



## Donette Althea Edwards

September 4, 1955 - January 11, 2025

Please encourage the Edwards (Gray) family with words of Love and Condolence on this personal tribute page created just for Donetta. To send flowers or to plant a tree in memory of: please visit our website.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
24585 Evergreen Rd  
Southfield, MI 48075  
(248) 702-5367  
info@kempfh.com  
<https://www.kempfuneralhome.com>

## Family and Friends Hour

JAN **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Matthew's & St. Joseph's Episcopal Church  
8850 Woodward Av.,  
Detroit, MI 48202

## Celebration of Life

JAN **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Barnett Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donette Althea Edwards.*

**The Barnett Family** - January 25, 2025 at 10:35 AM

TF

“ *The Barnett Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.*



**The Barnett Family** - January 25, 2025 at 10:35 AM

JC

“ *Jasmine Copeland purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.*



**Jasmine Copeland** - January 24, 2025 at 04:36 PM

IE

“ *So sorry for the loss, May she rest in peace. My deepest condolences to the family ❤️. -Islin Ellington*

**Islin Ellington** - January 24, 2025 at 03:20 PM

OG

“ We will truly miss you Donette...your laughing, smiling and the life of any party! Rest in heaven dear one. Love Patrick and Olivette Gordon



Olivette Gordon - January 23, 2025 at 05:51 PM

JF

“ Jerry Powell & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.



Jerry Powell & Family - January 22, 2025 at 05:12 PM

VP

“ To Mr. Albert Edwards and Family,  
You have my deepest sympathy and condolences. God will take care of you.  
Respectfully,  
Valorie Page

valorie page - January 22, 2025 at 11:17 AM

JW

“ June Bass & Lynda Welch planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donette Althea Edwards.

June Bass & Lynda Welch - January 21, 2025 at 04:27 PM

T(

“ My prayers and love to Donette's family for your loss. I'll remember her smile and energetic joy. She always brought a smile to my face and laughter. Dee will truly be missed. 💜

Trateesha (Red) - January 21, 2025 at 09:20 AM

JJ

“ Jason and Sheila Jackson purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.



Jason and Sheila Jackson - January 20, 2025 at 10:40 PM

JS

“ Janice, Indira, and Briana Samuels purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.



Janice, Indira, and Briana Samuels - January 20, 2025 at 02:15 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donette Althea Edwards.

January 20, 2025 at 06:45 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.*



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January 20, 2025 at 06:45 AM



“ *The Rennalls Family from Linstead, St Catherine and across the diaspora sends out heartfelt condolences to Donette's husband... Children... Siblings... her entire family and circle of friends. She often referred to our late Mom as her Surrogate Mother as she fell under her sphere of influence while attending high school. She visited often with my parents (both now deceased) whenever she went home to Jamaica and to me she was like a big sister who encouraged and supported at all times. May her dearly departed soul Rest in Peace and Light Perpetual shine on her forever. 🙏🙏🙏*

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**Tanya Rennalls** - January 18, 2025 at 04:37 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.*



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January 17, 2025 at 06:21 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donette Althea Edwards.*

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January 17, 2025 at 06:21 PM

EG

“ Words cannot describe the loss I felt on hearing about D’s passing.

*Though it has been more than 50 years since I last saw her or spoke with her; nevertheless, she has etched a place in my heart that now causes me to wish I had sought her and maintained a relationship.*

*Our Long Road community was knitted tightly together; and as a young person, she served as a role model when she passed her examination, an accomplishment we as kids were all aiming for. She definitely paved the way for many of us.*

*Looking at her picture even now, with the same smile, poise and grace she displayed back then, has really left an indelible mark on my heart.*

*Many are reeling from this loss as her passing has left us with a certainty and acknowledgement of how fleeting this life of ours is.*

*Donette will be deeply missed by everyone.*

*My deepest condolences to her entire family, friends and loved ones.*

*May God bless you all and give you peace during this difficult time, and may her soul rest in eternal peace.*

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**Elaine Green** - January 17, 2025 at 12:43 PM

MB

“ Always the fashionista, Donnette, I will miss you fluttering around the altar at church, making sure the right cloths were out, the crosses covered at the appropriate time, the flowers arranged beautifully, the Pentecost dove ready, and the priest’s investments cleaned and pressed. Then you’re down at coffee hour helping to make sure everyone gets a light snack or sometimes a full meal! Always hosting and participating in church activities. And you sure knew how to throw your own party at your home! Your passing was so unexpected and we are the same age. I am still trying to wrap my head around the thought that I will never see you again. I will continue to pray for your family, my friend.

Marsha Brown - January 17, 2025 at 08:45 AM

WF

“ With love the Brohl family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.



With love the Brohl family - January 16, 2025 at 06:23 PM

MM

“ My prayers and love go out to the family I’m at a total lost for words but I send my love and condolences she was an amazing beautiful and sweet and loving woman that will be missed by so many ppl my family included 🌸🌸



Marcellus Moore - January 15, 2025 at 10:03 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donette Althea Edwards.

January 14, 2025 at 10:51 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donette Althea Edwards.



January 14, 2025 at 10:51 AM



“ Viewing  
Location: Kemp Funeral Home  
24585 Evergreen Rd  
Southfield, MI 48075  
When: On Friday, January 24th from 4 -7 PM

Family Hour, Funeral Service, & Repass:  
Location: St Matthews and St Joseph's Episcopal Church  
8850 Woodward Ave  
Detroit, MI 48202  
When: Saturday, January 25th  
Family Hour: 10 a.m.  
Mass/Service: 11 a.m.

Ann-Marie Hines - January 14, 2025 at 12:26 AM

JD

*Deepest, deepest condolences to the family of Dee. Such beautiful soul. May you rest in eternal peace with the Lord and may God comfort the family as they go through this difficult and painful time . Love always and rest well Dee.*

Joan Dockery - January 24, 2025 at 12:28 PM

AH

“ *My Dear Mother!! I love you and will miss you!  
My heart is broken!! Love always Ann-Marie*



Ann-Marie Hines - January 13, 2025 at 10:35 PM

SH

*“Lady Dee!” The epitome of a “Lady”! Always kind. Self-less. Considerate. Patient. Loving. Supportive. Dedicated. While hearts are broken we are forever thankful for you and your presence in our lives. You supported us in our times of need and we are forever grateful. Heaven has added a beautiful flower to its garden. May you rest peacefully in the arms of the Most High. Love today, tomorrow and forever! Stacey, Darryl and Blake Jackson*

Stacey Hickman-Jackson - January 14, 2025 at 09:17 AM

AP

*I moved from Michigan in 2006 and throughout the passing years Donette and I stayed in touch. We always called one another on our birthdays. Between birthday calls, we shared news about vacations, grandkids and the St. Matthew's & St. Joseph's Church family. She was a treasured friend - Donette, I will miss you!*

*Andrea Powell  
Rockville, MD*

Andrea Powell - January 17, 2025 at 12:06 PM