IN LOVING MEMORY

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of our beloved



Nettie J. McDermott

02.17.1959 | 11.22.2025

Toombs by Crystal
Funeral home
4257 Kalamazoo ave
se,
Grand rapids Michigan
49508

11am Family hour

12pm Service

Order of Service

Superintendent Jeffrey Townsend, Officiating

Prelude.....Soft Music

Opening Prayer

Song Selection I

Obituary .....Tyler George

Reflections (2 min)

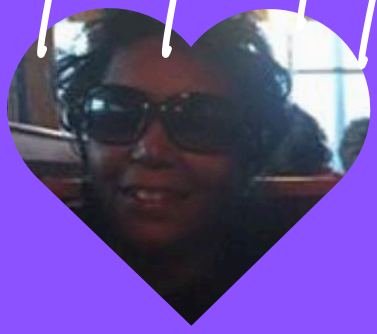
Poem.....Zahnyia Washington

Song Selection II

Eulogy.....Superintendent Jeffery Townsend

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tribute to life



Nettie Jo McDermott, age 66, passed away early Saturday morning, November 22, 2025. She was born February 17, 1959, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. A daughter of late William Trotter and Dorothy Minter. She graduated from Union high school in 1977

Nettie moved to Cleveland, Ohio in 1983 and started her career working in food service, running food stands in various office buildings. This is where she met the late Joseph McDermott and married in 1999 She then took her skills to Marriott reservation center where she worked as a reservationist, and for 24 years, she was a roll model to many blind people to successfully work at the call center.

She spent over 30 years as a dedicated and devoted member of The National Federation

of the blind where she was instrumental in heading fundraisers, attending multiple national conventions, and helping younger people.

Nettie was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph T. McDermott. She is survived by her children Omar Trotter (Jennifer), Deion Wells (Andre), and Lonette George, her 8 grandchildren Zahniya, Tyler, Jailynn, Damaiah, Andrionna, Braylen, Danielle, and Amara, and great granddaughter Kaidence. She is also survived by 5 sisters, Barbara Lee, Deborah Yarbrough, Gloria Thomas , Falicia Trotter, and Pamela Fields. And a host of nieces and nephews.

Nettie will be remembered for her unwavering integrity. She was a very independent, headstrong, matter of fact person, who would tell it like it is no matter what. But to know her was to love her. She was driven by not letting her disability affect her quality of life and very passionate about educating others on navigating through the challenges of having a disability. Her wisdom was a true gift to everyone who knew her.

Nettie's life of legacy



Nettie was a GREAT mother to three children that are devastated to have loss an important role model in their life



She was also an amazing wife and spent 17 years with the love of her life they reunited with each other on the same day 9 years later



A Grandmother only one can ask for is what Nettie was she never told her grandchildren no, she taught them so many life lessons that set them up to never fail in life

Final good byes from family

Thank you for all of the funny and loving memories! Rest in paradise, Granny -Andri

I understand you need to go but it’s okay to go we will be okay we love you so much and know you always will be here with us also we don’t do goodbyes we do see you laters love you gma -Damaiah

I will always love you -Debbie

My too cool granny, my Nettie Jo.....I never thought we would be here so soon but Im grateful to have spent the time we did have together. I hope just one day I can be as resilient as you were, there was nothing or anyone who could stop you from doing whatever it is you wanted to do! I love you and will miss you so much! Until next time my girl!
Your first granddaughter, Zahnyia

My second mother, my super hero , my granny I know God needed you but now who ima call and gossip with or when my momma getting on my nerves lol and don’t be up there in heaven bossing people around now lol I’ll see you later my baby I love you forever and ever- your baby Ty

“ you were the strongest women I know I always told people if my momma who is blind can work I don’t feel sorry for nobody you didn’t let your sight hinder you from nothing because baby you kicked it ! I am going to miss you so much but the real question is no who is going to aggravate me now ?? I love you Nettie McDermott “ -Lonette

I understand you left this world but you didn’t leave none of our hearts. Last time I talked to you, you asked for a red tootsie roll pop so at the funeral I will definitely bring one. Love you soo much and may you rest in peace -Dani

Hey granny thank you for welcoming me in the family with open arm and keeping me in line for Ty and I promise I got your baby down here forever , I love you and I'll save that dance for the next time I'll see you-Jaylon

“ granny im going to miss you so much love your one and only grandson” Braylen Becote

It isn't just losing a loved one that caused my broken heart It's also losing the dreams we had of which you were a part.It's memories so precious that all of a sudden seem few.For when I lost a loved one, i lost a part of me -Pam

Girl, you then left me. Now who I'm gone give a cut to when I hit at the casino.-Deion

Momma,
I'll always love you forever and forever you'll remain in my heart! Until we meet again, I LOVE YOU MORE!-Omar







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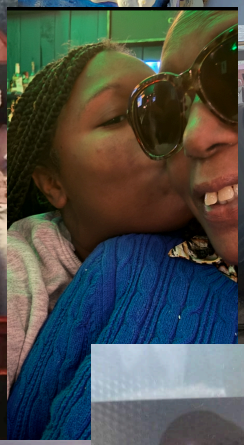




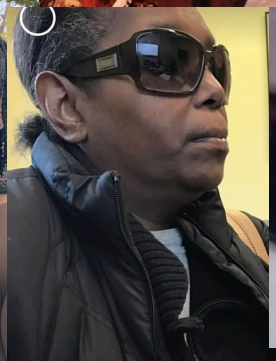










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Special thanks

pallbearers

Omar Trotter
Mario Minter
Randy Trotter
Peyton Minter
Billie Halloway
Ja'Quan Mason-Trotter

The family of Nettie McDermott would like to extend our utmost gratitude and sincere thanks to each one of you for your prayers, your calls, and your thoughts of us during this time. We appreciate all that traveled to get here
to celebrate her as well of those who made
time to come support us thank you and Nettie
Loved you all

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