



Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles

June 28, 1940 - December 29, 2023

Our beloved Uleslie Surles, was born on June 28, 1940 in Lowndes County, Alabama to William and Cherry Surles. Little Buddy was the 8th child of 10 children.

Little Buddy spent his early years working on the farm in Gordonville, Alabama. He and his younger brother George (Jack) did the plowing and the planting of the crops. He also received his early childhood education in Gordonville.

After the family home in Alabama was destroyed by fire, Little Buddy, George (Jack) and other family members relocated to Saginaw, MI. Once in Saginaw, Little Buddy joined other family members to work at the Grey Iron Plant for General Motors Corporation.

Little Buddy retired from the Grey Iron Plant after 25 years of service and he was a member of UAW Local 668. He was a long-time member of Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Saginaw, MI. Little Buddy enjoyed life and spending time with family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his devoted wife, Lucille Surles; his parents, William and Cherry Surles; four brothers: William (John Daniel) Surles, Chester B. Surles, Lewis (Bully) Surles and George (Jack) Surles; and two

sisters, Annie J. Surles and Laura Aaron.

Little Buddy is survived by four sisters: Dollie M. Lawrence, Jimmie Lee Foster, Pauline Lawrence of Saginaw, MI and Ella Williams of Montgomery, AL; one step-daughter, Marcia (Ben) Williams, one special step-grandson, Leslie (Rochelle) Barkley; Mary Nolen; a host of other step-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

During Little Buddy's recent illness, he received excellent medical assistance care from his niece, Tina Foster.

Family hour will take place at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Ave. with funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Dr. Marvin T. Smith will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington Ave., Saginaw, MI 48601. Visitation will take place from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue
Saginaw, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 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
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Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Browne's Mortuary - January 09, 2024 at 10:51 AM

BE

“ *BettyPruitt-Daily lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



BettyPruitt-Daily - January 10, 2024 at 04:05 PM

GB

“ *Gloria Blackmon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Gloria Blackmon - January 10, 2024 at 01:16 PM

KB

“ Kai Bailey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Kai Bailey - January 10, 2024 at 03:49 AM


DP

“ Dorothy Price-Omar lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Dorothy Price-Omar - January 09, 2024 at 09:03 PM

LS

“ Lillie B. Strong & family Lit a candle  in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Lillie Strong - January 09, 2024 at 10:57 AM

VP

“ Vickie Pearce lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Vickie Pearce - January 09, 2024 at 10:23 AM

BB

“ *Bertha Bibb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Bertha Bibb - January 08, 2024 at 10:42 PM

MJ

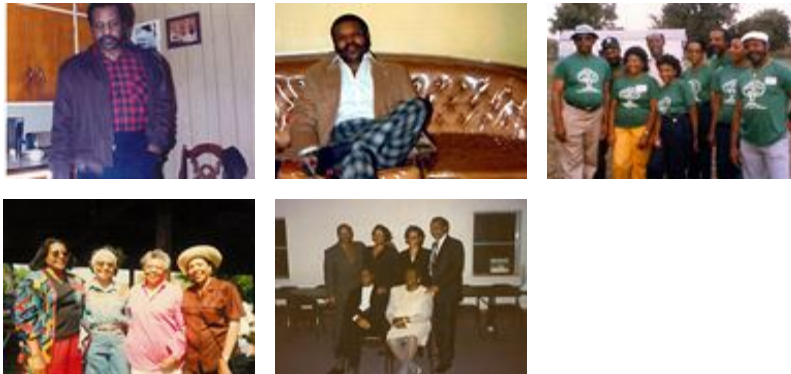
“ *Ms.AMELIA Genwright Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Ms.AMELIA Genwright Johnson - January 08, 2024 at 08:10 PM



“ *34 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Browne's Mortuary - January 08, 2024 at 02:40 PM

DJ

“ David G Lawrence Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



David G Lawrence Jr - January 08, 2024 at 10:29 AM

PS

“ Phyllis Scarbrough sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Phyllis Scarbrough - January 07, 2024 at 10:57 PM

TJ

“ John and Tracey Anderson Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr Uleslie Surles.



Tracey Jones - January 07, 2024 at 08:25 PM

LD

“ Mr. SURLES will be missed. I ran into him often and he was always kind and asked how my mother was doing and say hello to her. And always with a smile. I remember him and Ms Lucille as a teen when my family came to Saginaw. My Condolences and Blessings 🙏 to the Surles family. I am the sister of Sonya Surles.



Lenora Dixon Durham - January 07, 2024 at 08:01 PM

MH

“ To the Family of Uleslie Surles. I am saddened. We worked at the shop together. We would always speak. Such a nice person. May the Family find comfort. May God lift him up again. A fellow worker.

Milton Hollins - January 07, 2024 at 09:40 AM

JW

“ Jimmie Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Jimmie Westbrook - January 06, 2024 at 11:33 PM

TT

“ Terry Triplett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Terry Triplett - January 06, 2024 at 11:01 PM

NS

“ Nell Surles, I'm the wife, of the late Tim Surles, I had just seen, Uncle Buddy at sav-a-lot, he was all smiles, sorry for your loss.



Nell Surles - January 06, 2024 at 10:08 PM

DS

“ *The family has my deepest sympathy and prayers. Aunt Lucille and "Uncle Buddie" were just like family and very dear to me. Debra Ann*

Debra Shelton - January 06, 2024 at 04:59 PM

TI

“ *Tina lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Tina - January 06, 2024 at 03:52 PM

TI

*Uncle Lil Buddy
Love u so much
Missing our late night talks.
Love ya*

Tina - January 06, 2024 at 03:54 PM

SS

“ *Sandra Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Sandra Smith - January 06, 2024 at 03:02 PM

MS

“ Praying for the family members of Lil Buddy
God Bless You All.



Marilyn C Sawyer - January 06, 2024 at 03:01 PM

JS

“ Praying for our family during this time of
bereavement. Lil Buddy was our last uncle and
he will be sorely missed. RIH uncle.



Janie Surles-Cork - January 06, 2024 at 11:12 AM

VS

“ Vermell Sangster lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Vermell Sangster - January 06, 2024 at 10:27 AM

TM

“ Toni Mason lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Toni Mason - January 06, 2024 at 12:56 AM

CS

“ Chris Snow-Jernigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Chris Snow-Jernigan - January 05, 2024 at 11:40 PM

BM

“ Barbara McMillan-Hargrow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Barbara McMillan-Hargrow - January 05, 2024 at 11:21 PM

DW

“ Blessings to the Surles and Lawrence families. Tyrone & Dettrea Weston.



Dettrea Weston - January 05, 2024 at 08:37 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles.



January 05, 2024 at 07:09 PM

SP

“ *Shelaine Parrish lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surlis*



Shelaine Parrish - January 05, 2024 at 06:20 PM

PL

“ *My brother, Little Buddy, was once a great farmer. We came from Lownes Co. near Selma alabama. He was a very hard worker. We were all baptised in Sidney Logan,s pool. We migrated to Saginaw Michigan, and lived happy ever after. Sleep well Uleslie. We all loved you.*

Pauline Lawrence - January 05, 2024 at 03:11 PM

LK

“ *Lois Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surlis*



Lois Kelley - January 05, 2024 at 12:21 PM

LK

To The Lawrence and Surlis Families who are a part of all us that lived on 12th and Lapeer and went to Houghton School. My prayers from Lois (Loyce Davis) Kelley, Houston, Texas.

Lois Kelley - January 05, 2024 at 12:24 PM

CP

“ *Chantell Napier - Pittman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Chantell Napier - Pittman - January 05, 2024 at 09:40 AM

CP

Rest in peace. You will be missed.

Chantell Napier - Pittman - January 05, 2024 at 09:41 AM

LW

“ *Rest in peace. Lucy Wilson and Family*



Lucy Wilson - January 05, 2024 at 08:47 AM

RD

“ *Our sincere condolences to the Surles and Lawrence family.*



Ralph & Harriet Douglas - January 05, 2024 at 08:04 AM

CC

“ *The Big Duke, watch it!! Rest easy. The Conerly's.*



Cheryl Conerly - January 05, 2024 at 06:59 AM

KB

“ *KAREN BETTS lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



KAREN BETTS - January 05, 2024 at 03:16 AM

KS

“ *Kathy Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Kathy Shaw - January 04, 2024 at 08:56 PM

JS

“ *John And Shirley Sangster lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



John and Shirley Sangster - January 04, 2024 at 04:39 PM

WB

“ *Walsezetta Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Walsezetta Bennett - January 04, 2024 at 04:02 PM

SP

“ *Shelaine Parrish lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Shelaine Parrish - January 04, 2024 at 12:48 PM

TW

“ *Theotis & Teresa Wilcoxon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Theotis & Teresa Wilcoxon - January 04, 2024 at 11:10 AM

BW

“ *Ben Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Ben Williams - January 04, 2024 at 05:58 AM

LM

“ *Larry Martin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Larry Martin - January 03, 2024 at 06:56 PM

LJ

“ *Leon Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Leon Jackson - January 03, 2024 at 06:51 PM

LV

“ *Linda McClain Veasley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Linda McClain Veasley - January 02, 2024 at 11:34 PM

RL

“ *Rochelle Liddell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Rochelle Liddell - January 02, 2024 at 10:00 PM

CS

“ Chris Snow-Jernigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Chris Snow-Jernigan - January 02, 2024 at 08:12 PM

CW

“ Carolyn WicksWicker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Carolyn WicksWicker - January 02, 2024 at 07:12 PM

BC

“ Billy And Karen Cork lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Billy and Karen Cork - January 02, 2024 at 06:36 PM

BM

“ Barbara McGhee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Barbara McGhee - January 02, 2024 at 06:34 PM

GB

“ *Gwen White Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Gwen White Bowman - January 02, 2024 at 05:45 PM

KM

“ *Karen Winchester Murphy sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Karen Winchester Murphy - January 02, 2024 at 04:05 PM

JJ

“ *Joseph Winchester Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Joseph Winchester Jr - January 02, 2024 at 04:03 PM

SD

“ *Stacy L DavisDiggs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Stacy L DavisDiggs - January 02, 2024 at 03:11 PM



“ Lorraine Bond-Riley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Lorraine Bond-Riley - January 02, 2024 at 11:32 AM



“ Barbra Roberson/\$Dallas, Tx lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Barbra Roberson/\$Dallas, Tx - January 02, 2024 at 10:30 AM



“ Sue Surles-McDole sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Sue Surles-McDole - January 02, 2024 at 09:56 AM



“ RIP IM PEACE LIL BUDDY



Mary Lawrence - January 02, 2024 at 07:40 AM

BB

“ *Bertha Bibb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Bertha Bibb - January 02, 2024 at 12:55 AM

DH

“ *Delta Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Delta Hawkins - January 01, 2024 at 10:47 PM

ES

“ *Ethel & Robert Shaheed sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Ethel & Robert Shaheed - January 01, 2024 at 10:03 PM

ES

“ *Ethel And Robert Shaheed lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Ethel and Robert Shaheed - January 01, 2024 at 09:56 PM

DA

“ *Dona Austin-Bigby lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Dona Austin-Bigby - January 01, 2024 at 09:21 PM

RL

“ *Rochelle Liddell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Rochelle Liddell - January 01, 2024 at 08:22 PM

DM

“ *Deacon Charles And Dale Mitchner sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Deacon Charles and Dale Mitchner - January 01, 2024 at 05:56 PM

KH

“ *Kunitha Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Kunitha Hicks - January 01, 2024 at 01:35 PM



“ *Joanie Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Joanie Williams - January 01, 2024 at 01:14 PM

DT

“ *Drayne S. Terry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Drayne S. Terry - January 01, 2024 at 10:21 AM

AZ

“ *Prayers and condolences to the entire Surles family.*

Albert & Frances Ham Zackrie - January 01, 2024 at 02:59 AM



“ *My condolences to the Surles and Lawrence family.*



Debra Dillard - January 01, 2024 at 01:22 AM

CM

“Charlotte McMillan-Harper lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Charlotte McMillan-Harper - December 31, 2023 at 07:47 PM

CP

“Carrie Polk lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Carrie Polk - December 31, 2023 at 03:24 PM

BJ

“Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Brenda Jones - December 31, 2023 at 03:09 PM

EE

“Eugene Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Eugene Evans - December 31, 2023 at 01:38 PM

VS

“ *Vermell Sangster lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Vermell Sangster - December 31, 2023 at 12:14 PM

WB

“ *Walsezetta Bennett sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Walsezetta Bennett - December 31, 2023 at 11:28 AM

LW

“ *Louis Weems lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Louis Weems - December 30, 2023 at 10:48 PM

SS

“ *Shawn Surles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Shawn Surles - December 30, 2023 at 10:01 PM

RB

“ Condolences to the family we had some great times and many laughs in the family. You will never be forgotten. Kiss the rest of family for me. I really miss them all.much love

Raecille brooks - December 30, 2023 at 09:12 PM

BB

“ Belinda Barlow-Poole lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



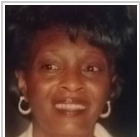
Belinda Barlow-Poole - December 30, 2023 at 06:32 PM

DM

“ Deborah Morris-Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Deborah Morris-Williams - December 30, 2023 at 03:05 PM



“ Elizabeth Hudspeth lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Elizabeth Hudspeth - December 30, 2023 at 02:05 PM

ML

“ Margie Baty Lawrence sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Margie Baty Lawrence - December 30, 2023 at 01:52 PM

ML

Prayers goes out to the family so sorry for your loss 🙏

Marsha Lee - December 30, 2023 at 04:14 PM

SH

“ Sincere condolences and prayers to the Lawrence and Surles families.



Stephanie Hall - December 30, 2023 at 08:49 AM

KJ

“ Marcia: May God be with you and the family, keeping you close to each other, in love and peace. I love you, sister-cousin.

KimberlyFay Jackson-Woodley - December 29, 2023 at 11:48 PM

KJ

“ KimberlyFay Jackson-Woodley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



KimberlyFay Jackson-Woodley - December 29, 2023 at 11:44 PM

BM

“ *Barbara McGhee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Barbara McGhee - December 29, 2023 at 10:00 PM

GL

“ *Uncle Lil Buddy, the last of our Surles uncles will truly be missed. Rest in peace.*

Glen, one of your many nieces

Glendorah Lawrence - December 29, 2023 at 09:04 PM

L(

“ *Latricia Terrell-Strother (Wonnie) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Latricia Terrell-Strother (Wonnie) - December 29, 2023 at 08:32 PM

VF

“ *Valerie Foster sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles*



Valerie Foster - December 29, 2023 at 06:19 PM

VF

“ Valerie Foster sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Valerie Foster - December 29, 2023 at 06:18 PM

LK

“ Larry Kemp sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Uleslie "Little Buddy" Surles



Larry Kemp - December 29, 2023 at 05:47 PM