



## Mr. Julius Boarden

June 13, 1942 - January 7, 2025

Mr. Julius McArthur Boarden graced heaven with his smile on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at the age of 82 years. He was born June 13, 1942 in Wesson, Mississippi to the late Rev. Loxey and Janie L. Boarden.

As a youth, he accepted Christ as his savior into his membership of St. Paul A.M.E. Church. In 1966, he enlisted in the U.S. Armed Forces Specialist 5th Class and being Honorably Discharged in 1969.

He was united in holy matrimony to Rosetta Boarden, December 23, 1972 and enjoyed over 52 years of loving memories. In 1973, they later joined Bethel A.M.E. Church under the late Pastor Harold C. Huggins where he served faithfully in many capacities. They became the proud parents of two children: Julius M. Boarden Jr. and Ashanta T. Boarden.

He received his early education at St. John and Friendship School and graduating from Eva Harris High School in Brookhaven, Mississippi. Determined and hard-working, Julius received his B.S. Degree from Jackson State University and his MS Administration Degree from Central Michigan University.

Julius was a family man who exemplified great moral strength, character and personal integrity every day of his life. A humble man with a great sense of

humor came from spending time with his family and friends. He inspired all he touched to not be afraid to encounter risks; it's by taking chances that we learn how to be brave and strong in any situation.

In recognition of his extensive commitments to his community involvements were Bethel A.M.E. Church Usher Board #2, Doorkeeper, Retired Educator, U.S. Armed Forces Veteran (Specialist 5th Class), Circle of Love, Buena Vista School Board for 28 years, Buena Vista "DAD" Organization, Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB), National Alliance of Black School Educators, Buena Vista Township Code Enforcement Officer, Self-Owner/Contractor of J & B Builders, American Legion Post 213, V.F.W. Life Member Post 9931, United Way, National Association of the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and a proud lifetime member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. (Iota Chi Lambda Chapter) Saginaw, Michigan. Special honors and awards from Warrior International Outreach Ministries, Michigan National School Board Association, Buena Vista School District Board Awards, Alpha Phi Alpha Service Award (Iota Chi Lambda 2017) leaving a Godly legacy.

Julius favorite pastimes included traveling, JSU sports fan, contracting projects, fishing, working on vehicles, landscaper, swimming, shooting pool, golfing, music lover and a great cook of spaghetti, fried catfish to top it all with blackberry cobbler and coconut pie with Blue Bell vanilla ice cream. He enjoyed special and quiet time reading the bible. His favorite scriptures were "All things good cometh from the Lord and Don't let nothing separate you from the Lord". Last, but not least, his favorite songs were by Mahalia Jackson-"Old Ship of Zion", Al Green-"Love and Happiness" & "Let's Get Married Today", and the O'Jays-"You are my Sunshine". Julius most favorite poem is "If" by Rudyard Kipling and "House of Alpha"-by Bro. Sidney P. Brown.

Julius enjoyed family and friends with his humorous jokes. He presented himself with an open heart. If you met him, you'd remembered him. If you

knew him, you will miss him.

He leaves to cherish his memory a loving and devoted wife, Rosetta Boarden of Saginaw, MI; his children, Julius M. Boarden, Jr. of Nashville, TN and Ashanta T. Boarden of Glen Allen, VA; sister, Loretta Bingham of Flint, MI; three sisters-in-law, Roseana Boarden, Ruth Huddleston, both of Jackson, MS and Virginia A. Moore of Burtonsville, MD; two brothers-in-law, Richard Moore of Jackson, MS and Rudolph (Sarah) Moore of Montgomery, AL; nephews, Charles Boarden Jr. of Atlanta, GA, Darrell (Shanda) Boarden of Ridgeland, MS and Dwayne Huddleston, of Jackson, MS. Most memorable and special people, Tony Christmas of Byram, MS, George (Marilyn) Adams of Saginaw, MI and James (Melissa) Howard of Traverse City, MI; Hazel Milam of Saginaw, MI, and many special brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, special nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Julius was proceeded in death by his parents, Rev. Loxey and Janie L. Boarden; brother, Charles Boarden; sister, Mattie L. Washington and many other relative and friends.

Family hour will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, January 17, 2025 at Bethel A.M.E. Church, 535 Cathay St., Saginaw, MI 48601 with the funeral commencing at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Dr. Dennis Laffoon will officiate with interment in Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4220 Belford Rd., Holly, MI 48442. Visitation will take place on Thursday at the funeral home 441 N. Jefferson Ave., Saginaw, MI 48607 from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 16. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Family Hour

JAN 17. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Church  
535 Cathay Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

## Funeral Service

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JAN 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Church  
535 Cathay Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

# Tribute Wall

JL

“ *In memoriam of Mr. Boarden-Wanted to share my condolences. Spoke to him in the past year and had plans to meet him. He was my mother's uncle. Thoughts and prayers.* ”

Jamila Leary - February 16, 2025 at 08:31 PM

TC

“ *Tracie Conic lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden* ”



Tracie Conic - February 10, 2025 at 01:27 PM

LW

“ *Laticia Whitehead lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden* ”



Laticia Whitehead - February 09, 2025 at 10:36 PM

SR

“ *Susan Smith Ross lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden* ”



Susan Smith Ross - January 28, 2025 at 06:28 PM

JW

“ Jimmie & Beverly Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Jimmie & Beverly Westbrook - January 27, 2025 at 02:50 PM

KI

“ Kelvin I. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Julius Boarden.

Kelvin I. - January 23, 2025 at 02:41 PM

DM

“ Doloris Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Doloris Mixon - January 23, 2025 at 08:14 AM

CP

“ Charlotte Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Charlotte Perkins - January 22, 2025 at 03:21 PM

MR

“ *Morgann Robinson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**morgann robinson** - January 22, 2025 at 02:44 PM

BH

“ *Bridget Y. Hinds*



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**Bridget Hinds** - January 22, 2025 at 11:39 AM

DS

“ *Dr. Willie Earl & Carrie Thomas, Sr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Dr. Willie Earl & Carrie Thomas, Sr.** - January 20, 2025 at 11:19 PM

SH

“ *Sam&Kim Harrold lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Sam&Kim Harrold** - January 20, 2025 at 10:44 PM

SH

“ Sam& Kim Harrold lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Sam& Kim Harrold - January 20, 2025 at 10:43 PM

LS

“ Lillie B. Strong & family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Lillie B . Strong - January 17, 2025 at 03:04 PM

CH

“ Cheryl Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Cherryl Henderson - January 17, 2025 at 11:16 AM

CT

“ Crystal, AJ, Sean, Demi and Tahj purchased the Peaceful Rest for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.



Crystal, AJ, Sean, Demi and Tahj - January 17, 2025 at 09:51 AM

CT

“ *Crystal, AJ, Sean, Demi and Tahj planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Julius Boarden.*

Crystal, AJ, Sean, Demi and Tahj - January 17, 2025 at 09:51 AM

HJ

“ *Houston And Elaine Jackson Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



Houston and Elaine Jackson Jr - January 17, 2025 at 09:36 AM



“ *Carol Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



Carol Walker - January 16, 2025 at 10:42 PM

OC

“ *Betty Chaney & Family*



Ona Chaney - January 16, 2025 at 04:02 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.*



January 16, 2025 at 03:26 PM



“ *Dr. Monica Buckner purchased the Peaceful Wishes for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.*



**Dr. Monica Buckner** - January 16, 2025 at 01:29 PM



“ *Tomas Lisa Olivarez purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.*



**Tomas Lisa Olivarez** - January 16, 2025 at 01:28 PM



“ *Terry Richard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



**Terry Richard** - January 16, 2025 at 12:29 PM

MM

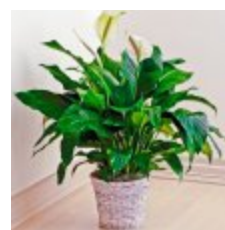
“ To my dear Sorors Rosetta, Ashanta, and Family, my deepest condolences on the passing of your beloved husband and father. Be encouraged by knowing that God's Word is true. Absence from the body is presence with the Lord. My prayers are with you.



Mary McDonald - January 16, 2025 at 12:09 PM



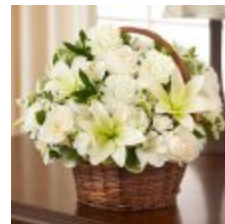
“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.



January 15, 2025 at 10:27 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.



January 15, 2025 at 07:10 PM

B3

“ Brown & Vernon American Legion Post 312 lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Brown & Vernon American Legion Post 312 - January 15, 2025 at 06:11 PM

PS

“ To the Family of Julius Boarden our deepest sympathy for your loss.

*The Steward Family*



Patricia Steward - January 15, 2025 at 06:04 PM

MB

“ Melvin Benbow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Melvin Benbow - January 15, 2025 at 03:28 PM

MB

My sincere condolences to the family and BV NATION 🥺 you will truly be missed SIR 🙏💙

Melvin Benbow - January 15, 2025 at 03:29 PM

AV

“ Alfred N Vinson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Alfred N Vinson - January 15, 2025 at 12:23 PM

BH

“ *Condolences & a sincere sympathy to The Entire Boarden Family. Barbara Hill & Family*



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**Barbara Hill** - January 15, 2025 at 10:56 AM

ML

“ *Ashanta,*

*My heart goes out to you and family. I pray that God gives you strength, understanding, and continue to Bless you and your family during your time in need.*

*Love,  
The Lowery Family*



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**Marla Lowery** - January 15, 2025 at 07:50 AM

JP

“ *Janice Powell-Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Janice Powell-Coleman** - January 15, 2025 at 04:54 AM



“ *You have our deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one.* ”



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**George Adams** - January 14, 2025 at 09:08 PM



*George & Marilyn Adams (06-08)*

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**George Adams** - January 14, 2025 at 09:12 PM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.* ”



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January 14, 2025 at 06:06 PM



“ *My condolences and prayers to the family.* ”



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**Cheryl Cooper** - January 14, 2025 at 01:02 PM

TF

“ *The Williams and Willis Family purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.*



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**The Williams and Willis Family** - January 14, 2025 at 09:55 AM

CH

“ *Chandra Howell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*

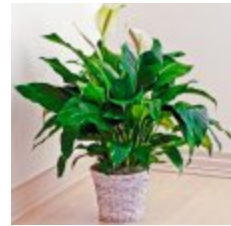


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**Chandra Howell** - January 13, 2025 at 07:09 PM

HW

“ *Helen & Norman, Washington,DC purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.*



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**Helen & Norman, Washington,DC** - January 13, 2025 at 06:20 PM

HW

“ *Helen & Norman, Washington,DC planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Julius Boarden.*

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**Helen & Norman, Washington,DC** - January 13, 2025 at 06:20 PM

AM

“ *AUDREY McKandes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**AUDREY McKandes** - January 13, 2025 at 05:12 PM

TH

“ *Nice person*



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**Tina Marie Houze** - January 13, 2025 at 04:25 PM

EH

“ *Elbert And Carolyn Hunter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Elbert and Carolyn Hunter** - January 13, 2025 at 03:32 PM

TC

“ *Tracy L. Cormier lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Tracy L. Cormier** - January 13, 2025 at 01:12 PM

RB

“ *Rosena Boarden purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Julius Boarden.*



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**Rosena Boarden** - January 13, 2025 at 12:32 PM

CW

“ *Calvin And Delores Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Calvin and Delores Williams** - January 12, 2025 at 04:31 PM

WF

“ *Wanda Faye Reynolds And The Reynolds Fam lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Wanda Faye Reynolds and the Reynolds Fam** - January 12, 2025 at 02:16 PM

JR

“ *Jerrold Rance sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Jerrold Rance** - January 12, 2025 at 02:02 PM

DH

“ To the family of Mr. Julius Boarden, may your sweet memories comfort you in your time of sorrow. Please know that you have my condolences and deepest sympathies.

*DeMona Hall  
Saginaw, MI*



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**DeMona Hall** - January 12, 2025 at 01:02 PM

CH

“ Clifford Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



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**Clifford Harris** - January 12, 2025 at 12:55 PM

DA

“ Dwight/Shalanda Akins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



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**Dwight/Shalanda Akins** - January 12, 2025 at 09:51 AM

AF

“ Annie Ruth Speight Fuller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



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**Annie Ruth Speight Fuller** - January 12, 2025 at 08:30 AM

DH

“ *Delta Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Delta Hawkins** - January 11, 2025 at 08:43 PM

BP

“ *Barbara Payton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Barbara Payton** - January 11, 2025 at 07:53 PM

HM

“ *Helen Mobley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Helen Mobley** - January 11, 2025 at 05:09 PM

PL

“ *To the family of Julius Boarden, you have my deepest sympathy in the passing of your loved one. May God grant you peace and comfort in the days ahead.*



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**Pauline Lawrence** - January 11, 2025 at 04:52 PM

RW

“ One of OUR BV teacher who I truly respected and great character rip Condolences to the Family.



Rodney and Barbara Walker - January 11, 2025 at 04:31 PM

MG

“ Mr . Julius Boarden was great friend and neighbor for 50 years he will be missed. Mrs Boarden,Ashanta, Julius jr have our condolences.  
Mr& Mrs Matthew Green



Mr& Mrs Matthew Green - January 11, 2025 at 04:13 PM

KJ

“ KimberlyFay Jackson-Woodley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



KimberlyFay Jackson-Woodley - January 11, 2025 at 01:38 PM

BC

“ Bobbie Crosby-Locke lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Bobbie Crosby-Locke - January 11, 2025 at 12:35 PM

MJ

“ *Ms. Ann & Matthew Ford Jr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Ms. Ann & Matthew Ford jr.** - January 11, 2025 at 11:15 AM

BB

“ *Belinda Barlow-Poole lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Belinda Barlow-Poole** - January 11, 2025 at 09:43 AM

GB

“ *Gwen White Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Gwen White Bowman** - January 11, 2025 at 07:55 AM

RB

“ *Sending my sincere condolences to the family.*  
*Rosette Blakes*  
*C/O 1977 Buena Vista High*



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**Rosette Marie Blakes** - January 11, 2025 at 07:36 AM

DP

“ Dorothy Price-Omar lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Dorothy Price-Omar - January 11, 2025 at 02:20 AM

PV

“ Patricia Vaughn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Patricia Vaughn - January 11, 2025 at 01:49 AM

CJ

“ Carrie Jackson-Zackrie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Carrie Jackson-Zackrie - January 10, 2025 at 08:45 PM

TH

“ Tee-Ar Hines lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Tee-Ar Hines - January 10, 2025 at 07:33 PM

CP

“ Cynthia Polk lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Cynthia Polk - January 10, 2025 at 07:22 PM

LS

“ Lillie B. Strong & family Lit a candle 🕯️ in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden 🙏🙏



Lillie B . Strong - January 10, 2025 at 06:42 PM

AH

“ Ann Hudspeth-Arceneaux lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Ann Hudspeth-Arceneaux - January 10, 2025 at 06:06 PM

VJ

“ Valerie J lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Valerie J - January 10, 2025 at 06:01 PM

PM

“ *Pamela Brown Maloy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Pamela Brown Maloy** - January 10, 2025 at 05:54 PM

BH

“ *Condolences and deep sympathy to the entire family.*

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**Barbara Hill** - January 10, 2025 at 05:35 PM

BH

“ *Barbara Hill lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Barbara Hill** - January 10, 2025 at 05:33 PM

TJ

“ *May he rest in the arms of Jesus*



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**Twinkle Jackson** - January 10, 2025 at 03:40 PM

BJ

“ *Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Brenda Jones** - January 10, 2025 at 03:40 PM

SM

“ *Sam And Deborah Mack lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Sam and Deborah Mack** - January 10, 2025 at 03:25 PM

DH

“ *Deidre Hunter sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Deidre Hunter** - January 10, 2025 at 03:01 PM

JC

“ *Judge Terry L. Clark lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Judge Terry L. Clark** - January 10, 2025 at 02:58 PM

DG

“ *Donald Graves lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**donald graves** - January 10, 2025 at 12:40 PM

CB

“ *Cynthia Bruce-Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Cynthia Bruce-Taylor** - January 10, 2025 at 11:41 AM

JP

“ *My sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family. May you find comfort in the love and mercy of Christ Jesus.*



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**Janet F Phillips** - January 10, 2025 at 10:09 AM

AF

“ *Athen And Margery Flournoy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden*



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**Athen and Margery Flournoy** - January 10, 2025 at 09:27 AM

AP

“ My deepest sympathy and prayers are extended to the entire family. Although you are facing a very difficult time GOD is with you. Remember “Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.” It is a journey.

Alberta Pruitt - January 10, 2025 at 04:03 AM

AP

“ My deepest sympathy and prayers are extended to the entire family. Although you are facing a very difficult time GOD is with you. Remember “Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.” is a journey.



Alberta Pruitt - January 10, 2025 at 04:01 AM



“ Yvette Wofford lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Yvette Wofford - January 09, 2025 at 11:34 PM

DM

“ Derrell Martin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



Derrell Martin - January 09, 2025 at 10:23 PM

JL

“ Joe Lowery lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



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Joe Lowery - January 09, 2025 at 08:15 PM

KF

“ Kirk Floyd lit a candle in memory of Mr. Julius Boarden



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Kirk Floyd - January 09, 2025 at 07:24 PM