



Toleeto P. "Toe" Rivers

August 14, 1950 - March 4, 2016

Toleeto P. Rivers (Toe) was peacefully called home to be with the Lord on Friday, March 4, 2016 with her family by her side. She was born on August 14, 1950 to the late Sidney Rivers & Julia B. Rivers. Toe was the youngest daughter of a total of 19 children.

She was educated in the Chesterfield, South Carolina School System and dedicated her life to the Lord and was baptized at an early age. In 1973 she initially made Michigan her home and spent many years working for Ford Motor Company then later returned to North Carolina. Thereafter, Toe was a loving caregiver to many of her siblings. The Lord saw fit to relocate her back to Michigan in 2006 where she resided with her sister Margaret Jean Ratliff.

Toe never met a stranger and anyone that met her instantly loved her. She had a heart of "gold" with a smile that lit up the room. Toe was a very loving person, she was outgoing and was willing to share any and everything she had with her family and friends. She loved cooking for her family and also enjoyed bringing them together for dinners. She was always the life of the party, and her famous saying was "the party didn't start until she walked in"! She was very passionate and had a "special" relationship with all her nieces and nephews especially her great-niece Sydney Brown. Truly Sydney was her "baby" and also her inspiration! We thank God for the privilege of having her in our lives on borrowed time.

Toleeto was preceded in death by 13 brothers and sisters. She leaves to cherish in her loving memory 5 brothers and sisters; Maxie (Savalia) Rivers of Port Huron, Dianne (James) Hines of Charlotte, North Carolina, Margaret Jean Ratliff of New Haven, Julia Abner of Mt. Clemens and Charles (Shirley) Rivers of Chesterfield, a special friend and "road dog" Edwina Johnson along with her special friend Dave White. She also had a host of nieces & nephews who loved her dearly.

Visitation will be held on Friday 3/11 from 1200 (noon) until 800pm at Jowett Funeral Home - 57737 Gratiot Ave, New Haven and again on Saturday 3/12 from 1100am until the time of the church services at Greater New Hope Missionary Baptist Church.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday 3/12 at 1200pm (noon) at Greater New Hope Missionary Baptist Church - 58527 Delanie St., New Haven, Reverend John L. Mack will officiate. Burial will immediately follow at the Centennial Cemetary in New Haven.

Paulbearers will be: DeMarco Ratliff, Darius Ratliff, Jawuan Doggett, Kyle Rivers, Jay Young Jr. and Jordan Young. Honorary Paulbearers are: Louis Brown, Jay Young Sr., Wayne Phillips, Luther Jeffrey Rogan, Terrence Bingham, Anthony Bittle, Chris Davis, Derek Davis, and Demetrius Davis. Memorial tributes can be made to wishes of the family.

Acknowledgements:

The family of the late Toletto P. Rivers (Toe) wishes to express our sincere appreciation for the many expressions of sympathy and love conveyed during our time of bereavement.

Cemetery Details

Centennial Cemetery

Clark Street
New Haven, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - New Haven
57737 Gratiot Avenue
New Haven, MI 48048
(586) 749-9585
jowettfamily@comcast.net
<https://www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com>

Visitation

MAR 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Greater New Hope Missionary Baptist Church
58527 Delanie Street
New Haven, MI

Funeral Service

MAR 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

Greater New Hope Missionary Baptist Church
58527 Delanie Street
New Haven, MI

Tribute Wall

CG

“ I will forever miss my Toe Toe. You were such a great friend to my grandma Edwina Johnson and you were truly her road dog. I love you so much Toe and you will truly be missed more than words can say. Its sad to know when I come home in a few weeks I wont be running down to Jeans to hug you and tell you to stop smoking but I know you are resting in heaven and watching over us all. I love you and will forever miss you!

Chelsea Griffin - March 12, 2016 at 08:19 AM

VW

“ Every time we met at a family gathering, it was such a joy to see you. Although I didn't know you for a long period of time, it was on those occasions that made it very special. You were so friendly and loving to me. It is rare to see such a beautiful person when you first meet. You made me laugh and you always made me feel welcome. My condolences to your family. Valarie Watkins



Valarie Watkins - March 11, 2016 at 10:40 PM

RA

“ We miss you already! Our family gatherings won't be the same. We love you!



Rachel - March 11, 2016 at 07:32 PM



From the Rivers of Indianapolis, Indiana we send sincere condolences to our family members in Michigan and South Carolina our hearts go out to all of you in this time of bereavement. We wish to extend our prayers and our hands in fellowship and love. May our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ hold, comfort, and bring you peace as He wipes your tears away. The Blessings of God be upon you always.
 Cathy E. Rivers~Porter

Cathy Porter - March 12, 2016 at 09:26 AM

LR

“ Aunt Toe I will miss you so much. You are in a better place

LaTrice Rivers - March 11, 2016 at 11:34 AM

CH

“ Toe you will be missed a lot. Me and Rick will miss seeing you at Meijer shopping. I remember the time me and Sandra took you to a concert and you were having so much fun and you didn't want to leave. You will always be remembered. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family. Love Colleen and Rick

Colleen Harris - March 10, 2016 at 10:53 AM



“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Nicole Ratliff-Brown - March 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *City of Charlotte purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Toleeto P. "Toe" Rivers.*



City of Charlotte - March 09, 2016 at 04:05 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Toleeto P. "Toe" Rivers.*



March 09, 2016 at 10:36 AM

SU

“ *My prayers are with you & your family during this difficult time.*



Sunnie - March 09, 2016 at 10:15 AM

KM

“ *In 1967 you came into my life as a stepmother for my brothers and I. We moved from Va. to daddy's home in St. Louis, Mo. You were always there for us. I enjoyed every moment we shared, facebook, phone, whatever it was great. I'm going to miss you so much. Love you always and forever. To the end that her glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. Give thanks unto thee forever. 🌸*

Kathy McCoin - March 09, 2016 at 08:59 AM

Dee Blizard

“ Dee Blizard lit a candle in memory of Toleeto P. "Toe" Rivers



Dee Blizard - March 08, 2016 at 09:21 PM



“ Dorothy Briggs-parrott lit a candle in memory of Toleeto P. "Toe" Rivers



Dorothy Briggs-parrott - March 08, 2016 at 06:54 PM



RIP TOE

Dorothy Briggs-parrott - March 08, 2016 at 06:55 PM



“ 27 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - March 08, 2016 at 12:06 PM