this section does not abridge protections guaranteed by the state or federal constitution under these emergency circumstances. We do understand that this may pose a challenge to you and your family, but our dedicated staff is here to help guide you towards making the best decisions in memorializing your loved one.\*

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 2. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Browne's Mortuary - June 03, 2020 at 05:08 PM

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The music is beautiful 😊. Judy loved music; Cindy remember when our parents let us sing at Mr. B's. My friend will truly be missed, such a sweet spirit, God rest her soul. 🙏❤️😭.

Deborah Hollis (coon) - June 04, 2020 at 11:10 PM



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Browne's Mortuary - June 03, 2020 at 10:44 AM

DH

“ Debra Hatfield-Lane lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Debra Hatfield-Lane - June 07, 2020 at 01:11 AM

WF

“ Wanda Faye Reynolds & The Reynolds Famil lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Wanda Faye Reynolds & The Reynolds Famil - June 05, 2020 at 01:28 PM

CW

“ Be blessed...



Carleton Walker - June 03, 2020 at 12:03 PM

DA

“ Dwight/Shalanda Akins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Dwight/Shalanda Akins - June 03, 2020 at 07:14 AM

LO

“ *Leah O'Daniels sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



Leah O'Daniels - June 02, 2020 at 11:41 PM

HT

“ *Howard Turner lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



Howard Turner - June 02, 2020 at 01:04 PM

MT

“ *Mary Hannibal, Fort Worth Texas sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



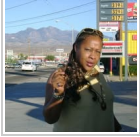
Mary Hannibal, Fort Worth Texas - June 02, 2020 at 04:16 AM

PH

“ *Patricia Hill lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



Patricia Hill - June 01, 2020 at 10:58 PM



“ Rhonda Ervin lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



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**Rhonda Ervin** - June 01, 2020 at 08:39 PM

JA

“ Janel Arnett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



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**Janel Arnett** - May 31, 2020 at 08:34 AM

RB

“ Rosette Blakes sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



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**Rosette Blakes** - May 31, 2020 at 07:46 AM

BM

“ Another Buena Vista Knight gone too soon. May God continue to comfort the family in this season of grief. Class of "73".

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**Brenda Moore-Gibbs** - May 30, 2020 at 12:04 PM

MB

“ *Michelle Blair lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



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**Michelle Blair** - May 30, 2020 at 11:16 AM

MJ

“ *Marcella Fletcher-Crudup Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



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**Marcella Fletcher-Crudup Jones** - May 30, 2020 at 08:04 AM

CP

“ *Cynthia Polk lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



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**Cynthia Polk** - May 30, 2020 at 04:46 AM

DJ

“ *Sending condolences to the Perkins family from the Hatfield family.*

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**Devanise Hatfield Jackson** - May 30, 2020 at 04:24 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman.*



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May 29, 2020 at 08:44 PM



“ *Sharon Nash sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



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**Sharon Nash** - May 29, 2020 at 05:55 PM



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**Sharon Nash** - May 29, 2020 at 05:54 PM



“ *Sharon Nash lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



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**Sharon Nash** - May 29, 2020 at 05:54 PM

PW

“ Patricia "Patty" Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Patricia "Patty" Williams - May 29, 2020 at 02:36 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman.



May 28, 2020 at 09:50 AM

CC

“ Cheryl Cooper lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Cheryl Cooper - May 25, 2020 at 07:52 PM

SW

“ Judy, May you Rest In Peace my Freind. Praying for your family through this time. I'm glad to have spent time with you when we were young.



Sheila Williams-Bankston - May 25, 2020 at 10:17 AM

HV

“ Houston "Pat" Perkins, Crystal & Virginia purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman.



Houston "Pat" Perkins, Crystal & Virginia - May 24, 2020 at 07:08 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman.



May 24, 2020 at 03:16 PM

KM

“ My condolences to the entire family. May God continue to bless and keep you. Judy and I were classmates and she was always so sweet and nice to everyone. RIH



Karen Martin-Brodnex - May 24, 2020 at 12:05 AM

JS

“ Jacqueline Sanders lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Jacqueline Sanders - May 23, 2020 at 08:25 PM

NW

“ So sorry 4 ur lost my nephew's ( Nick and Josh ) and the rest of the Coleman and Perkins family.Ur mom work hard 2 get all her children a good chance of life.Hats off 2 u. GOD is saying job well done.RIP Judy.No more suffering.

NANCY WILLIAMS - May 23, 2020 at 02:56 PM

DW

“ My Sincere Condolences To Our Perkin's, Coleman's and Williams Family. I had the pleasure of talking to Judy and I am so happy that she helped me understand a lot. I Truly Love You Family ❤️❤️.



Doretta Joyce Williams - May 22, 2020 at 10:47 PM

TF

“ To the Family: Our Heartfelt condolences go out to you. Judy had a quiet spirit and loving personality. She loved her children & family.

She will be sorely missed by all who loved her. Truly gone to soon.. Neighbor, Nora Hollis & Family .

The Hollis Family - May 22, 2020 at 09:35 AM

GB

“ Gwen White Bowman sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman



Gwen White Bowman - May 21, 2020 at 04:24 PM

RW

“ *Rita Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Judith "Judy" Arlena Coleman*



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**Rita Williams** - May 21, 2020 at 07:44 AM