



Margaret Jean Ratliff

May 12, 1945 - November 14, 2017

Margaret Jean Ratliff, age 72, of New Haven, was called home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, with her family and friends by her side. She was born on May 12, 1945, in Chesterfield, South Carolina to the late Sidney Rivers and Julia B. Rivers.

Jean was the 15th child born out of a total of 19 children. She received her education from the Chesterfield, South Carolina School System and dedicated her life to the Lord and was baptized at a very early age. Jean relocated to Michigan in the early 1970's and made New Haven her home.

Thereafter, she was employed with Key Plastics until the time she retired. Jean always kept things real and was known as the "General" in her family. Folks that knew her always wanted to love on her. She loved cooking for her family and most importantly she loved her children, grandchildren and her son-in-law, Louis. She lived a very simple life and sacrificed all that she had for her children and grandchildren. There is NO doubt that they all were her whole world and the apple of her eye. Life will never be the same, but we trust and believe God's word. She received her wings and now she can fly like an angel.

Jean was preceded in death by 14 brothers and sisters. She leaves to cherish her loving memory, 3 daughters, Karen, Sandra and Nicole (Louis Brown), 4 grandchildren, DeMarco, Darius, Jawuan and her only granddaughter, Sydney. In addition, she also leaves in her loving memory, 4 brothers and sisters, Maxie (Savalia) Rivers of Port Huron, Diane (James) Hines of

Charlotte, North Carolina, Julia Abner of Mt. Clemens and Charles (Shirley) Rivers of Chesterfield. A very special family friend and longtime neighbor, Edwina Johnson along with a host of nieces and nephews, who all loved her dearly.

From her children, grandchildren, and her son-in-law – Moma, we know without a doubt that you loved us all unconditionally. We thank you so much for loving us and sacrificing everything you had for us. Rest in Heaven dear Moma, for your grace, love and mercy has been more than sufficient. We will meet you near the “Sea of Glass” near the throne of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, someday. Until then, we will carry on the legacy you left for all of us.

Funeral services will be 12:00pm Monday, November 20, 2017, in the Jowett Funeral Home, 57737 Gratiot Avenue, New Haven. Reverend Arthur Turner of Greater New Hope Missionary Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will take place in Centennial Cemetery.

Visiting hours will be Sunday, from 2:00pm to 8:00pm and Monday, from 11:00am until the time of services at 12:00pm in the funeral home.

To view the obituary and share memories, please visit www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **19**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - New Haven
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New Haven, MI 48048
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Visitation

NOV **20**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

SH

“ I did not know Ms Gene had passed away. I will never forget the times she visited Charlotte and the phone calls we shared when I moved to moved to Michigan years ago. She was just a wonderful person and I feel so honored and blessed to have met her. My Condolences to the entire Ratliff Family.

Steven Howie

Steven Howie - May 11, 2020 at 10:49 AM

GI

“ To Margaret's family,
She was such a beautiful person. I had the pleasure of having some long talks with her while she was hospitalized. She loved her family deeply and spoke of it often. This Thanksgiving I will be thinking differently of collard greens and sweet potato pie. She told me that was her favorites besides being with family on the holiday. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Gina(respiratory care)

gina - November 20, 2017 at 11:56 PM

CA

“ To the Ratliff family and loved ones , the Dozier family extends our most sincere sympathies at this Your time of bereavement. We are praying for your strength both now and in the days to come. May the good memories bring you comfort and joy , and in each other you find support when needed the most. Cherish her legacy and live to honor her as you seek the Lord in your lives. Lovingly and Prayerfully,
Camille Dozier Summers. 🙏

Camille - November 20, 2017 at 04:38 AM

TN

“ Nicole- My deepest sympathies to you and your family!

Traci Van Nort - November 17, 2017 at 10:50 PM

LM

“ Lisa Mae lit a candle in memory of Margaret Jean Ratliff



lisa mae - November 17, 2017 at 09:54 PM

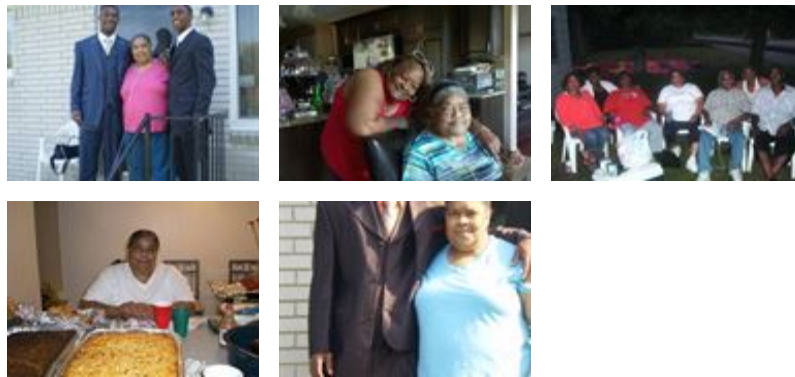
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WE will miss you aunt gene and to my cousins, Sandra, nicky, karen and Grandkids yall be strong for each other and know that God does not make no mistake. I want to say I love yall and will continue to pray that God will give yall the strenght to endure this test. love you guys and be bless

lisa mae - November 17, 2017 at 09:58 PM



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Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - November 17, 2017 at 11:46 AM

AJ

“ *My sympathy goes out to the family during this time of sorrow. I will continue to pray for your strength and comfort. I love you all very much.*

*With Care,
Angelica Jowers & family*

Angelica Jowers - November 17, 2017 at 09:13 AM