



Ms. Queen Esther Herndon

May 15, 1934 - January 27, 2018

Loving mother, sister and grandmother passed away on January 27, 2018 at St. Mary's of Michigan in Saginaw at the age of 83 years.

Queen Esther was born on May 15, 1934 in Perkins, Oklahoma to William and Alberta Ivey. She was a proud graduate of Saginaw High School after which she immediately joined the United States Air Force where she served at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. During her time served she traveled to England and Germany. She also was selected to teach six weeks of nutrition courses at Delta College. Ms. Herndon was employed as a caseworker for the State of Michigan Department of Social Services and retired after 25 years of service. She became a resident at New Hope Valley Independent Retirement Community where she enjoyed bingo, especially winning. Queen enjoyed painting, exercising and watching basketball. She will be truly missed by her family and friends.

Ms. Herndon leaves to cherish loving memories, two daughters, Deborah Guerrero and Yvonne Herndon; one son, Michael (Mighty Mike) Herndon; one brother, Larry Ivey; grandchildren, Dorinda (Meek) Garcia, Fort Wayne, IN, Quincy and Anthony Guerrero, Natalie, Detroit, MI, Carmichael Herndon, Grand Rapids, MI, Jada Herndon; two nieces, LaTina Ivey-Blacknall (Rodney), Pontiac, MI, Harriet Patilia, Bay City, MI; four nephews, Greg and Eddy Coburn, Detroit, MI, Terry and Keith Coburn, Bay City, MI; one great-nephew,

Jimmy Baber, Jr; sister-in-law, Queen Ivey, Pontiac, MI; son-in-law, Alfonso Guerrero, Memphis, TN; cousin, Ruby Robinson; many great and great-great grandchildren, including a dear friend she met at New Hope Valley, Rose; a special friend, Sophia and other friends, Shirley Norman, Shirley Caviness and Cynthia Jones (Cheekie Cheek).

She was preceded in death by her parents, William Ivey II and Alberta (Westbeat) Ivey; sons, Anthony, Howard and Rodney Herndon; Brothers, Jack Coburn and William Ivey III; niece, Vicki Baber.

The family gives thanks to St. Marys' of Michigan ICU and 5 South, Right at Home-Kontonio, Rose, Beyonka and all the rest. Fresenius Medical Care and Avista Rehab.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 10, 2018 at the Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, MI 48607. Interment will be in Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Road, Holly, MI 48442.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI

Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon



Browne's Mortuary - February 23, 2018 at 02:07 PM



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon



Browne's Mortuary - February 09, 2018 at 05:03 PM



Jada Herndon

“ Not a day goes by that you don't cross my mind granny. I love and miss you so much. Thank you for being my superwoman 💜



Jada Herndon - February 25, 2018 at 06:05 PM

JB

One of the most greatest woman I ever met, such a beautiful soul and very intelligent, a wonderful inspiration to me always.

Jarvis Berry - August 05, 2019 at 01:07 PM

TC

“ SORRY YVONNE... TO READ OF THE LOSS OF... YOUR MOM... SHE WAS ONCE MY SOCIAL WORKER.... SHE HELPED ME AT THAT TIME... GET BENEFITS I NEVER KNEW.... I QUALIFY FOR.... I PRAY GODS STRENGHT YVONNE TO TOU AND YOUR FAMILY



Teresa choyce - February 15, 2018 at 08:18 AM

TC

“ Queen and I worked together. She was a wonderful person. She always said, “Don’t let the fox guard the chickens”. I’ll miss you

Tom Call - February 11, 2018 at 11:53 AM

BJ

“ Rest Peacefully Sweet Lady.



Beverly Jackson - February 10, 2018 at 11:24 AM

DW

“ Queen Esther ALWAYS had a smile, great hugs and kind words! We've missed seeing her at New Hope. Our prayers are with your family

Ed Iles

Diane (Iles) and Jim Wojtasinski

Diana Wojtasinski - February 09, 2018 at 06:44 PM

PC

“ I remember this wonderful, blessed woman as my cousin's (Hurge "Newt" Davis) girlfriend. Back in 1985, my cousin Hurge died upstairs in her house and she was so loving, caring and graceful that our family really loved Queen Esther and appreciated her.



She was a warm and wonderful person and I know that GOD has her in the very best part of Heaven. Rest peacefully, thy good and faithful servant. You will surely be missed.

Pastor Demetric Canada

Pastor Demetric Canada - February 09, 2018 at 01:49 PM

BR

“ Queen Esther was our neighbor on Norman St. in the projects back in the 60s when I was a kid. She became a dear friend to my mother and helped us in many ways. I saw her years later at DHS and she recognized me right away because I resemble my mother. My siblings and I will never forget Queen Esther's kindness during a very troubled era. God bless the Herndon family!

Bonnie Edgley Rowley - February 09, 2018 at 01:46 PM

JD

“ *It was a privilege to know such a compassionate friend and co-worker.*

Jim Defrees

Jim Defrees - February 09, 2018 at 09:45 AM

DM

“ *DIANA MIREE lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon*



DIANA MIREE - February 08, 2018 at 08:45 PM

PR

“ *Queen was a very loving, friendly and sweet person. She was very interesting to listen to as she told some of her life stories. I met her at New Hope Valley where she had many friends. We liked her cheerful personality and how intensely she would listen as we told our stories. Queen you are truly a faithful servant of the Lord. I will miss our visits. Peace, Love You, Prayers. Till we meet again...my dear friend.*



Patty Reynolds - February 08, 2018 at 06:39 PM

BD

“ When I began work at Social Services in 1972, Queen was my office mate and caseload partner. But way more than that she taught me about life, the realities of prejudice in Saginaw, counseled me on my love life, shared her wisdom and showed me no matter the tragedies in your life you need to pick up, go forward, smile and be an inspiration to others. Please accept my condolences. She was a remarkable woman who left a lasting mark on my life. Bonnie Allan Defrees

Bonnie L Defrees - February 07, 2018 at 06:55 PM

LD

“ Mrs. Herndon...Its been such a long time since I've seen her, she was one of the nicest people that I met in Saginaw when first moving here, That smile and compassion for people was amazing, Know that she is in the arms of God.



Lily Dixon - February 07, 2018 at 01:35 PM

SW

“ Sam Woodhouse lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon



Sam Woodhouse - February 07, 2018 at 09:33 AM

KF

“ Jesus said I Am The Light Of The World (John 8:12) Continue Following Him!
Condolences to the Herndon Family

Karen Felder - February 06, 2018 at 10:31 AM

VS

“ *Vermell Sangster lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon*



Vermell Sangster - February 05, 2018 at 08:10 PM



“ *Cathie Red lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon*



Cathie Red - February 04, 2018 at 08:28 AM

JS

“ *Jamie Sanders-Hicks lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon*



Jamie Sanders-Hicks - February 03, 2018 at 10:08 PM

EJ

“ *Emma Jackson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon*



Emma Jackson - February 02, 2018 at 09:29 PM

EJ

“ Although i had not seen Ms. Herndon for quite sometime she was quite the woman and told it like it was; she had a great sense of humor and will truly be missed. My sincere condolences to the family.

Emma Jackson - February 02, 2018 at 09:29 PM

SN

“ Queen and I worked together for many years at what was the department of social services at the time .We became great friends, I called her Queenie Weenie and she called me Shirley Wurley. She was a special special woman. The family has my prayers and well wishes. Shirley Norman



Shirley Norman - February 02, 2018 at 08:18 PM

MF

“ Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds & Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon



Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds & Family - February 02, 2018 at 07:52 PM

HP

“ Harriet Gary- Patilla purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon.



Harriet Gary- Patilla - February 02, 2018 at 12:07 PM

DB

“ *My Prayers Go: Out To The Entire Family Whom I Have Very Loving Memories As A Long Time Friend And Preschool Teacher Of Some Of The Children Love You All.*

Dorothy Brown - January 31, 2018 at 02:11 AM

JS

“ *Johnny Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon*



Johnny Smith - January 30, 2018 at 02:34 PM

BH

“ *Barbara Hollis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon*



Barbara Hollis - January 30, 2018 at 01:02 PM

LD

“ *Lenora Dixon Durham lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon*



Lenora Dixon Durham - January 30, 2018 at 03:58 AM

YJ

“ Yvette Jackson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon



Yvette Jackson - January 29, 2018 at 12:55 PM

AQ

“ Avon Quist lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon



Avon Quist - January 28, 2018 at 04:21 PM



VH

“ Vanessa Humes-Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon



Vanessa Humes-Johnson - January 28, 2018 at 01:04 PM

TC

“ Rest In Peace, gone but never forgotten,
Heart felt Prayers to The Entire Family ... 




Theresa Cooper - January 28, 2018 at 08:04 AM

DF

“ Prayingbfir my sister Jada and her mom yvonne



Donavon Flemings - January 28, 2018 at 06:52 AM

MC

“ Myrtle Collier lit a candle in memory of Ms. Queen Esther Herndon



Myrtle Collier - January 28, 2018 at 04:38 AM

WS

“ Sorry for your loss, we are praying for the family.

Pastor William and Vivian Scott.



William Scott - January 27, 2018 at 06:35 PM