



Mrs. Lula Diane Evans

August 25, 1947 - May 31, 2025

Due to a lengthy battle with cancer, in the early morning hours on May 31, 2025 with her daughter by her side, our beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother peacefully transitioned from her earthly home at the age of 77 years. She was the daughter of Emma (Thomas) Davis and was born on August 25, 1947 in Saginaw, Michigan.

She was a graduate of Saginaw High School in Saginaw, MI. Lula, affectionately known as “Diane” married Thomas Evans and to this union she mothered three children. Diane worked for General Motors, Air-Mart and owned her own restaurant; “Lady Di’s Diner” where she enjoyed cooking, serving others and employed many family members.

Diane later joined Victorious Believers Ministries under the leadership of the late Bishop Marvin C. Pryor and continued serving under Administrative Assistant Pastor Christopher V. Pryor where she faithfully served in the Kitchen and Usher Ministries. Diane loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family and a special friend, Mother Ella Carter. Diane shared a special sisterly love with Bobbie (Gene) Matthews and Lou Dean Moultrie.

One of Diane’s hobbies was collecting an array of glasses; if her glasses didn’t match her outfit, the outfit wasn’t complete. She enjoyed traveling and in

her latter years she became an international traveler, spending time with her son in Dubai and Morocco. She was a mother, grandmother, aunt and friend to those that came into her life through her children, grandchildren, family and friends. She b had a special group of people she loved as her own: Lloyd Arnold, Larry Calhoun, Sharrie Williams-Crawford, Yvette (Lottie) Carpenter, Melanie Barnette, Njeri (Shay) Olufunmitayo, Yolanda Holloway-Christmas, Darnell Dunnaway and Mohamed Outghachi.

Her memory will be cherished by her daughter, Nova Evans, Saginaw; grandchildren, Paries (Teryn) Myles, Saginaw, Zechariah Evans, Plano, TX; great-grandchildren, Elijah Hairston, Grand Blanc, MI, Gabrielle Hairston, Grand Blanc, MI, Jayce and Zaiden Evans both of Saginaw; sisters, Janice Ruffin and Brenda Davis-Sherly both of Saginaw; special nieces, Regina (Tommie) Phillips, Latanya Davis, Antoinette Ware, Devon Ware and a niece that was more like a daughter, Monica Davis; special nephews, Dietrick and Willie Davis, Jr., Brandon Ruffin and Johnny Daivs, Jr.

Diane was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Evans; a son, Andre Evans; infant daughter, Andrea Evans; parents, Emma (Thomas) Davis; grandparents, Beatrice (Green) Doyle and Johnnie Thompson; brothers, Thomas Davis, Jr; infant twin brothers; sisters, her twin, Beatrice Elaine Davis and Patricia Ware; uncles, Percy Garrette and David Smith; brothers-in-law, Paul McKay, Jimmy Evans, Willie Davis, Sr., Charles Ruffin and James Sherly; nephews, Travis Ruffin and Monte Davis; great-nephews, Otis Cheatham, Jr.; mother and father-in-law, Ella (Earl) Evans-Corley and special friend, Patricia Williams.

The family would like to express special thanks to Pastor Chris and Lady Kenyatta Pryor and the entire VBM family, her niece, Tamelka Doster, U of M Ann Arbor/Midland, Heartland Hospice, Great Lakes Rehab and Evans & Browne's Funeral Home.

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, June 12, 2025 at Victorious Believers Ministries, 624 Outer Dr., Saginaw, MI 48601 with funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Christopher Pryor will officiate. Interment will take place in Buena Vista Cemetery, 612 S. Airport Rd., Saginaw, MI 48601. Visitation will take place Wednesday at the funeral home from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Buena Vista Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 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

JUN 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Victorious Believers Ministries
624 S Outer Dr
Saginaw, MI 48601
(989) 755-7692

Funeral Service

JUN 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Victorious Believers Ministries
624 S Outer Dr
Saginaw, MI 48601
(989) 755-7692

Tribute Wall

CS

“ *Cathie Stephen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Cathie Stephen - February 02 at 07:26 AM

PC

“ *Priscilla Riley Craig sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Priscilla Riley Craig - June 17, 2025 at 08:50 AM

M?

“ *Mary Hannibal, Fort Worth, Texas 🙏 lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Mary Hannibal, Fort Worth, Texas 🙏 - June 13, 2025 at 06:08 AM

JT

“ *To the Evans, Ruffin & all family, condolences & prayers for the heart aches you are experiencing. God doesn't make mistakes and another angel has received her wings ☐ 🙏 Love you all Joseph A Tucker*

Joseph A Tucker - June 11, 2025 at 07:03 PM

SH

“ *Nita and family*



Shaundra Henderson - June 11, 2025 at 04:29 PM

AN

“ *She was am absolute jewel. It was truly my pleasure to serve with her in the kitchen. And more so, she always had a smile. Praying for the family.*

Mother Alethea Taylot



Alethea Nichols-Taylor - June 11, 2025 at 03:02 PM



“ *86 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Browne's Mortuary - June 11, 2025 at 01:39 PM

CS

“ Cheri M Smith



Cheri M Smith - June 11, 2025 at 12:53 PM

AH

“ Aretha Hairston sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Aretha Hairston - June 11, 2025 at 10:05 AM

RR

“ My Dear precious Auntie. You were so special to me. Moving forward is going to feel different. I will hold on to how you loved life, family, friends and your church family. You have received your crown. The glory belongs to The Lord. I love you and will miss you tremendously... But The Lord loved you more. RIP “Lady D”❤️

Regina Ruffin - June 11, 2025 at 06:52 AM

JR

“ In loving memory of my precious sister, Diane. I acknowledge with the upmost of sympathies my broken heart. She was a true warrior in every assignment given to her by the Lord, whether, her cooking abilities, her ushering knowledge, cleanliness of spirit and many other qualities. I know her Heavenly Family welcomes her home, while her earthly family will miss her beyond always. However her spirit rest beneath the Fathers wings while every one of her needs are now being meet. Diane I may have been the oldest of us girls but as I have told you before we talked with each other about numerous spiritual and life events when sometimes they were challenging. So joyful to have had you as my sister. The chain of three may be broken but not our love as it will never be broken. The Lord says he would never leave or forsake us and we will live with him for ever and ever lasting beyond eternity.



Janice Ruffin - June 10, 2025 at 10:46 PM

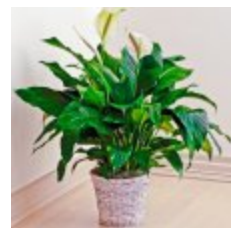
BH

*A beautiful tribute to your loving sister & you.
Barbara Hill*

Barbara Hill - June 11, 2025 at 09:48 AM

SB

“ Shelton, Roslyn, Gabby & Byron purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans.



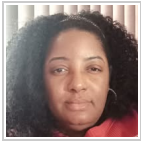
Shelton, Roslyn, Gabby & Byron - June 10, 2025 at 07:51 PM

BE

“ BettyPruitt-Daily sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



BettyPruitt-Daily - June 10, 2025 at 07:14 PM



“ She was a Light. A Beautiful Woman of God. I send my condolences to the Evans family.



Joy Lisa - June 10, 2025 at 06:35 PM

MO

“ Mark Oates lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Mark Oates - June 10, 2025 at 12:58 PM

GB

“ Gwendolyn White Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Gwendolyn White Bowman - June 10, 2025 at 12:47 PM

JA

“ JOYCE ATKINS-PALMER lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



JOYCE ATKINS-PALMER - June 10, 2025 at 12:21 AM

DA

“ My prayers and condolences to the Evan's and Davis family. Sorry for your loss! 🙏



Debara Abdullah - June 09, 2025 at 04:30 PM

AG

“ Alisa Griffith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Alisa Griffith - June 09, 2025 at 10:05 AM

MJ

“ Marion Alisa Griffith Jr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Marion Alisa Griffith jr - June 09, 2025 at 10:04 AM

VH

“ *Diane was a beautiful person, she always had a smile on her face and a warm hug whenever we saw each other. I have known her 70 years and she will be truly missed.*



Vanessa HumesJohnson - June 09, 2025 at 09:12 AM

LK

“ *Larry Kemp sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Larry Kemp - June 08, 2025 at 12:08 AM

MD

“ *Mrs. Jessie Dawkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Mrs. Jessie Dawkins - June 07, 2025 at 07:43 PM

MD

My heart is saddened. 😭 I will truly miss her. Love her forever. 🙏

Mrs. Jessie Dawkins - June 07, 2025 at 07:46 PM

LP

My prayers and condolences to Nova and the family.. Ms Diane was a jewel and we loved her!!!!

Linda Pryor - June 09, 2025 at 07:51 AM

LW

“ *Lisa Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Lisa Williams - June 07, 2025 at 03:52 PM

CL

“ *In memory of my classmate at Arthur Eddy and Saginaw High . She had a lovely smile and was a beautiful person both inside and out. She was kind and I will always remember her . From Calvin Little 🙏*

Calvin Little - June 07, 2025 at 03:02 PM



“ *Darlean Donald sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Darlean Donald - June 06, 2025 at 09:09 AM

LH

“ *Sending my deepest condolences to the family, I met her while attending VBM. She was such a sweet woman.*



Leslie B Henton - June 06, 2025 at 12:46 AM

CS

“ *Cathie Stephen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Cathie Stephen - June 05, 2025 at 11:01 PM

BJ

“ *To Brenda, Jan and all other members of the Davis-Evans family, we cannot tell you the sorrow we feel at the loss of your loved one. We pray that you all will find comfort in our Lord and know that he will see you through this difficult time. You are in our prayers. The members of the Mahogany Social Club.*



Brenda Jones - June 05, 2025 at 10:09 PM

JW

“ *Jean Willis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Jean Willis - June 05, 2025 at 06:13 PM

RG

“ *Rosie Gatson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Rosie Gatson - June 05, 2025 at 05:31 PM

AP

“ *Alberta Pruitt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Alberta Pruitt - June 05, 2025 at 10:23 AM

EB

“ *Elaine Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Elaine Brown - June 05, 2025 at 09:30 AM

KW

“ *Kensell Webb lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Kensell Webb - June 05, 2025 at 09:17 AM

TF

“ *Rest in peace auntie Diane we love you*



The Martin Family - June 05, 2025 at 09:13 AM

SW

“ My condolences to Nova and Ms Diane’s entire family. May GOD’S promise to comfort you surround and embrace you.

Stefanie Williams - June 05, 2025 at 09:02 AM

LK

“ Larry Kemp sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Larry Kemp - June 05, 2025 at 12:59 AM



“ Lavender & White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans.



June 04, 2025 at 10:25 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans.

June 04, 2025 at 10:25 PM

RW

“ I am at a loss for words right now. I just spoke with Momma D not too long ago. I am very much appreciative to Nova and the family for allowing her to step in when my mom passed. She has been an awesome support and love for me and my siblings. Nova we are sisters for life. I am here before whatever you need. Pandora

Rosalyn Williams - June 04, 2025 at 07:55 PM

BH

“ Condolences to Diane’s entire family.



Barbara Hill - June 04, 2025 at 07:21 PM

SS

“ Sue Surles-McDole sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Sue Surles-McDole - June 04, 2025 at 07:01 PM

GL

“ Gloria(Ford)Cormier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Gloria(Ford)Cormier - June 04, 2025 at 05:55 PM

NK

“ I would always see her an she always looked so nicely dress an all always admired her, beautiful woman ..send love an prayers from the KING FAMILY.



Nancy king - June 04, 2025 at 04:53 PM

LT

“ Another soldier gone home. Ms Lula a dear friend that will be missed.



Lois Scott-Kelley (Houston, Texas) - June 04, 2025 at 03:06 PM

JJ

“ Janice, Brenda, Nova, all connected families and friends: First, let me express my most sincere condolences and prayers. Here you are again grieving the transition of another loved one. I thank God that you are rooted in Christ, therefore you know WHO to call on for HELP during this difficult time! Our families have been friends for more years than I can count and we have always been available for each other. Please know that nothing has changed! We are still here! LOVE TO EVERYONE !!
Joe Ann (Harris) Jackson



JoeAnn Jackson - June 04, 2025 at 01:39 PM

DK

“ Praying For The Family. Our Deepest Sympathy And Heartfelt Condolences.



Deacon Bobby & Deaconess Thelma Kelley - June 04, 2025 at 12:02 PM

WH

“ Walter/Dorothy Harris sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Walter/Dorothy Harris - June 04, 2025 at 09:46 AM

SH

“ Nova, I send my sincere condolences and prayers to you and your family. May God wrap his loving arms around you and your love ones to comfort and give you peace. The Hall family, loves you dearly.



Stephanie Hall - June 04, 2025 at 09:11 AM

JH

“ Jeffery Hill Sharon Hill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Jeffery Hill Sharon Hill - June 03, 2025 at 08:32 PM

JH

Our Condolences to you and your family she will truly be missed by many continue to rest in paradise 🙏❤️

Jeffery Hill Sharon Hill - June 03, 2025 at 08:35 PM

BK

“ *Barbara Kemp-Lauria lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Barbara Kemp-Lauria - June 03, 2025 at 03:39 PM

DB

“ *Dorothy Burch lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Dorothy Burch - June 03, 2025 at 02:19 PM

LW

“ *To my Evans and Davis family words cannot express how heartbroken I am hearing of TeeTee Diane passing. She was kind, caring and so much fun to be around. I'm really going to miss her. I ask only 2 things: Hug everyone and to watch over us all until we meet again. I Love you Lady*



Larissa White - June 03, 2025 at 02:09 PM

DS

“ Donna Shipman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Donna Shipman - June 03, 2025 at 01:48 PM

YC

“ Yashica Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Yashica Campbell - June 03, 2025 at 10:42 AM

DJ

“ Doris Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Doris Jackson - June 03, 2025 at 09:38 AM

AM

“ Arie Moten lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Arie Moten - June 03, 2025 at 08:49 AM

VR

“ To the Davis family so sorry about your loss of your family member I grew up with the Davis family she always gave me a hug every time I saw her she will be truly missed love you all be praying for your family Valerie D Robinson



Valerie D Robinson - June 03, 2025 at 08:00 AM

LT

“ Latrice Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Latrice Thomas - June 03, 2025 at 07:59 AM

SF

“ Sandra Smith & Family!! lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Sandra Smith & Family!! - June 03, 2025 at 07:10 AM

MH

“ Mitchell Holden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Mitchell Holden - June 03, 2025 at 05:53 AM

JU

“ *JudyHollowaymayes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



judyHollowaymayes - June 03, 2025 at 05:20 AM

AF

“ *Annie Ruth Speight Fuller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Annie Ruth Speight Fuller - June 03, 2025 at 12:47 AM

DL

“ *Dr. James and Barbara Littles purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans.*



Dr. James and Barbara Littles - June 03, 2025 at 12:44 AM

CH

“ *Clifford Harris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Clifford Harris - June 03, 2025 at 12:36 AM

YC

“ Yvonne Corley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Yvonne Corley - June 03, 2025 at 12:33 AM

TW

“ T Wilbert lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



T Wilbert - June 02, 2025 at 11:43 PM

TF

“ Sorry for your loss. May She rest in peace.



The Braggs family - June 02, 2025 at 11:42 PM

T(

“ My dear sister Nova. I was so hurt to learn of Mom's passing. Please know that Many share in your tremendous loss. However I find comfort in knowing that she's resting in the arm's of our Lord and Savior. I have so many memories of the Beautiful woman she was and how she treated me as if I was her daughter. I'll forever Love and Treasure what she meant to me. I love you ALL



Tara Moten (Niecy) - June 02, 2025 at 08:27 PM

AM

“ My sincere condolences to the family Diane was a very kind person we go way back from the days of Arthur Eddy school until she came to Vbm ministries keeping you and family in my prayers

Alma Miller(Hill) - June 02, 2025 at 06:32 PM

CP

“ Cheryl Payton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Cheryl Payton - June 02, 2025 at 06:22 PM

GC

“ Gloria Culpepper sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Gloria Culpepper - June 02, 2025 at 05:43 PM

DB

“ To the family of Diane Evans, Diane will truly be missed, will always treasure our happy days working together in the 70's at the Wig Shop.
Doris Battle



Doris Battle - June 02, 2025 at 04:07 PM

KF

“ Kunitha Hicks-Peterson & King Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Kunitha Hicks-Peterson & King Family - June 02, 2025 at 03:59 PM

MR

“ MrsBlue sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



MrsBlue - June 02, 2025 at 03:43 PM

DA

“ DAVEDA lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



DAVEDA - June 02, 2025 at 02:57 PM

SS

“ Nova, my prayers are with you and the family during this difficult time. Auntie Diane will be forever loved and missed. ❤️



Silvia Stanford - June 02, 2025 at 09:14 AM

VP

“ To Janice and entire Davis and Evans Families I send my condolences and pray that your happy memories will help to comfort you



Vyethel Kemp Peterson - June 02, 2025 at 06:51 AM

DA

“ Deborah Hinton Abdullah lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Deborah Hinton Abdullah - June 02, 2025 at 12:19 AM

CS

“ To the Evans and extended family. So sorry for your loss. Praying that God will give you Super Natural Strength to make it through this difficult time. Colleen Smith



Colleen R SMITH - June 01, 2025 at 10:13 PM

GF

“ Gina Ford-Copeland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Gina Ford-Copeland - June 01, 2025 at 07:53 PM



“ God's blessings, comfort and great peace to all families and loved ones♥ Love you all



Phyllis Thorne - June 01, 2025 at 07:46 PM

TF

“ Tomekia Willis & The Willis Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Tomekia Willis & The Willis Family - June 01, 2025 at 05:58 PM

JP

“ Janice Powell-Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans



Janice Powell-Coleman - June 01, 2025 at 04:24 PM

MC

“ *Melvin Cotton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Melvin Cotton - June 01, 2025 at 04:19 PM

RF

“ *We send our deepest condolences to the Evans and Davis Families in the loss of our cousin and lifelong friend, Diane Evans. Praying for all.*



Ralph & Lynette (Garrett) Ford - June 01, 2025 at 02:30 PM

JH

“ *Jamie And Raymond Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Jamie and Raymond Hicks - June 01, 2025 at 11:54 AM

RS

“ *Rosetta Scott*



Rosetta Scott - June 01, 2025 at 10:19 AM

DM

“ *Doloris Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Doloris Mixon - June 01, 2025 at 10:06 AM

YS

“ *My Condolences and Prayers are with you Nova and the entire family in this Hour of Behavement 🙏*



Yvonne Sanders - June 01, 2025 at 09:07 AM

WF

“ *Wanda Faye Reynolds And The Reynolds Fam lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Wanda Faye Reynolds and the Reynolds fam - June 01, 2025 at 07:33 AM

AL

“ *Annie Lowery lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Annie Lowery - June 01, 2025 at 12:32 AM

IH

“ *Ida Helton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Ida Helton - May 31, 2025 at 11:53 PM

BJ

“ *Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Brenda Jones - May 31, 2025 at 10:23 PM

CW

“ *Cookey Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Cookey Williams - May 31, 2025 at 08:58 PM

EM

“ *Ernestine Martin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Ernestine Martin - May 31, 2025 at 07:38 PM

EC

“ *Eric Collins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lula Diane Evans*



Eric Collins - May 31, 2025 at 07:36 PM

MJ

“ *Praying for you Sis. Nova & Family.*



Min. Anthony & Sis. Marcia Jones - May 31, 2025 at 07:32 PM

MR

“ *Nova
I am so very sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Diane. May GOD comfort and give you peace during this most difficult time. I am here for you. Love you*



Michelle Roberson - May 31, 2025 at 06:51 PM