



## Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford

September 26, 1926 - December 29, 2022

Our loved one, Mrs. Roxie Mae Ford, devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and business owner passed away on Thursday, December 29, 2022 at the age of 96 years. Roxie was born September 26, 1926 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas to Osburn "OB" Bradley and Olga Ledden Bradley.

She was educated in the Pine Bluff school system where she graduated from high school. Roxie accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at Solomon Hill Baptist Church in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Roxie relocated to Saginaw, Michigan where she met and married the love of her life, Robert Ford. She became a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. R.B. Bradley. She was a Beta Flock Member.

Roxie worked for Du-White Laundry for 20 years before taking ownership. She worked until her health failed. After retiring, Roxie spent her time doing what she enjoyed most, talking daily to her circle of close friends; Charlene Robinson, Mildred Polk, Reesie Haynie, Grace Nelson, Odessa Caver, Margaret (Enoch) Brodus and many church members. To know Mrs. Roxie M. Ford, you would know the following people because they were very special to her. She was going to tell you something about them: Willie B.

Bankston, Nikki Logan, Corintha Bush, Norma (Albert) Carter, Carrie (Solomon) Brunson, Charles Ledden and Garland (Charlene) Smith.

Left to cherish her memory are daughters, Curtis (Dudley) Tatem, Country Club Hills, IL and Ann Ford, Saginaw, MI. She helped raise nieces, Norma Carter, Suvellia Boggs and Leeunice Washington; grandchildren, Justin (Momoko) Tatem and Sterling Tatem, Country Hills, IL; great-grandchildren, Matthew D. Jr. and DeonTay M. Ford; great-great-grandchildren, Joshiah and Jocier Thomas, Kluture and Kashton Davis and DaKing M. Ford, siblings, Polly Bradley, Roscoe and Zack Bradley, Osburn , Sr. and Robert Bradley, Jr.; nieces, LaJoyce (TJ) Jones, Gwenevere and Vona Renee, and RheaNita Bush and Lottie Haydne; nephews, Zebedee (Patricia) Rhodes, Charles (Sarah) Ford, Jimmy Bush and Michael (Sabrina) Bush; great-nieces and nephew, Renee (Terrance) Harris, Kelly Rhodes, Donielle Logan, Shanita (Brandon) Flowers and Gerard Franklin; great-great-nephews and niece, Terrell (Daphane) Rhodes, Christopher (Tanaasha) Herring and Kunita Ford; goddaughters, Kelly Spiller, TaCreia Voltz, Adriene Mason, Gwendolyn Bowman; god-sons, Rev. Kenneth Draine, Devon Shine and Jronquae Duncan; other close friends, Emma Atwater, Gwen Lowery, Pastor Lathon, LJ Johnson, Curtis Draine, Gladys Smith, the Sam Pruitt, Jones, Curtis Draine, Al and Gloria Napier, and McKnight families and the mother of her great-grandson, Crystal Thomas.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, Robert Ford; grandson, Matthew D. Ford, Sr.; parents; sister, Jewel Rhodes and other siblings; aunts; a niece she raised, Willie B. Bankston; and brother-in-law, cousins and many friends.

Funeral service will take place 11:00 AM Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Ave., Saginaw, Michigan 48607. Dr. Marvin T. Smith officiate. Entombment will take place in Oakwood

Memorial Mausoleum, 5950 Gratiot Rd., Saginaw, MI 48638. Visitation will take place from 9:00 AM until time of service.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Memorial Mausoleum

5950 Gratiot Road  
Saginaw, MI 48638

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford*



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**Browne's Mortuary** - January 18, 2023 at 10:51 AM



“ *To Ann and the entire family so sorry for your loss. Praying that God will give you supernatural strength to make it through this difficult time.*



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**Colleen Smith** - January 21, 2023 at 09:44 AM

TF

“ *We know the day will come but death always leaves us with grief. Sharing in your sorrow with love and care.*



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**The Burnson Family** - January 18, 2023 at 05:47 PM

WB

“ *Wendell Burnson*

*R.I.P. Our Dearest Cousin Roxie Mae Ford. I  
THANK HER LOVING US ALL AS HER  
OWN. AGAIN MY DEEPEST  
CONDOLENCES TO YOU COUSIN ANN.*



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**Wendell Burnson** - January 18, 2023 at 05:35 PM

CB

“ *Rest in heaven birthday twin.*



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**Charline Bodiford** - January 17, 2023 at 09:14 PM

CM

“ *Charlotte McMillan-Harper lit a candle in  
memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae  
Ford*



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**Charlotte McMillan-Harper** - January 17, 2023 at 04:06 PM

VS

“ *DuWhite Laundry, where my father took all his  
shirts and jeans, and our (kids) jeans, nice  
starched jeans that we wore to school. Roxie  
was the lady of Du White, rest in Heaven*



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**Vermell Griffith Sangster** - January 15, 2023 at 11:39 PM

AJ

“ Alphonso Gibbs Jr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Alphonso Gibbs Jr - January 15, 2023 at 02:24 PM

AJ

“ I've known Ms. Roxie since I was a teenager, coming to her house to see her niece from Detroit every summer. She was always kind to me. May she rest in peace.

Alphonso Gibbs Jr - January 15, 2023 at 02:22 PM

KS

“ Kathy Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Kathy Shaw - January 14, 2023 at 09:36 PM

TH

“ Tina Marie Houze lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Tina Marie Houze - January 14, 2023 at 11:07 AM

CM

“ Charlotte McMillan-Harper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Charlotte McMillan-Harper - January 14, 2023 at 09:41 AM

MS

“ Mrs. Earlean Shepard and family



Mrs. Earlean Shepard - January 14, 2023 at 09:02 AM

WH

“ William & Freddie Hodges sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



William & Freddie Hodges - January 13, 2023 at 08:56 PM

TH

“ Tina Marie Houze lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Tina Marie Houze - January 12, 2023 at 06:43 PM

BC

“ *Bennie & Shirley Cooper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford*



**Bennie & Shirley Cooper** - January 11, 2023 at 08:50 PM

PL

“ *Sister Roxie Ford was a very lovely and and caring person. She was always in interested in what I did. She will surely be missed.*

**Pauline Lawrence** - January 11, 2023 at 11:15 AM

CP

“ *Carrie B Polk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford*



**Carrie B Polk** - January 10, 2023 at 08:37 PM

LV

“ *Linda McClain Veasley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford*



**Linda McClain Veasley** - January 09, 2023 at 03:12 PM

ES

“ Ella Scott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie  
"Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Ella Scott - January 09, 2023 at 01:47 PM

JH

“ Judy Holloway-Mayes lit a candle in memory  
of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Judy Holloway-Mayes - January 08, 2023 at 01:20 PM

AH

“ Our sincere thoughts and prayers 🙏 go out to Mrs Roxie Ford's  
family. May she Rest In Peace with the Lord.

Alice and Diamond Hatcher - January 08, 2023 at 11:35 AM

LS

“ Linda Stidhum sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



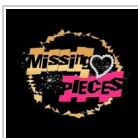
Linda Stidhum - January 07, 2023 at 09:35 PM

GN

“ Gordon And Barbara Nichols lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Gordon and Barbara Nichols - January 07, 2023 at 08:31 PM



“ Missing Pieces DavisDiggs lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Missing Pieces DavisDiggs - January 07, 2023 at 04:36 PM

JS

“ Janie Surles-Cork sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Janie Surles-Cork - January 06, 2023 at 02:12 PM

DT

“ Debbie Toney lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Debbie Toney - January 05, 2023 at 07:46 PM

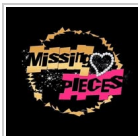
SM

“ Prayers and condolences to the family of Mrs. Ford.

*Sheldon "Snap" and Carla Matthews*



Sheldon and Carla Matthews - January 04, 2023 at 02:41 PM



“ Missing Pieces DavisDiggs lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Missing Pieces DavisDiggs - January 04, 2023 at 01:00 PM

YS

“ Yvonne Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Yvonne Sanders - January 04, 2023 at 09:06 AM

BC

“ Betty Chaney lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Betty Chaney - January 04, 2023 at 12:44 AM

KC

“ Karen Cork lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Karen Cork - January 03, 2023 at 02:52 PM

GL

“ To the Ford family. Sending caring thoughts to you during your time of sorrow.



Glendorah Lawrence - January 03, 2023 at 02:40 PM



“ Mrs. Roxie Mae and my mother were friends for years. I always admired her strength and courage. She lived a wholesome life. RIP!



Carolyn Spencer - January 03, 2023 at 02:33 PM

AJ

“ Amelia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Amelia Johnson - January 03, 2023 at 01:27 PM

IC

“ IRMA CHISM lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



IRMA CHISM - January 03, 2023 at 11:05 AM

WB

“ Walsezetta Bennett sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Walsezetta Bennett - January 03, 2023 at 10:18 AM

PU

“ Pumpkin sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Pumpkin - January 03, 2023 at 07:50 AM

NH

“ Noland & Karen Heath lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Noland & Karen Heath - January 03, 2023 at 12:12 AM

BM

“ Mrs. Roxie was my God Mother. I will always remember holidays with her & Robert Ford she taught me to slice the holiday ham I had to be 4 or 5yrs old and always let me eat most of the pineapples & cherries off the top..I was the first baby to play in tht house. And to open christmas gifts.. She always had real trees decorated to the (T). I will nvr forget the house Nxt door to my families home. Ann always baked me chocolate chip cookies they still hve the same cookie jar. Some 50 yrs later..yeah I got old..😁 she taught me to press shirts at the cleaners and to ring up customers on the register. I always had the desires of my heart if it was left up to Mrs.Roxie. If my mom said No. I knew where to go.. 😞 Mrs.Roxie nvr told me No.. Pulling up in the driveway already feels diff. 😞 but In my heart is where I will keep the fondest memories of her.. Im gonna miss Washing and Curling her soft silver hair 💖 and talking to her the whole while about everything under the sun... we all love you Mrs.Roxie. I know we dnt get forever so we'll keep you forever n our 💖.. Luv Always everybody on (the other side of the driveway)😞



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**BaQui McKnight** - January 02, 2023 at 11:09 PM

NS

“ Our condolences and prayers to Mother Ford's family . She and our mom Mrs Franklin shared many blessed years together as friends and coworkers. She will be truly missed. Est in peace, Mother Ford!!!



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**Nolan and Earleen Smithers** - January 02, 2023 at 06:24 PM

WH

“ William & Freddie Hodges sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



William & Freddie Hodges - January 02, 2023 at 02:51 PM

AF

“ Alice Fields lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Alice Fields - January 02, 2023 at 12:40 PM

SL

“ SANDRA J LOWERY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



SANDRA J LOWERY - January 02, 2023 at 11:21 AM



“ Lorraine Bond-Riley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Lorraine Bond-Riley - January 01, 2023 at 10:12 PM

JS

“ *Jamie Sanders-Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford*



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**Jamie Sanders-Hicks** - January 01, 2023 at 09:11 AM

KM

“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Mrs. Ford. My Mom was very good friends with Mrs. Ford as we were growing up. She always had a smile and a sparkle in her eye when she laughed . The last time I seen her was at Mrs. Haynie birthday party a some years ago and that laughter and sparkle was still there.  
RIP Mrs. Ford*



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**Karen Martin-Brodnex** - December 31, 2022 at 08:21 PM

SJ

“ *My deepest condolence goes out to family and friends, so sorry for your loss*



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**Shirley J Jones** - December 31, 2022 at 04:10 PM

SJ

“ Sam And Ann Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Sam and Ann Jones - December 31, 2022 at 11:24 AM

MB

“ Our sincere condolences are extended to the family of Roxie Mae. We only knew her to be a dear friend, cousin, parent, wife and Christian lady who was very easy to talk to. Be comforted by her memory and wonderful legacy. Be blessed.

Mary Nettles(Georgia) and Margie Barnes - December 31, 2022 at 10:58 AM

DM

“ Doloris Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Doloris Mixon - December 31, 2022 at 10:09 AM

MS

“ Min. Thomas & Helen Speed sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford



Min. Thomas & Helen Speed - December 31, 2022 at 09:39 AM

LP

“ *Larry & Yvonne Polk sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Roxie "Mrs. DuWhite" Mae Ford*



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**Larry & Yvonne Polk** - December 31, 2022 at 09:30 AM