



Vance K. Jackson

August 25, 2025

Vance Kevin Jackson, age 64, passed away on August 25, 2025, at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. He was born on February 25, 1961, in Detroit, Michigan, the son of Rochelle B. Jackson and the late Willie James Jackson.

Vance was educated in the Detroit Public Schools and graduated with a high school diploma in 1979. Immediately after graduation, he completed a heavy repair mechanic training program, which led to a position as a bus mechanic with the City of Detroit Department of Transportation. With this job, and just as he promised, Vance was able to marry the love of his life, Christine Skinner, in 1982. From this union came four handsome sons and three beautiful daughters.

Vance loved being a husband and father. He delighted in celebrating birthdays, holidays, family cookouts, playing softball, and traveling with his family. He especially enjoyed taking his children to places that would broaden their perspectives; from city board meetings to art galleries and historic sites such as former slave plantations.

Vance returned to school and earned an associate degree from Wayne County Community College, a bachelor's degree from Marygrove College, and a master's degree from Lawrence Technological University. These

accomplishments paved the way for a new career with the Federal Government.

A firm believer in the power of education, Vance encouraged and guided his wife and children to pursue learning at some of the nation's most prestigious schools and universities, including Bates Academy, Cass Technical High School, Mumford High School, Detroit Country Day School, Wayne County Community College, the University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, Central Michigan University, Wayne State University, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, the University of California–Los Angeles, and Harvard University.

A man of deep faith, Vance served as a minister at Greater Grace Temple in Detroit, assisting in prayers, baptisms, and charitable outreach ministries. Vance was preceded in death by his father, Willie James Jackson; his brothers, Willie Orlando Jackson and Marlon Keith Jackson; and his sister, Ronda Lynn Jackson Whitfield.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 43 years, Christine Jackson; his sons, Vance Jr. (Nina), Mekale (Aisha), Brandon (Antoinette), and Daniel; his daughters, Vanneece, Rochelle, and Christie; and his eight cherished grandchildren, Vance III, Zoë, Kennedy, Kingston, Kruz, Marcel, Gabrielle, and Jonathan. He is also survived by his mother, Rochelle B. Jackson; his sister, Patrice Jackson-Peoples (Jerome); and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends.

During his final days, Vance shared with his wife the powerful words of the Apostle Paul:

2 Timothy 4:7-8

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

Cemetery Details

Elmwood Cemetery

1200 Elmwood Street
Detroit, MI 48207

Previous Events

Family Hour

SEP 5. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services
24585 Evergreen Rd
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

AL

“ Allyson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vance K. Jackson.

Allyson - September 04, 2025 at 06:39 PM

AL

“ Allyson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



Allyson - September 04, 2025 at 06:39 PM

WF

“ White & Mathis Families purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



White & Mathis Families - September 04, 2025 at 03:03 PM

MI

“ Milestone Growth Capital Institute purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



Milestone Growth Capital Institute - September 04, 2025 at 02:27 PM

FS

“ From Momma Sow & The Sow Sisters! purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



From Momma Sow & The Sow Sisters! - September 04, 2025 at 10:27 AM

FT

“ From the Under Armour Social Team purchased the *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



From the Under Armour Social Team - September 04, 2025 at 10:08 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Vance K. Jackson.

September 03, 2025 at 06:58 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



September 03, 2025 at 06:58 PM

NF

“ Nyasha Farrington & Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



Nyasha Farrington & Family - September 03, 2025 at 04:46 PM

PR

“ Pastor Riddle and Lady Riddle purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



Pastor Riddle and Lady Riddle - September 03, 2025 at 04:12 PM

WT

“ Warm Wishes - Kat Burki Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



Warm Wishes - Kat Burki Team - September 02, 2025 at 03:08 PM

WT

“ Warm Wishes - Kat Burki Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vance K. Jackson.

Warm Wishes - Kat Burki Team - September 02, 2025 at 03:08 PM

CF

“ Coffee & Jesus Ladies Bible Grp in FLA purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



Coffee & Jesus Ladies Bible Grp in FLA - September 01, 2025
at 08:59 AM

FJ

“ From Gemini Junior purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



From Gemini Junior - August 31, 2025 at 06:40 PM

JC

“ Jessica C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vance K. Jackson.

Jessica C. - August 30, 2025 at 03:58 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Vance K. Jackson.



August 29, 2025 at 01:01 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Vance K. Jackson.

August 29, 2025 at 01:01 PM