



Ms. Laura Ann Taylor

June 16, 1950 - May 7, 2023

Ms. Laura Ann Taylor was born on June 16, 1950 the daughter of Theodore and Ora Lee Taylor in Saginaw, Michigan. She passed away on Sunday, May 7, 2023 at the age of 72 years.

Laura Ann passed after a recent leg amputation. She was a lifelong resident of Saginaw, and a longtime member of Bethel A.M.E. Church, joining when Rev. P. David Saunders was Pastor. During her younger years she was a member of St. Luke C.M.E. Church under the leadership of Pastor O.L. Barr. She enjoyed playing the piano. Growing up she enjoyed playing volleyball and participating in track and field events at the high. She had incredible strength and could jump over fences. She shared her talent as a musician at Grace Chapel Church where Rev. James Nelson serves as Pastor. Laura was a loving, kind person, a servant at heart and she was an excellent cook. She put her heart and soul in everything she cooked. She was fancy, a trait that she carried from her mother. She loved to cater to your soul.

She loved cooking pancakes from scratch, paring bread with dip, jello with fruit, salmon patties, biscuits with Alaga syrup and tacos. She fixed pies and cakes, and the list just goes on and on. Her routines were to live for, coffee and the news. Young and the restless, then the View. Laura read the Daily Bread, then 3 chapters of scripture. She was very proud of her family.

Laura was a graduate of Saginaw High School "Class of 1968 Trojans". She married Charles T. Porter fresh out of high school, during this time she was employed at Dow Chemical and attending Delta College. Soon after she began a long time career at Saginaw Steering Gear, GM (Delphi) then EDS Division for a combined 25 years. She made lifelong friends while working plus she was on a Friday night bowling league. Ann and girlfriends would eat at local establishments throughout the city while living her best life. After GM outsourced her career, she reemerged with greater strength working for the Saginaw Board of Education (at multiple locations), Ace alarms, Rib Shack with her sister, Delorise and her niece, Samone. During that time she also did private work with Hazel Milam. Over the years she traveled extensively on cruises and shopping trips and family reunions with family and friends. She was a great thinker, a private woman and a community activist. She was Saginaw!

She loved that phone, staying connected with her family and friends and being a participant of the progress and uplift of anyone that was down. She had a sharing and caring heart. Laura Ann loved fellowshiping at Grace Chapel, Bethel, First Ward Community Center, and spending quality time with Elijah. Laura Ann was spoiled by her family.

Ms. Laura Ann Taylor leaves to cherish many memories, daughter, Detra Charmayne (Porter) Joseph; sister, Delorise Taylor; brother, Harry Taylor; hosts of nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews; preceding her in death; grandson, Franklin Alexander Joseph; brother, Theodore Taylor, Jr.; mother, Ora Lee (Williams/Bond/Evans) Taylor, father; Theodore Taylor, Sr.; grandparents, Robert and Laura Taylor and Elijah Coates.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 AM on Friday, May 19, 2023 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, MI 48607. Visitation will take place from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service. Rev. James

Nelson will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington , Saginaw, MI 48601.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 19. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

MAY 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Browne's Mortuary - May 19, 2023 at 10:43 AM

LW

Amateur genealogist. Ora Lee Taylor is my husband's aunt, sister of Jennie Mae Johnson. My condolences.

Lawanda W. - May 13, 2025 at 11:17 AM

LP

“ *Linda .T. Prince lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Linda .T. Prince - October 16, 2023 at 10:08 AM

CJ

“ *Carla Porter Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Carla Porter Jones - July 12, 2023 at 08:15 PM

NA

“ *Natalie Abernathy lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Natalie Abernathy - June 05, 2023 at 07:08 PM

DM

“ *Doloris Mixon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Doloris Mixon - June 04, 2023 at 02:45 AM

LP

Rest In Heaven

Linda .T. Prince - October 16, 2023 at 10:10 AM

KB

“ *Karen Browne-Betts lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Karen Browne-Betts - May 21, 2023 at 02:57 PM

BG

“ RIP LAURA ANN



Beverly Gibbs - May 21, 2023 at 12:04 AM

TK

“ To Elijah Coates and the Family of Laura Taylor, please accept our most sincere condolences for your loss. We pray that God gives you all the strength to endure this time of grief.

Pamela-Louise and Noland King

The Kings - May 19, 2023 at 06:53 PM

LS

“ Lillie B. Strong & family sent a virtual gift to Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Lillie. B. Strong - May 18, 2023 at 10:22 PM

BB

Wat a beautiful homecoming service may u rest wel

Bonnie Barnes - May 19, 2023 at 12:26 PM

CJ

“ *Classmate, Humble, Loving, Spiritual Friend
To God Be The Glory Rest In Peace. Prayers
to Detra, Family and Friends.*



C. Jarrett-Mason - May 18, 2023 at 02:44 PM

BD

“ *Brittney Donald lit a candle in memory of Ms.
Laura Ann Taylor*



Brittney Donald - May 18, 2023 at 12:18 PM

JC

“ *Our deepest condolences Harry & Lois and
family during this most difficult time. Laura
was our dearest friend, neighbor and
associate. Over the years, we have shared
some great family times together. She surely
will be greatly missed. Your family will be in our thoughts and
prayers.*



Jerome and Angel Coakley - May 18, 2023 at 10:37 AM

BF

“ *Bates Family lit a candle in memory of Ms.
Laura Ann Taylor*



Bates Family - May 17, 2023 at 10:17 PM

CH

“ *CYnthia Hood lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



CYnthia Hood - May 17, 2023 at 09:39 PM

BC

“*Laura was such a beautiful, humble person with a spirit that just drew you in and a warmth that made you want to stay there. Though I didn't know her for very long, she loved me as though I was her own family, welcoming me with a generosity of spirit that is both exceptionally rare and exceptionally refreshing. The last time I saw her was August 2022. I'd decided to surprise my mom for her birthday and I asked Laura if we could stage the surprise at her house. Laura and Elijah were always barbecuing so it seemed like a perfect cover to extend an invitation. If it were just me, it wouldn't have been a big deal. The big ask is that it wouldn't just be me - it'd be my brother and a few family members. She said yes without a moment of hesitation and her generosity of opening her home gave us a beautiful family memory.*

Detra, I won't pretend to know what you're going through. I know what it's like to have your mom be your best friend. There's the comfort of knowing she is in the care of the Lord she loved and who loved her so much, even though you miss her deeply already. My hope for you is that you'll find peace and even joy in having been chosen to be raised, loved, and nurtured by such a beautiful person. She took such pride in being your mother and I hope you can find the courage to be everything she would have wanted you to be. May your life be a reminder that the world was blessed to have known her love. We'll be here as you both grieve and celebrate the life of your mother. May the Lord bless you and keep you. We love you.

Brandi Coates - May 17, 2023 at 09:39 PM

CT

“ *Christal Taylor-Lawson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Christal Taylor-Lawson - May 17, 2023 at 05:58 PM



“ *Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor.*



May 17, 2023 at 10:22 AM

NH

“ *Condolences to the Taylor family*



Nancy Hall - May 16, 2023 at 10:07 PM

BJ

“ *Pray for the Family of Laura Ann Taylor*
Bobbie Jackson



Bobbie Jackson - May 16, 2023 at 10:04 PM

RK

“ *Rose M Cain Kirkpatrick lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Rose M Cain Kirkpatrick - May 16, 2023 at 03:08 PM



“ *Mary Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Mary Lawrence - May 16, 2023 at 02:47 PM

CB

“ *Condolences* 🙏



Charline Bodiford - May 16, 2023 at 01:08 PM

BH

“ *Barbara Hill lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Barbara Hill - May 16, 2023 at 10:34 AM

JH

“ *Judy Holloway-Mayes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Judy Holloway-Mayes - May 16, 2023 at 06:43 AM

CW

“ *Calvin And Delores Wy lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Calvin and Delores Wy - May 15, 2023 at 11:12 PM

AF

“ *Our deepest condolences to the Taylor family. From Ms. Alice Young, Twonnie & Angie Future*

Angee Future - May 15, 2023 at 10:35 PM

WW

“ *Wilma Wirrick lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Wilma Wirrick - May 15, 2023 at 03:31 PM

RR

“ Ms Taylor and I attended Grace Chapel Church together. She was a great piano player.

Rhodan Ray - May 15, 2023 at 02:03 PM

RR

“ Rhodan Ray lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Rhodan Ray - May 15, 2023 at 02:01 PM

LS

“ Larry Campbell Sr lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Larry Campbell Sr - May 15, 2023 at 12:30 PM

JP

“ Josephine Parks lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Josephine Parks - May 15, 2023 at 10:41 AM

VS

“ *Vanda Strode lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Vanda Strode - May 14, 2023 at 09:32 PM

PM

“ *Pamela Monroe sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Pamela Monroe - May 14, 2023 at 05:39 PM

DM

“ *Deborah Mack lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Deborah Mack - May 14, 2023 at 02:17 PM

DJ

“ *She was and is my shero.
She made it clear that she was the parent, but she was my only friend.
She played the piano by ear and had to be taught how to read music at a very early age.
She was truly an artist, a poet, a loving mother and a friend.
I love you mom* ❤️🙏



Detra Joseph - May 14, 2023 at 09:28 AM

CL

“ *My friend Laura had the sweetest spirit we always enjoy each other's company and our phone calls lasted at least an hour Deidre you had a beautiful mother and she was a dear friend to me. My heart is heavy, but there is no more pain. Laura will be truly missed sending heartfelt condolences and prayers to you and your family.*



calvin and Phyllis Little - May 13, 2023 at 10:58 PM

ON

“ To Miss Laura Ann Taylor family. I met Laura Ann when she became a member of our church family. We became instant friends. She remind me so much of my one sister Pat, who also deceased Laura was the most kindest, humble person that I had ever known. She would have gave you the shirt off her back if she had to. Laura start playing the piano at our church She wasn't no Ray Charles but she let the Lord use her. Laura and I became close. I can truly say that she was a friend. And that she loved the Lord with all her heart. There's is no doubt in my mind that she didn't make it in. Laura is now resting peacefully. With no pain. And I'm thankful for that. Rest on my friend. I always wonder why at times that God gets the good ones. I picture that God has this most beautiful garden, of different colors and His garden just don't bloom in the spring and summer but all year round. So bloom on my beautiful friend, bloom on. With much Love. Your friend in Christ Odie Nelson.

Odie Nelson - May 13, 2023 at 10:55 PM

SH

“ We all grew up together at St. Luke C.M.E. Church. Her family was loving and kind. Laura Ann always had a beautiful smile. My sincere condolences to the family.



Sherry Draine Hannah - May 13, 2023 at 02:14 PM

DM

“ Deborah Miller lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Deborah Miller - May 13, 2023 at 01:22 PM

JS

“ *Janie Surles-Cork sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Janie Surles-Cork - May 13, 2023 at 11:15 AM

LW

“ *Louis Weems sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Louis Weems - May 12, 2023 at 08:36 PM

VB

“ *I went to school with Laura Ann. She was a very nice person and a good friend. Rest in peace Laura!*

Vicki Bradley - May 12, 2023 at 07:54 PM

VB

“ *Vicki Bradley sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Vicki Bradley - May 12, 2023 at 07:30 PM

BB

“ *Belinda Barlow-Poole sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Belinda Barlow-Poole - May 12, 2023 at 04:50 PM

BC

“ *Betty Cliatt lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Betty Cliatt - May 12, 2023 at 04:43 PM

SS

“ *Sue Surles-McDole sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Sue Surles-McDole - May 12, 2023 at 01:35 PM

DB

“ *Debra Baty-Cork*



Debra Baty-Cork - May 12, 2023 at 08:11 AM

AH

“ *Aretha Hairston sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Aretha Hairston - May 11, 2023 at 05:17 PM

RW

“ *Rodney And Barbara Walker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Rodney and Barbara Walker - May 11, 2023 at 03:25 PM

JC

“ *Praying Detra and the family*



Janice Powell- Coleman - May 11, 2023 at 02:46 PM

DJ

“ *Doris Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Doris Jones - May 11, 2023 at 09:43 AM

IC

“ IRMA CHISM lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



IRMA CHISM - May 11, 2023 at 08:11 AM

BW

“ Love, prayers, hugs and condolences to the family, extended family and friends. May God comfort each and everyone of you 🙏❤️💖

Bernice Williams - May 11, 2023 at 04:59 AM

DS

“ To the family I pray your strength in the Lord. May your grief be short and your joy much longer with beautiful memories of your beloved Laura Ann. Sincerely Donna Shipman and Brewer family❤️🙏❤️



Donna Shipman - May 10, 2023 at 09:18 PM

ES

“ Ethel N. And Robert A. Shaheed lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Ethel N. and Robert A. Shaheed - May 10, 2023 at 09:14 PM

DP

“ Dorothy Price-Omar lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Dorothy Price-Omar - May 10, 2023 at 07:18 PM

RW

“ Rhonda L. Warren lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Rhonda L. Warren - May 10, 2023 at 03:49 PM

JC

“ Judge Terry L. Clark lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Judge Terry L. Clark - May 10, 2023 at 02:32 PM

MG

“ Rest in Peace my dear SHS Class of 68 classmate. We also attended Houghton School and Central Junior High together.



Milton Goss - May 10, 2023 at 01:34 PM

CW

“ Candace Wilson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Candace Wilson - May 10, 2023 at 01:25 PM

DB

“ Debra Drake Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Debra Drake Brown - May 10, 2023 at 10:32 AM

RC

“ Delores I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your sweet sister Laura, she was such a good and quiet person, may God give you and your family strength through this time of bereavement, love ya Bird❤️❤️🙏🙏



Rose Coleman - May 10, 2023 at 10:18 AM

LA

“ Leopold - Janel Arnett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Leopold - Janel Arnett - May 10, 2023 at 09:31 AM

WB

“ *Walsezetta Bennett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Walsezetta Bennett - May 10, 2023 at 09:14 AM

GD

“ *Gregory LeVOY Daniel lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Gregory LeVOY Daniel - May 10, 2023 at 08:44 AM



“ *Yvette Wofford lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Yvette Wofford - May 09, 2023 at 11:39 PM

GF

“ *Gina Ford-Copeland lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Gina Ford-Copeland - May 09, 2023 at 11:10 PM

BB

“ *Belinda Barlow-Poole lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Belinda Barlow-Poole - May 09, 2023 at 10:32 PM

CM

“ *Cheryl D. Moore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Cheryl D. Moore - May 09, 2023 at 10:27 PM

CP

“ *Cheryl Payton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Cheryl Payton - May 09, 2023 at 09:01 PM

JH

“ *Condolences to Laura's family and friends. Rest peacefully classmate!*



JoeAnn Harris-Jackson - May 09, 2023 at 08:58 PM

GB

“ *GLORIA BLACKMON lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



GLORIA BLACKMON - May 09, 2023 at 08:41 PM



“ *Lorraine Bond-Riley sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Lorraine Bond-Riley - May 09, 2023 at 07:38 PM

LK

“ *Ms. Laura and I grew together in the same neighborhood. She lived on Tuscola and I lived on the corner of 12th and Lapeer. We went to Houghton Elementary, Central Junior High, and SHS. Laura and I work at Steering Gear in the same office and was just worked desk apartment. We also met up at the church a few times. Prayers for the family and friends.*



Loyce Davis Scott Kelley

Lois Kelley - May 09, 2023 at 07:02 PM

ME

“ *Mary Evans lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Mary Evans - May 09, 2023 at 05:41 PM

ML

“ *Margie Baty Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Margie Baty Lawrence - May 09, 2023 at 03:55 PM

LC

“ *Larry Conway lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Larry Conway - May 09, 2023 at 02:00 PM

LH

“ *Luther Harrell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Luther Harrell - May 09, 2023 at 01:34 PM

LH

“ My Condolences goes out to the Family of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor. Ms. Laura Ann Taylor has gone home to be with her Lord and Savior , where there will be no more sickness and pain . Gone much too soon . I had the privilege of meeting Ms. Laura Ann Taylor at Saginaw Steering Gear years ago, she worked in the Data Department “EDS” she would drive to each plant and pick up Data sheets , process them and tabulate production and engineering progress and employee hours worked . Years later we attended Church together at Grace Chapel where she played the piano . Ms.Laura Ann Taylor was a great human being , very kind, soft spoken voice always willing to help if she could, just an all around great person. Ms. Laura Ann Taylor will truly be missed, Goon to soon . Luther Harrell

Luther Harrell - May 09, 2023 at 01:32 PM

JN

“ We the members of Grace Chapel Church, are so thankful to have shared worship services with Ms. Taylor, and have known her personally as our sister in Christ. We are praying for her family in this hour of bereavement.
Pastor James H Nelson.

James Nelson - May 09, 2023 at 01:07 PM

SB

“ Shonyrecca Booker sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Shonyrecca Booker - May 09, 2023 at 08:53 AM

DC

“ Deborah M. & Lucinda B. Colvin lit a candle in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Deborah M. & Lucinda B. Colvin - May 09, 2023 at 08:47 AM

DM

“ Laura Ann, what a beautiful soul and spirit, rest well my sister.



Derrell Martin - May 08, 2023 at 10:23 PM

LT

“ Linda Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor



Linda Taylor - May 08, 2023 at 07:01 PM

RC

“ You will always be remembered from the day we met. We go way back to Central junior high and Saginaw High School. Never forgotten. May you Rest in Peace ❤️🙏



Rose Marie Cain-Kirkpatrick - May 08, 2023 at 06:48 PM

RC

“ *Rose Coleman sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Rose Coleman - May 08, 2023 at 06:28 PM

PJ

“ *Purvis Carter Jr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Laura Ann Taylor*



Purvis Carter Jr. - May 08, 2023 at 03:38 PM

TE

“ *laura Ann was my neighbor for over 20 years and a good friend. love you. tecknerlatimerbrown*

TecknerBrown - May 08, 2023 at 03:33 PM