



*THE BEST*

God saw you getting tired  
and a cure was not to be.  
So, He put His arms around you  
and whispered, "Come to ME."  
With tearful eyes we watched you  
and saw you pass away.  
Although we loved you dearly,  
we could not make you stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating.  
Hard working hands at rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He only takes the best.  
Your Family

*HONORARY PALLBEARERS*

Michael Hankins | Christopher Crowell | James Bibb  
Johnny Ray | Lorenzo Ovalle | Tremayne Champion

*FLOWER BEARERS*

Family & Friends

*ACKNOWLEDGEMENT*

The family 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.

*THE FAMILY OF DAVID HUNT*



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*Celebrating The Extraordinary Life  
Of*

*David Lawrence Hunt*

*Labor: September 18, 1964      Reward: July 2, 2025*

***CELEBRATION OF LIFE***

***2:00 p.m. - Monday, July 14, 2025***

***Paradise Funeral Chapel***

***3100 South Washington Ave.~ Saginaw, Michigan 48601***

***Pastor Benjamin Smith, Officiating***

***Purple Pain***



# Order of Service

Prelude .....	Musician
Processional .....	Family
Scripture Reading .....	Old & New Testament .....Minister
Prayer .....	Pastor Lafayette Simpson
Selection .....	Sharrie Williams-Crawford
Acknowledgements & Obituary .....	Lorrane Dorsey
Expressions .....	(Please Limit to 2 Minutes) ..... Family & Friends
Selection .....	Sharrie Williams-Crawford
Eulogy .....	Pastor Benjamin Smith

Gethsamene Baptist Church - Bay City, Michigan  
Committal | Benediction | Recessional



### THE CHAIN

We knew little that morning,  
God was going to call your name.  
In life we loved you dearly,  
In death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you,  
You did not go alone,  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.

You left us beautiful memories,  
Your love is still our guide  
And though we cannot see you,  
You are always by our side.

Our family chain is broken  
And nothing seems the same  
But as God calls us one by one  
The chain will link again.

# David Lawrence Hunt

David Lawrence Hunt was born on September 18, 1964, in Saginaw, Michigan, to Gladys Neal and Dwight Smith. On Wednesday, July 2, 2025, he passed away peacefully at home, leaving behind a legacy of love, purpose, and passion at the remarkable age of 60.

David attended Saginaw Public Schools and had a dynamic career, working in various industries throughout his life. Despite facing health challenges, he remained resilient and continued to live life with intention and enthusiasm.

As a devout Christian, David's regular worship at Old Town Christian Outreach nurtured his compassionate spirit. His selfless nature and generosity inspired those around him, fostering a ripple effect of kindness. With a passion for music, David's love for Prince's iconic song 'Purple Rain' symbolized his zest for life, celebrating the transformative power of art.

David's presence had a profound impact on those who knew him, and he cherished his relationships with family and friends. His life's journey is beautifully encapsulated in the scripture verse, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:" -2 Timothy 4:7 KJV. Through life's challenges, David remained steadfast in his faith, always wearing his signature smile.

He is survived by his loving children who were his pride and joy, sons, David Knapp, Breeontay Hunt, Antonio Torrez and daughter, Shawneequea Sampson; step-father, Leander Lewis; his loving fiancé, Nieves Hernandez; grandson, Jaylin Hogg; great-grandchildren, Jaylin Hogg, Jr. and Alofa Hogg; sister, Tamikka (Tremayne Champion) Lewis; a host of nieces and nephews including a special bond with Shania Lewis and R'ion Champion, whom he gave the nickname, Ladybug; aunts, Yvette Smith and Phyllis Lowe; uncles, John Hunt, Reginald Smith and Lydell (Judy) Smith; the mother of his sons and former wife, Stacy Knapp; a host of cousins and friends that was dear to his heart that are too numerous to name.

David was preceded in death by his mother, Gladys Neal (whom transitioned December 13, 2024); grandparents, Booker T. and Alfreda Hunt, and Edna Smith; sister, Ebony Vickers; and several other relatives.

The family extends heartfelt gratitude to the Hernandez Family, medical professionals who provided exceptional care, Pastor Benjamin Smith, Ivan E. Phillips, and the staff of Paradise Funeral Chapel for their unwavering support and compassion.

