



## Mrs. Margaret Crawford

April 18, 1937 - May 6, 2020

She is a giant in her own right, and we celebrate and honor her in the highest esteemed love and respect.

Margaret Crawford

April 18, 1937 - May 6, 2020

Margaret Crawford was born April 18, 1937, in Pontiac, MI in her grandmother's house on 170 Lake Street. She is the oldest child of Julius M. Ward, Sr. and Eveylena Ward, and the sister of one brother, Julius M Ward, Jr.

Margaret was affectionately called "Josie" by her grandparents and extended family, and she attended Bagley Elementary School in Pontiac, MI. At the age of 7, the family relocated to Detroit, MI, and resided on Ohio Street. Margaret attended Higginbotham Elementary School, where she excelled as a young scholar. Her favorite subjects in school were Science and Music. She wrote for the school newspaper covering school and community events. She enjoyed a close family bond with her aunts, uncles, cousins and with her maternal grandparents, who were a very strong influence in her life. At a young age, she accepted Christ as her personal Savior and was baptized at Wisconsin Ave Church of God, and developed a strong passion for serving in the Church. There were several families on Ohio Street that helped to nurture Margaret's zeal for church, for studying the Bible and helping others. One

beautiful soul, in particular, was Miss Callie, an older woman from the neighborhood, who would often stop by and take Mom to church with her. These early deposits would impact her entire life.

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## Visitation

MAY 12. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Margaret Crawford*

September 27, 2022 at 08:40 PM



“ *Mrs. Margaret Crawford*

September 27, 2022 at 06:52 PM



“ *Dralyssa Hill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margaret Crawford*



**Dralyssa Hill** - October 12, 2021 at 11:18 AM



“ *I miss you everyday. My heart hurts so bad, you really loved me for me. Truly, an Angel.*

**Dralyssa Hill** - October 12, 2021 at 11:17 AM

DC

“ My heart and prayers goes out to all the family. What a wonderful woman of God who impacted the lives in a positive manner, of everyone that she met. She was always teaching us through her words, her love and sometimes even her silence. It is my honor to know that God allowed her in my life. I appreciate the time that I was able to spend with her and Mr. Sam before she made her transition. She said to me, "we have to always see God in everything; not just the good. We don't know what He's trying to tell us". She was ALWAYS teaching and loving. Thank you for sharing her with me. It will always be my distinct honor to have known such a beautiful soul. Thank you and may God continue to bless you tremendously.

*with love, Dorothy Chambers*

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**Dorothy Chambers** - May 22, 2020 at 10:33 PM

DM

“ Margaret was so very kind to my family. She wpuld always free us with love and sweet words. She was a true example of a Christian soldier for her savior Jesus Christ. Heavy door received a wonderful , adored sister . May God bless the Crawford family with support and comfort during this time. Your mom was a blessing for many. Enjoy heaven as you walk the streets of GOLD. Love aunt Debra.

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**Debra Meekins** - May 16, 2020 at 07:56 AM

MC

“ Praying for the Crawford family during this time. God will comfort and keep you. We will see her again in the kingdom.

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**Mr. and Mrs. Broderick Cannon** - May 14, 2020 at 11:47 AM

PW

“ Every time I was in your Mom's presence, she had a way of making you feel comfortable and easy. There was a glow in her eyes whenever she spoke of her family. She was proud because she had done a good job raising her kids. You all loved being around her as much as she love being around you. Ms. Margaret taught you valuable lessons in life that will stay with you forever. Love her, cherish her and never forget her. Find your own special way every year to remember her on a special day with candle, dinner with the family, ending in sharing their favorite memories. I love you Mrs. Sara and I will always remember you giving that book to read when my Gena passed. Thank you for being a wonderful cousin. Stay strong and stay safe!

*Paulette Wright*

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**Paulette Wright** - May 13, 2020 at 07:34 PM

CC

“ A National Treasure! A gift to the nations! A petite woman with a grand constitution. A mighty, Proverbial example full of grace, love and power! She can never be replaced. The impact on our lives...immeasurable! She loved without seeing your flaws. Her Words spoke life. Her hugs brought comfort. She told it like it was, but you always felt her love. She welcomed me in....my husband, my daughter. Her Loving, Queenly demeanor has engraved our hearts and her influence will carry on throughout the ages. If only we could each strive to show this kind of selfless Love. She's with her beloved Gary now...in the arms of Jesus. Thank you for sharing your gift with us Dad, Cheryl, Sam, Sara, Adrienne...I Love you all.

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**Charissa Clarke** - May 13, 2020 at 01:46 PM

CD

“ To the Family, I pray that all of the love and lessons you received from your Mom will forever live in your hearts. She was so special, so loving. I am blessed to have had access to her with the confidence knowing that she was a phone call or visit away. May God comfort you and keep you in perfect peace and love. Please hug Father Crawford for me. With lots of love, Chanel DeGuzman and family.



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**Chanel F. DeGuzman** - May 13, 2020 at 11:15 AM

MB

“ I am always very hesitant to refer to someone as Mother outside of my own mother. Mother Crawford was the epitome of mothers! I was proud to call her mother, and even prouder that she referred to me as her daughter. I know that “Crawford Kids” had to share her with many, but they shared her with grace! She shared her motherhood with so much love and affection that you couldn’t help but feel it! I will always cherish the memory of her dancing up the aisle at church to give her offering. Always smiling, always happy. Before she would put her money in the basket she would say to me “I love you “! I miss her dearly, but I know that she is caring out her motherly duties in heaven along side the Master! Rest in the arms of Jesus!

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**Marietta Bell** - May 13, 2020 at 10:48 AM

YM

“ Prayers of peace & God’s covering to you Adrienne, Terrence & the entire Crawford family.  
Love,  
Kevin & Yolanda Milner



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**Yolanda R. Moore-Milner** - May 13, 2020 at 08:21 AM

SC

*I don't know if this is the right forum to share this but I will do my best. Momma Crawford.....their is barely a time in my early childhood to teenage life that I can remember that momma Crawford and Mr.C. Wasn't apart of. You see Sam jr. and Gary Crawford was the 1st two friends I ever had. I remember the first time I met them (the Crawford's). They came to the back of our land as my parents was showing them the land and the farm. Little did I realized that our lives would be forever intertwined and would build an unbreakable bond that would last a lifetime and at the center of it all was Mom and Pop Crawford. 😊*

*The many adventures we went on and games we played..... I can still here momma Crawford say as I knocked on the door and she'd answer and say.....Sam/Gary Roy's at the door.with that same serous but reassuring smile. Which is to say...,y'all stay out of trouble. 😊 theirs never been a time that I can remember in my childhood that Momma Crawford wasn't helping someone. Educating someone or empowering someone to be greater. She spent her life like Jesus did, serving, helping , and loving others, And all of our lives are the better for it. Go on Momma C. Receive your reward. We will remember the love you gave us and the lessons you've taught us as we continue on this journey we call life.*

Syrroy.

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**Syrroy Cannon** - May 16, 2020 at 12:18 AM

MW

“ *Mark Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margaret Crawford*



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**Mark Williams** - May 13, 2020 at 12:10 AM

MW

“ Mom Crawford had an anointing ability to mirror the love that a gleaming birth mother has for her child when she first lays eyes on a beautiful baby to those that needed that love and support. Time will not allow me to highlight how she help shape my life and thoughts. Her love cascades down to her offspring who exudes the same tenderness. The entire Crawford clan have a gift of opening up their hearts to so many. My memories of her and the family are like highlights in my life that I will forever cherish. She was the real life blue print of a virtuous woman. I will continue to lift the family in prayer as mom rest in heaven with here robe and glorious crown. Love you family

Mark Williams

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Mark Williams - May 13, 2020 at 12:08 AM

RE

“ Mrs Crawford loved all of her children friends she embraced us as if we were her own , the Crawford home was always welcoming , food was always good and laughs were abundant truly a mother to all of EMU Gospel Choir . ❤️ Love to you from the Ellis Family Berwyn , Ronda ,Jordan Cydney and Irelyn

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Ronda Ellis - May 12, 2020 at 11:13 PM

YJ

“ Yolanda L Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margaret Crawford



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Yolanda L Johnson - May 12, 2020 at 09:06 PM

OQ

“ Olivia Alexander Quinn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margaret Crawford



Olivia Alexander Quinn - May 12, 2020 at 07:29 PM

OQ

Margaret Crawford was my friend. She's the only woman I wanted to be like. Her compassion for others and love for people, especially children, was exemplary and admirable. She welcomed our Son, Terrence, into the Crawford world and our entire family. She's irreplaceable and will be eternally loved and missed.

Olivia Alexander Quinn - May 12, 2020 at 07:34 PM

ME

“ What a wonderful lady,I thank God for being able to have her pass through my life. Her heart of kindness daily meant so much.she was a great supporter of our group WORTHY

Minister Berwyn Ellis - May 12, 2020 at 07:21 PM

YJ

“ We could not have loved, respected or admired Mom C more. When we saw her there was ALWAYS a smile, hug and word of encouragement-Pure love and unconditional acceptance. She was the epitome of Christ filled. She lived a life that was to be admired by anyone who met her. And my daughter, Imani, and I were VERY blessed to have had a close relationship with her. I so appreciated how she loved on and cared for my daughter, spending time with her at her home doing grandmother type things with her: prepping food and cooking. ❤️ Thank you to the Crawfords for sharing her with us. We are eternally grateful to have had the opportunity to love her! God bless!! Yolanda and Imani 🌹

Yolanda L Johnson - May 12, 2020 at 05:51 PM

KW

“ Mother Crawford was the epitome of grace, Godliness, beauty and love. The greatest testimony of her beauty and legacy is her awesome children. Thank you Adrienne, Cheryl, Sam and Sara for the light of God that you carry on in all of our lives. You were so blessed to have the type of Mom everyone would have loved to have, and for sharing her with all of us so we did have her. Sending continuous love and prayers during this time of transition. ❤️🙏

Kehli Woodruff - May 12, 2020 at 05:25 PM

CW

“ Mother Crawford was such a wonderful lady. She welcomed everyone with open arms. I always love how she gave out hugs. I'm praying for you all I love you guys loved your mom. I saw them not too long ago at the store and Mr. Crawford said go see mother she's over there in the car. At first she didn't remember who I was and then she turned her head and looked at me and just started smiling. She's a wonderful soul who will be missed.

Connie Watson-Brown - May 12, 2020 at 04:55 PM

CH

“ Mom Crawford's Light of Love was a so bright she gave a little to everyone she met and the more she gave the brighter her light became. Thank you for sharing your Light of Love 💕💕 with us!

Roy & Collette Howard & Family

Collette Howard - May 12, 2020 at 03:59 PM





“ To the entire Crawford family our hearts and prayers are with you at this time. We have lost an angel and heaven has certainly gained one beautiful soul. Mom Crawford certainly lived full and left here empty. She poured out all she had on all of us and we are so much better as people because of it. There was no love from a human comparable to hers, she gave such a special love to so many individuals, and individually as special. My selfish flesh longs to have her touch but my heart is filled with so much of her love that I promise to pass along to others. I can only imagine the celebration when she entered in, I can hear her praising the LORD SAINTS!!!!



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**Carinitha Fisher** - May 12, 2020 at 02:23 PM

ES

“ There are no words to describe how much Mom Crawford meant to me. I will forever cherish her words of encouragement and the times we spent together going to lunch. She gave so much of herself to so many with the love that God placed in her, and I pray that He fills your hearts with His love and spirit on the days when the void is too much to bear. Thank you Crawford family for sharing this virtuous woman of God with us.

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**Emma Smith** - May 12, 2020 at 02:17 PM

SS

“ Mother Margaret Crawford was my foundation class teacher she taught love kindness and the word praise the Lord for Mother Crawford

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**sheila smith** - May 12, 2020 at 02:14 PM

PD

“ Dear Crawford Family,

*Words cannot describe Mom Crawford's beautiful presence and the impact she had on our lives. We are forever grateful for being loved, supported, nurtured by her. We thank God for her. We love you and we will continue to keep you in our prayers.*

*Peace and Blessings  
Pastors Roger and Denese Brown*

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**Pastor Roger & Denese** - May 12, 2020 at 12:49 PM

CV

*My sweet family praying for you guys mom mean so much to me we were together in flint mi at a conference for power we shared our first black president come into office we was rejoicing I'll never forget that mom looked out for my lil robert so funny slip him some money or me to give to him sweetheart I will miss mom*

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**Cheryl Harding ventour** - May 12, 2020 at 02:06 PM

SH

*To the Crawford Family, We would like to thank you all for sharing your mom with us. She was a Phenomenal Woman. Always sweet, loving, and kind. Never had a harsh word about anyone. The love she showed toward mankind was genuine. Mom you are surely going to be missed. Gonna miss those beets.💕💕*

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**Sheila Hill** - May 12, 2020 at 06:46 PM

  
Michele  
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*She was always a great inspiration to all. God let us borrow her and now he as called her back home. I have so many great memories of her and the crawford family. She was so sweet! She's in a better place and I truly will miss her!.*

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**Michele Long-Riley** - May 12, 2020 at 10:06 PM

TB

“ *The Nickleberrys, Wades, and Beales purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.*



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**The Nickleberrys, Wades, and Beales** - May 12, 2020 at 10:28 AM

TB

“ *The Nickleberrys, Wades and Beales purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.*



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**The Nickleberrys, Wades and Beales** - May 12, 2020 at 10:28 AM

DO

“ *I'll never forget the first time I met her. She grabbed my hand with both of hers with a warmth and presence that showed her compassion and strength, and said thank you! She looked me in the eyes and said it again making sure I not only heard her but understood that it came from her heart.*

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**D. Olds** - May 12, 2020 at 08:54 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.*



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May 12, 2020 at 08:49 AM

LF

“ Love, Darrell & Yolanda Williams & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.



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**Love, Darrell & Yolanda Williams & Family** - May 12, 2020 at 08:20 AM

CN

“ Sending heart felt condolences and prayers to the Crawford Family  
❤️🌹 Love,  
Cheronda Nelson-Woodard, Mother Halla M. Krisel & Family

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**Cheronda Nelson-Woodard** - May 11, 2020 at 10:43 PM

JH

“ so sorry to hear of your moms passing, GODbless your family the hunt family.

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**joan hunt** - May 11, 2020 at 10:39 PM

MS

“ The Phillips Smith family send our condolences to the Crawford family. She will certainly be missed 😊



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**Mary F Phillips Smith** - May 11, 2020 at 08:45 PM



“ *May the Lord keep the Crawford Family and comfort you, restoring you all in HIS PEACE. Love Deacon Earl & Deaconess Carolyn Kenner, Faith Tabernacle Worship Ministries.*

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**Carolyn Kenner** - May 11, 2020 at 07:27 PM



“ *I love me some her* ❤️



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**Lavette Adams-Gist** - May 11, 2020 at 03:33 PM



“ *May God keep you in your time of sorrow.*  
*Jan Glover*



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**jan** - May 11, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you family.*  
*May the God of all comfort, comfort your hearts during this time.*

*Pastor & Elder Will Wilder*



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**Gloria E Wilder** - May 11, 2020 at 01:04 PM

EJ

*My condolences to the Crawford family. I will continue to keep the family in prayer. Evangelist Trish Jackson*

Evangelist Trish Jackson - May 12, 2020 at 05:05 AM

GC

“ Gary Chick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margaret Crawford



Gary Chick - May 11, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.



May 11, 2020 at 11:15 AM

MN

“ Missing you mom!! Thanks for always supporting and believing in me.. Thanks for genuinely loving my family!! You are a blessing to so many, even in your legacy!! Rest easy, and know you will always be thought of.. Love you always and forever!!



Marshall Nickleberry - May 11, 2020 at 11:00 AM

RN

“ Margaret was my Sister, friend, Mother to my children and a grandmother to my grandchildren. We shared a special bond and I will forever hold her in my heart. I learned so much from her and not ashamed to say she helped to make me a better person. Praying for all of you because I know how much you loved your Wife and Mother.....Rose and Von

Rosa and Von Nickleberry - May 11, 2020 at 10:39 AM

BT

“ Mother Crawford was a beautiful, loving, giving servant. I'll cherish the memories and miss her dearly.

Each of you are in my thoughts, heart and prayers. Love you all ❤️  
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Benita Threadgill - May 10, 2020 at 10:17 PM

RJ

“ Aunt Margaret loved unconditionally and will be missed by our family.  
Nate Regina Justin & Alexis

Regina Jamerson - May 10, 2020 at 10:03 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.



May 10, 2020 at 10:01 PM

WS

“ With prayers & love, Jonathan & Cheryl Shumake purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.



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**With prayers & love, Jonathan & Cheryl Shumake** - May 10, 2020 at 09:42 PM

ML

“ Grateful for the memories I have but broken for the ones I'll miss. I love you and will always cherish how you treated me like a daughter.



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**Melissa lafferty** - May 10, 2020 at 09:42 PM

ML

“ Melissa Lafferty lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margaret Crawford



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**Melissa lafferty** - May 10, 2020 at 09:40 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.



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May 10, 2020 at 09:15 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.



May 10, 2020 at 09:15 PM



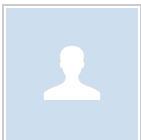
“ I said this on Facebook but I would like to reiterate. Thank you family for sharing Mom C with us. She is the epitome of love and she was like a second mother to me.

**Sylvia Spikes** - May 10, 2020 at 04:09 PM



Mother, I will definitely Miss my Power Pages Partner. She and I always sat by one another and she always told me I was Beautiful and I would tell her she is " Beautiful" inside and out." I Thank God for having the pleasure of meeting such a Wonderful Woman who knew God's word from her Heart ❤️ I Love and will miss you dearly. I'm Praying for you all.

**Wendy Davis** - May 11, 2020 at 11:40 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.



May 10, 2020 at 12:03 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret Crawford.



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May 09, 2020 at 10:40 PM



“ A woman of great magnitude in so many ways but the greatest Of them all was her exuberant love for Christ and His people. You will be greatly missed, Mother.

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**Angela Wimberly** - May 09, 2020 at 10:39 PM



“ Mother Crawford is truly missed already! She’s known me my entire life! She took me on some of the best movie/Wendy’s date nights, Meijer store runs, and we had the best heart to hearts and bonding moments! My favorite memories all involve both my hands being taken into each of hers and Mom Crawford looking me in my face and us telling one another how much we love and care about each other! She ALWAYS made sure I KNEW I was loved by her, with her WHOLE HEART! Although my heart is broken, I rejoice knowing she is in Gods arms now! I love you Crawford family!!! I’m always here for you! “Your Kandice” I will always be here and there with you!!

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**Kandice Wimberly** - May 09, 2020 at 10:19 AM

SG

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Your mother was a special person. ❤️



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**Susan Glazer** - May 08, 2020 at 06:27 AM

RJ

*Mrs. Margaret Crawford was and is a gem today. I am so glad our paths crossed in 1987 through her son Gary. She is truly a "Superstar" in my eyes. She called me her son and she loved my mother. We shared many great talks. We spent time eating lunch together. She made lunch for me and I made pie for her; and for her husband. I am excited for her, because she entered Heaven. I am on that same journey. I am ready now, but I believe God has me here to help more people before I leave earth. So long for now. I will see you when I'm finished here. Love your son. Rev. Joseph O. Jackson*

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**Rev. Joseph O Jackson** - May 18, 2020 at 06:30 AM