



Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley

May 8, 1973 - March 1, 2018

Valena Renee was born May 8, 1973 in Saginaw, Michigan the daughter of Leanna Brown and Issacc McKinley. She passed away on Thursday, March 1, 2018 at the age of 44 years.

Ms. Tinsley loved being with her kids and grandkids, spending time with her family and she enjoyed cooking and going out to eat. She was known for having a beautiful smile.

Valena leaves to cherish her memory, four daughters and three sons, Valencia Monique, Andre John, Alexis Christina, Sydney Ashlee-Anne, Ariel Simone, Christian Andrew and Jovohn Terrell Tinsley; eight grandchildren, Damaria Valena- Renee Nance, Nanyah Monae Tinsley, Te'Airris Jerrell Williams, Arielle Simone Anderson, Antaniya An'Geleah Hicks, Jayden James Tinsley, Andry'onna Tinsley and Legend Elaine Hicks; parents, Leanna Brown and Isaac McKinley; three sisters, Tena (Edward) Beamon, Irene (Larry) McKinley and Serena (Nate) Giles; brothers, Isaac (Yolanda) Blackmon, Isaac McKinley, Jr.; aunts, Leola Gochett, Tina (Otis) McGee, and Christine Blackmon; uncles, Tim (Christine) Cross, Sr., Herman Blackmon, JC Blackmon, Percy and John Gochett; father-in-law, James Tinsley; fiancé, Freddie Lee Martin; 12 nieces; 11 nephews, a host of cousins and friends.

Ms. Tinsley was preceded in death by her grandmothers, Jewel Blackmon and Lela Brown; two brothers, Anthony Allen and Arthur Adams; great-nephew,

Deion Blackmon and mother-in-law, Cleotha Tinsley; two uncles, Louis Blackmon and James McKinley.

Funeral service will take place 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, MI 48607. Pastor Genevieve Benson will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 South Washington Avenue, Saginaw, MI 48601. Friends may call at the funeral home on Sunday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue
Saginaw, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley



Browne's Mortuary - March 16, 2018 at 04:04 PM

TB

The tribute was so BEAUTIFUL! I haven't seen those pictures in years. Thank you so much Ms. Judy for contributing some of the pictures. They brought back a lot of wonderful memories. It was good to see pictures of everyone. I was really glad to see pictures of my dad. Renee look so BEAUTIFUL in all the pictures. She always was BEAUTIFUL!

Tena Beamon - March 16, 2018 at 07:58 PM



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley



Browne's Mortuary - March 12, 2018 at 08:40 AM

TB

I'm so thankful for the webcast of my sister's funeral. I wasn't able to attend because of circumstances that were out of my control. Thank GOD I was able to watch it, and I was very touched by everything that everyone shared. I loved my lil sister and I will miss her terribly. I know she's finally at peace with the Lord.

Tena Beamon - March 12, 2018 at 08:57 PM

SG

miss you tena

Serena Giles - March 16, 2018 at 08:45 AM

HW

I am devastated. I've been looking for my classmate for awhile now only to learn that she passed on. My heart breaks at this news. RIP my dear friend Rene

Huni Wilson - February 03, 2021 at 07:50 PM

JA

She is my grandma

Jayden - June 14, 2024 at 01:34 AM

VT

I miss you mommy!!!!

Valencia Tinsley - February 05, 2025 at 10:14 PM

NA

“ *dang granny its really been seven long years without you .love nariyah*

nariyah - November 13, 2024 at 01:32 PM

SG

“ *Serena Giles lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Serena Giles - March 16, 2018 at 08:44 AM

JM

“ *Send my condolences and prayers to this family pray God will strengthen and comfort you all during this difficult time.*



jeannie castell Morris - March 13, 2018 at 05:45 PM

 David Freeman

“ *I'd like to send my condolences to the family of cousin Renee. She was a very loving, sweet hearted person that I loved very much. She will be missed!*



David Freeman - March 12, 2018 at 08:55 PM

TB

Thank you cousin!

Tena Beamon - March 12, 2018 at 09:57 PM

 David Freemar

You are very welcome. Love you!

David Freeman - March 13, 2018 at 12:09 AM

TB

Love you too!

Tena Beamon - March 13, 2018 at 12:29 PM

SO

“ *LeAnn I am sooo sorry to hear of the passing of your daughter I pray that all is well with you and just remember that God makes no mistakes and just cherish the time that you had with your daughter and know that you will see her on the other side....God Bless you*



sonacarruth - March 12, 2018 at 04:16 PM

SO

“ *Sonacarruth lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



sonacarruth - March 12, 2018 at 04:00 PM

RF

“ *MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO MS. LEANN BROWN AND THE ENTIRE TINSLEY FAMILY. RUDELL FOSTER*



Rudell Foster - March 12, 2018 at 06:46 AM

CB

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you all in Velena's passing. God is able to keep you during these difficult days. You are loved.*

Cousin Bobbie - March 11, 2018 at 11:18 PM

JS

“ *Johnnie Simmons lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Johnnie Simmons - March 11, 2018 at 09:35 PM

TB

Thank you Johnnie, I miss you, and I love you!

Tena Beamon - March 12, 2018 at 09:51 PM

CG

“ *The Goodman and Martin family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Catherine Goodman - March 11, 2018 at 04:18 PM

PS

“ *My deepest sympathy to LeAnna Brown, and Family in your time of sorrow.*

Patricia Steward (SVCC)



Patricia Steward - March 11, 2018 at 03:08 PM



“ *Lawrence Brooks lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Lawrence Brooks - March 10, 2018 at 11:16 AM



“ *Melissa Taylor lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Melissa Taylor - March 09, 2018 at 09:25 AM



“ *Veronica Roby sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Veronica Roby - March 08, 2018 at 11:26 PM



“ *Chris Murray lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Chris Murray - March 08, 2018 at 11:17 PM

TB

Thank you Chris, for everything!

Tena Beamon - March 12, 2018 at 09:52 PM

TB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Tena Beamon - March 08, 2018 at 10:09 PM

TB

Never forgotten!

Tena Beamon - March 08, 2018 at 10:14 PM

BG

My beautiful cousin

Brenda Gochett - March 09, 2018 at 05:20 AM

TB

“ T'Anna Beamon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley



T'Anna Beamon - March 08, 2018 at 10:01 PM

TB

“ *Tena Beamon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Tena Beamon - March 08, 2018 at 09:40 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley.*



March 08, 2018 at 09:34 PM

VB

“ *Velissa Batts lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Velissa Batts - March 08, 2018 at 05:45 PM

TB

Thank you! God bless you!

Tena Beamon - March 12, 2018 at 09:56 PM

BG

“ *Brenda Gochett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Brenda Gochett - March 08, 2018 at 10:14 AM

BG

Cousin gone from this side. But I will never forget your living kind spirit. Rest on in the arms of GOD

Brenda Gochett - March 08, 2018 at 10:16 AM

TJ

“ *Tina Jamerson-Mata lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Tina Jamerson-Mata - March 07, 2018 at 04:25 PM

LJ

“ *Lela And Wilson Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Lela and Wilson Jones - March 06, 2018 at 08:10 PM

TB

Thank you so much! God bless you and your family. Love you and miss you

Tena Beamon - March 12, 2018 at 09:53 PM

DM

“ *Diana Miree sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



Diana Miree - March 06, 2018 at 02:59 PM

TG

“ *The Guster's lit a candle in memory of Ms. Valena "Renee" Tinsley*



The Guster's - March 06, 2018 at 07:03 AM

LF

“ My family and I send our most heartfelt condolences to the children, grandchildren, mother and siblings of Renee. I love you all and you are all in our prayers during this tough time. May you hold on to God's unchanging hands during this time and know, He will not put more on us than we can bear, even though times like this may make life feel unbearable at times. Wow Renee, I remember seeing you along with Christian and Javon at Word of Faith and you looked the same as when I seen you years ago. We hugged each other and said we loved one another and I just knew I would see you there again but God had other plans. I am so grateful to God for allowing me to see you in church that Sunday. I love you and you will truly be missed.

Valencia, Andre Jr., Alexis, Sidney, Aerial, Christian & Javon, keep your heads up. I know this is so much for you to bear at this time but please know, I am here for you all if you ever need anything and you are all in my prayers. God will strengthen you during this time, keep the faith and hold on to God's unchanging hands. Hold on to the precious memories you had with your Mom!

Auntie Leanna, I love you. Stay strong and keep the faith. You were there for me when I lost my Dad and know I am here for you. You are amazing and God will strengthen you during this time. Continue to hold on to the precious memories you shared with Renee.

I love you all, stay strong!

Lakisha Freeman-Parker & Family - March 05, 2018 at 10:25 PM



Thanks Cousin that was so Beautiful.

Such Ladiee - March 08, 2018 at 09:10 PM

LF

You are very welcome cousin. I love you all and I am here for you.

Lakisha Freeman-Parker & Family - March 09, 2018 at 11:32 PM

TB

Thank you cousin!

Tena Beamon - March 12, 2018 at 09:55 PM

LF

You're very welcome cousin! I love you!

Lakisha Freeman-Parker & Family - March 14, 2018 at 01:32 PM