



## James Garfield Boykin

July 21, 1928 - October 23, 2024

Please encourage the Boykin family with words of Love and Condolences on this personal tribute page created just for James. To send flowers or to plant a tree in memory of James Garfield Boykin, please visit our online sympathy store.

# Cemetery Details

## Grand Lawn Cemetery

23501 Grand River Avenue  
Detroit, MI 48219

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
24585 Evergreen Rd  
Southfield, MI 48075  
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## Family and Friends Gathering

NOV 2. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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## Military Honors

NOV 2. 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

NOV 2. 10:15 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Livestreamed Funeral Service in memory of James Garfield Boykin*



**Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services** - November 02, 2024 at 10:03 AM

KB

“ *Doug, Sharon, Jamaal and Bryant, Uncle Garfield you will truly be missed by our family. You will never be forgotten.*

**Kirk Douglas Boykin** - November 02, 2024 at 11:34 AM

KL

“ *Dear Uncle James, May you rest in peace. He was such a pleasant and kind person. He always called and supported me in the care of his sister my mom. Your kindness will never be forgotten. Love your niece. Kecha L. Lee*

**Kecha L Lee** - November 01, 2024 at 12:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Garfield Boykin.*



October 31, 2024 at 11:13 PM

PS

“ Praise The Lord! & Blessings to The Boykin Family, We are So Sorry about The Passing of Your Loved One James Boykin. He was So Dedicated to God and to Mt. Calvary A.M.E. Church as A Officer, Choir Member and Sunday School Superintendent. And he wasn't Scared to try New Things, As he Acted & Participated in One of My Plays. So Get Some Rest Mr. Boykin, for there is Nothing that Needs Your Handy Work in Heaven. May God Keep You All, & Hold You Like No Nobody Can. Be Blessed.

Love,

Brother Edwin & Pastor Deborah Satterwhite

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Pastor Deborah and Edwin Satterwhite - October 31, 2024 at 12:03 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Garfield Boykin.



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October 30, 2024 at 04:11 PM

DB

“ Douglas & Boykin purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Garfield Boykin.



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Douglas & Boykin - October 30, 2024 at 03:39 PM

DB

“ Douglas & Boykin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Garfield Boykin.

Douglas & Boykin - October 30, 2024 at 03:39 PM

RP

“ Rita & Sarah Parks purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Garfield Boykin.



Rita & Sarah Parks - October 30, 2024 at 01:30 PM

RP

“ Rita & Sarah Parks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Garfield Boykin.

Rita & Sarah Parks - October 30, 2024 at 01:30 PM

BC

“ Brent and Phyllis Chrite purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Garfield Boykin.



Brent and Phyllis Chrite - October 30, 2024 at 11:26 AM

BC

“ Brent and Phyllis Chrite planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Garfield Boykin.

Brent and Phyllis Chrite - October 30, 2024 at 11:26 AM

DP

“ My Uncle James was a very, loving, kind and caring person. I fondly remember the time Minnie and I visited with him, Aunt Velma, Lin, and Stanley at the Fort Dix Army Base in N.J. where he was stationed. In later years when Curtis and Lori had been born, my mother, brother and I visited with all of them at the Fort Tilden Army Base in N.Y. where Uncle James was the commander. We all spent many enjoyable times with him there as well as at family barbecues, reunions and weddings. Uncle James was a man of great faith, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and family member. We will always hold dear in our hearts the memory of him. Love you Uncle James. Dolores

Dolores Pendergrass - October 29, 2024 at 04:29 PM

JD

“ James Edison, Chris and Danae purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of James Garfield Boykin.



James Edison, Chris and Danae - October 28, 2024 at 01:00 PM

JD

“ James Edison, Chris and Danae planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Garfield Boykin.

James Edison, Chris and Danae - October 28, 2024 at 01:00 PM

EJ

“ Edison and Jacquetta purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Garfield Boykin.



Edison and Jacquetta - October 28, 2024 at 12:14 PM

EJ

“ Edison and Jacquetta planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Garfield Boykin.

Edison and Jacquetta - October 28, 2024 at 12:14 PM

MH

“ Minnie Massenburg and Bernice Hawkins purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of James Garfield Boykin.



Minnie Massenburg and Bernice Hawkins - October 27, 2024 at 07:41 PM

MH

“ *Minnie Massenburg and Bernice Hawkins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Garfield Boykin.*

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**Minnie Massenburg and Bernice Hawkins** - October 27, 2024 at 07:41 PM

CR

“ *My most sincere condolences to the family. Mr. Boykin was a great man of God when I came to Mount Calvary in 1999 he was such a welcoming face always smiling always being about the business of the Lord I love brother Boykin and his loving wife, Velma were a beacon of light, I pray that God will comfort and strengthen you as you adjust to your new normal on what your father has taught you well done and faithful servant take your rest. I know that God's pleased  
evangelist Caron Rice serving of the Lord.*

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**Caron Rice** - October 26, 2024 at 10:39 AM

RA

*Uncle James WAS MY SECOND FATHER.*

*William Lawton Atkins, a dood and decent man, left this earth, when I was only five.*

*My first memory in life was of the kitchen sink.*

*Lin in one sink, being bathed by Aunt Velma, and me right next to them, being bathed by mom.*

*The Boykins were stationed at Fort Dix, New Jersey.*

*WHENEVER I got the chance, WHICH WAS OFTEN, I ALWAYS PESTERED Aunt Velma, to please take me home with her, which she ALWAYS did.*

*Linwood, Stanley, and myself grew up together at Fort Dix.*

*Linwood, Stanley, and myself TORE THE GREAT STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA APART in 1968, visiting the Massenburg farm just outside of Henderson.*

*Linwood, Stanley, Curtis, and Lori, you are all deep within my heart.*

*Always thinking of you,*

*May The Good Lord Bless ALL of us every day of our lives.*

*EVEN MORE WHEN WE ALL GET TO HEAVEN!*

*Uncle James, thank you for everything.*

*Thanks for showing me how to be a man.*

*Thank you for putting up ..... WITH ALL OF US.*

*I won't even mention all the times you came through for all of us.*

*No need to write a book.*

*Tell Aunt Velma and my Mom I miss them and I love them,*

*And thanks for everything.*

*Rest in peace.*

*ALL MY LOVE*

*RON*



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**RON ATKINS** - November 02, 2024 at 03:46 PM