



Sunrise: January 2, 1976 - Sunset: June 14, 2025

Celebrating the Life of



Pallbearers

Donald R. Wilburn | Donald Williams | Wesley Richardson
Jarvon Howard | Ben Taylor | Terrance Wilburn

Flower Bearers
Friends of the Family

Interment

Forest Lawn Cemetery
3210 South Washington Avenue
Saginaw, Michigan 48601

Acknowledgement

The family of Earl Taylor Jr. wishes to express their sincere gratitude to all of you for your prayers, presence, love, telephone calls, and all other expressions of concern that you have shown during our time of bereavement. Never more than now was your kindness needed and more appreciated.

Mr. Earl Taylor Jr.

Friday, June 27, 2025: 11:00 AM



Paradise Funeral Chapel

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Deacon Douglas Coleman, Officiating

Order of Service

Prelude	Musician
Processional	Family
Scripture Reading Old & New Testament	Deacon Douglas Coleman
Prayer	Minister
Selection	Deliver Me
	By Donald Lawrence & Le'Andria Johnson
Acknowledgements & Obituary	Tanya Howard
Expressions	(Please Limit to 2 Minutes)
	Family & Friends
Selection	Speak to My Heart
	By Donnie McClurkin
Eulogy	Deacon Douglas Coleman
	New Mt. Calvary Baptist Church

Committal | Benediction | Recessional

Footprints in the Sand

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene He noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One belonging to him and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of His life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times of his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it. "LORD you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."

The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you! During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."



Obituary

Mr. Earl Taylor Jr. "Lil Man," was born January 2nd, 1976, in Saginaw, Michigan, to Estelle Wilburn and Earl Taylor Sr. Earl passed away on Saturday, June 14th, 2025, at the age of 49 years.

Earl was a resident of Saginaw, Michigan, where he attended Millet Learning Center. After graduation, Earl attended Community Ties North (CTN), where he enjoyed his weekly activities. Earl loved spending time with his family, watching sports, game shows, and playing with his other sports board games. Earl was a comedian and always made people laugh, no matter what people did. Everybody was always called a "Fool".

Earl leaves to cherish his memory three sisters, Sandra Wilburn of Ohio, Stephanie Wilburn of New York, and Vanessa Taylor of Wisconsin. Two special aunts, Denise Wilburn and Earlene Whitson of Saginaw. A host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Earl was preceded in death by his mother, Estelle Wilburn, and his father, Earl Taylor Sr.

The family would like to express special thanks to Geddes House, Covenant Health Care, and Ivan E. Phillips and the staff of Paradise Funeral Chapel.