



## Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" "Yogi" Payton

October 8, 1986 - June 29, 2020

Ms. Yolaunda Yevett Payton departed this earthly life on Monday, June 29, 2020 at Covenant Medical Center Cardiovascular ICU-3 West at the young age of 33 years, after battling health complications. She was born in Saginaw, Michigan on October 8, 1986 to Rudolph and Brenda Payton, Sr.

She was known as, and affectionately called, "Baby Girl" by her parents. Yolaunda was intelligent, kind-hearted, and had a smile that would light up a room. She had a beautiful, sweet spirit and was an absolute joy to be around. Yolaunda enjoyed spending time with family and friends, as well as, cooking traveling and enjoying a delicious meal at restaurants.

Yolaunda graduated from Buena Vista High School in 2004 as salutatorian. She went on to attend Grand Valley State University to study accounting. Yolaunda had a great work ethic and had a long-standing work history with Kroger and Advance America. Her work ethic and commitment were proven while she was ill, as she often went, to work many days even when she didn't feel good. Yolaunda's perseverance throughout her illness was truly remarkable. She will be remembered for her determination, strong will and her ability to fight for life down to her last days.

To cherish her many precious memories she leaves her loving parents, Rudolph and Brenda Payton, Sr.; two sisters, Rhonda (Willie) Burton,

Lakewood, WA, and Kimdra (Dr. James) Jones, Northville, MI; three brothers, Rudolph Payton, Jr., Saginaw, MI, Aaron Payton, Sr., San Antonio, TX and Delvondre Payton, Grand Prairie, TX; god-grandparent, Enoch Harris; four aunts, Barbara Payton and Blanch Clark both of Clearwater, FL, Gloria Jackson, FL and Lee Ann (Frankie) Calbert, Selmer, TN; six uncles, Allen Payton and Lawrence Payton both of Clearwater, FL, Michael (Donna) Payton, and Jimmy (Linda) Alexander both of Saginaw, MI,, Curtis (Jovett) Hampton, Houston, TX and Lon Hampton, Grand Rapids, MI; four nieces, Kailyn Alexander, Northville, MI, Brooklyn and Kendall Payton both of Saginaw, MI and Alexis Payton, Gaithersburg, MD; five nephews, Devin and Noah Payton, both of Saginaw, MI, Kamal Jones, Northville, MI Aaron Payton, Jr. Gaithersburg, MD and KeyShawn King, Raleigh, NC; a host of cousins, other relatives and friends including special best friend since childhood, Shanelle Tyson, and special friends, Leon Washington, Ashley Johnson and Nikki Rucker.

Yolaunda was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Isaac and Lillie Mae Payton; maternal grandmother, Norma Jean Hampton; god-grandmother, Juanita Harris; maternal great-grandmother, Coriner Phillips; an aunt, LaZaundra Payton and uncle, Leroy Payton.

The family would like to express special thanks, to Covenant Medical Center Cardiovascular ICU-3 West, Dr. James Jones, Pastor Mestisha Castleberry, Min. Tonya Jones, Evans & Browne's Funeral Home and all supportive family and friends.

Visitation will take place from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2020, at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Ave., Saginaw, MI 48607. Ms. Payton will be taken to Smith-Youngs Funeral Home, Inc., 1005 Howard Street, Clearwater, FL 33756

(727) 442-2388

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 7. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



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**Browne's Mortuary** - July 09, 2020 at 04:05 PM



“ Colleen Smith lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



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**Colleen Smith** - July 20, 2020 at 12:50 PM

QF

“ Quiesha Fuller lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



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**Quiesha Fuller** - July 08, 2020 at 10:11 PM

MS

“ Min. Thomas & Helen Speed sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



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**Min. Thomas & Helen Speed** - July 08, 2020 at 02:33 PM

MS

“ Marcus, Quentin & Jackie Sanders sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



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**Marcus, Quentin & Jackie Sanders** - July 07, 2020 at 03:24 PM

BA

“ My sincere condolences to this family. You are continually in my prayers. I knew Yogi from the Kroger in Bridgeport. I would jokingly greet her as “Boss Lady”. She would smile and continue to perform her task with excellence. Always courteous, always pleasant. Rest In Peace I miss you 🙏

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**Bishop Dempsey Allen** - July 07, 2020 at 01:43 PM



“ 39 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Browne's Mortuary** - July 07, 2020 at 12:58 PM

LH

*Uncle ROCKY thinks Rudolph Payton Sr his lovely wife Brenda and all of it beautiful children makes me proud to be an American I love you rest in peace baby girl Rocky*

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**Lon Hampton** - July 07, 2020 at 02:07 PM

MB

“ *Yolaunda's helpful and giving nature and the quietly effective way in which she participated in the National Honor Society of BVHS will always be remembered. My sincere condolences to the family. May God embrace you in comfort during this difficult time. May the loving memories of Yolaunda that you will forever hold in your hearts sustain you.*

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**Marilyn Benn** - July 07, 2020 at 12:08 PM

MB

“ Marilyn Benn lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



Marilyn Benn - July 07, 2020 at 11:56 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton.



July 07, 2020 at 10:14 AM

MJ

“ Marcella Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



Marcella Jones - July 07, 2020 at 10:00 AM

DL

“ Rest in Heaven  
Beautiful young lady with a beautiful heart.



Debra Lane - July 07, 2020 at 09:55 AM

JF

“ Jackie Sanders & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



Jackie Sanders & Family - July 07, 2020 at 09:04 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton.



July 07, 2020 at 08:34 AM

CE

“ This doesn't seem real Yolaunda. You were always so sweet to me. My condolences to the family during this time of grief.

Ce'Aira - July 07, 2020 at 01:34 AM



“ Colleen Smith lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



Colleen Smith - July 06, 2020 at 07:48 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton.



July 06, 2020 at 06:20 PM



“ Yolaunda was always my efficient helper at BV. She had the sweetest smile and was always willing to help when I needed her. My sincere condolences to the family. May the Lord's loving promises to comfort you give you strength as you walk through this difficult time.



Patricia Hennings - July 06, 2020 at 01:42 PM



Yolanda was a special friend to my daughter Shanelle Tyson as well to me, may happy memories carry you through this sorrowful time.

Inez Tyson - July 06, 2020 at 07:32 PM



“ April Hubbert lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



April Hubbert - July 05, 2020 at 10:20 PM



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July 05, 2020 at 10:02 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton.*



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July 05, 2020 at 08:56 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton.*



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July 04, 2020 at 11:15 PM



“ *Trina Jackson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton*



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**Trina Jackson** - July 04, 2020 at 10:19 PM

KE

“ Rhonda and the Payton Family, please accept our sincere condolences. Yolaunda was such a sweet person. If there is anything we can do, please do not hesitate to call. You all are in our prayers. May God keep and guide you during this time of tremendous sorrow. Del, Syb and Keisha



Keisha - July 04, 2020 at 08:13 PM

RD

“ I had the pleasure of getting to know Yolaunda at BV High School. She was quiet, but her smile was infectious and lit up the entire room. She was so sweet and kind. My prayer is that God comforts her family and gives them peace during this time. Rest peacefully in Heaven, Yolaunda.



Rementa Doyle - July 04, 2020 at 05:25 PM

TJ

“ Trina Jackson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



Trina Jackson - July 04, 2020 at 12:19 AM

LR

“ *Lowana Ruth lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton*



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**Lowana Ruth** - July 03, 2020 at 04:23 PM

HF

“ *Harris Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton*



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**Harris Family** - July 03, 2020 at 02:36 PM

SF

“ *Shantel Harris & Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton*



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**Shantel Harris & Family** - July 03, 2020 at 02:34 PM

SA

“ *I'm deeply sorry your family is experiencing the pain of a loss like this. My heart goes out to each of you.*”

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**Satarie** - July 03, 2020 at 02:34 PM

SA

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Satarie - July 03, 2020 at 02:33 PM

JB

“ Rest in peace cousin, love you

Johnny brown - July 03, 2020 at 09:06 AM

JA

“ Rudy, Brenda, and the entire Payton Family, our hearts was saddened when we heard of Yolaunda's passing. May the God of all comfort strengthen your family during your time of bereavement. We are keeping your family in our prayers. We love y'all. Greg and JJ Akins.



JJ Akins - July 01, 2020 at 06:01 PM

TA

“ I remember meeting Yogi back when our dads worked at Delphi in BV. Such a sweetheart and definitely had a great personality. She'll definitely be missed. Sending prayers and condolences to the family and friends. 💙💙



Tremonisha Akins - July 01, 2020 at 05:46 PM

MB

“ My deepest condolences to the Payton family, Yolaunda was such a sweet, gently and quite soul. I had the please of working with her at Advance America, Yolaunda was such a hard worker, caring 2 jobs, as every one knew her from Kroger's in Bridgeport. Yolaunda will truly be missed. RIH Yolaunda



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**Marilyn K Burns-Bowman** - June 29, 2020 at 04:45 PM



“ Tania Moore sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Yolaunda Yevett "Baby Girl" " Yogi" Payton



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**Tania Moore** - June 29, 2020 at 03:50 PM