



Rev. Richard Lee Grimmatt

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Rev. Richard Lee Grimmatt, age 80, passed away on Thursday, September 14, 2023 in Grand Rapids, Michigan at Butterworth Hospital. He was born in Muskegon, Michigan on July 9, 1943 to Mearl and Lillie Mae (Jones) Grimmatt. Richard was a veteran of the United States Air Force and served in the Vietnam War. On July 9, 1977, Richard married the love of his life, the former Thelma Moore, in Muskegon and she preceded him in death in 2014. Richard was employed as a crane operator by Sappi Fine Paper before an accident caused him to take medical retirement in 1984. He then attended Moody Bible Institute and Jimmy Swaggart Seminary College where he obtained two associate degrees and Calvin University where he received his Bachelor of Theology. He served for many years as the associate minister for Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church. In 2000, Richard received a heart transplant at the Cleveland Clinic, and exceeded the life expectancy by two terms. This was a gift that he, and his family, were eternally grateful for. He was an avid fisherman and collector of theology books. He also left over 500 hand-written sermons, a way in which his legacy can continue. Richard is survived by his children: Tamara (Derrick) Dozier, Lakisha Harris, Destinie Grimmatt, Amber (David) Harris, Doneqwa Grimmatt, Lenia Grimmatt, Bernadette Ramsey, Tina (Clayton) Kellum, Demetrius Grimmatt, Alvin Grimmatt, Jodeci Grimmatt, Jeffery Wallace, and Kenneth Wallace; godchildren, Tishley Harris, Leonah Traylor, and Addie Donley; 27 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Betty (Phillip) Smith and Doris Edwards. In addition to his wife, Thelma, he was preceded in death by his parents, Mearl and Lillie Mae Grimmatt; son, Richard L. Grimmatt Jr., and brother, Lloyd Wayne Grimmatt. SERVICES will be held at 12:00 PM Friday, September 22, 2023 at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church (1964 Russell Rd., Muskegon, MI 49445). VISITATION with his family will be one hour prior to his service at church. You may sign his online guestbook at www.sytsemafh.com Arrangements by The Lee Chapel



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of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 6291 S. Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444.



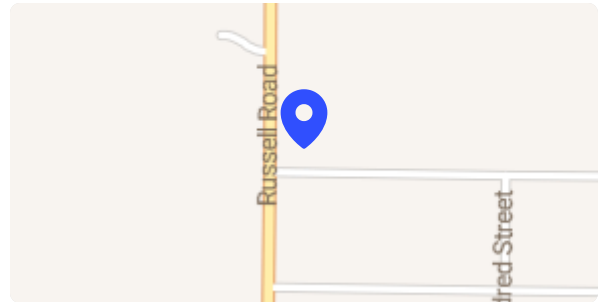
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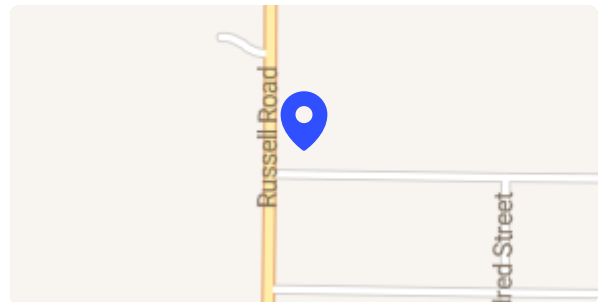
Visitation

- Friday**, September 22, 2023
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church**
1964 Russell Road, Muskegon MI 49445



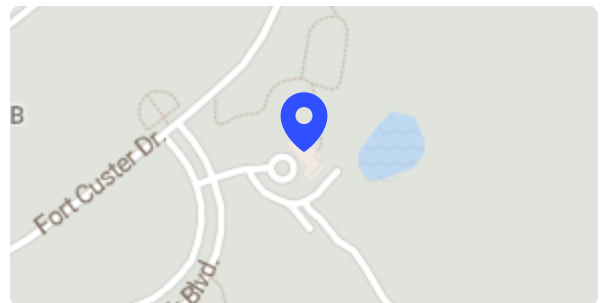
Funeral Service

- Friday**, September 22, 2023
- 12:00 PM ET
- Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church**
1964 Russell Road, Muskegon MI 49445



Cemetery Details

- Fort Custer National Cemetery**
15501 Dickman Road, Augusta MI 49012





Tribute Wall

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Jennifer Rinard posted:

He was one of my favorite members at the credit union! He will be missed!

September 26 at 3:08 PM



Venus Nichols lit a candle in honor of Richard.

Betty, and Family, Sending condolences and prayers to you at this difficult time! May God's amazing grace and blessings give you comfort and peace. Your Memories will help heal the loss of your loved one.

September 21 at 11:34 AM



Anonymous sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Grimmert family.

September 19 at 11:47 AM



Delores Davis posted:

Grimmett, Grimm Williams, Dozier, Harris family, Rachel Shirley and myself send condolences to you all in the passing of your father & brother-in-law Richard. May the Lord God comfort you in your time of sorrow, & give you peace. Davis & Wallace family.

September 18 at 7:53 AM



Jethro Gay lit a candle in honor of Richard.

September 18 at 4:07 AM



Shirley Burt September 22 at 6:53 AM

He was the nicest person ever always had a smile on his face



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GW

Geneva Williams lit a candle in honor of Richard.

September 16 at 6:23 PM



ME

Minnie Edge posted:

Betty: I am so sorry for your loss. My condolences to you and your family. Minnie Edge

September 16 at 4:15 PM

RH

Retha Mae Hoskin lit a candle in honor of Richard.

September 16 at 1:26 PM



GP

Gloria Jackson Pulliams lit a candle in honor of Richard.

September 16 at 9:38 AM



JG

Jerry & Maesha Gilbert lit a candle in honor of Richard.

Betty Smith sending our condolences in the passing of your brother.

September 16 at 6:36 AM



WT

Wilma Thomas lit a candle in honor of Richard.

September 16 at 4:27 AM





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Christina Massey lit a candle in honor of Richard.
Sending My Thoughts and Prayers To The Family.



September 16 at 1:12 AM



Fay Hildreth September 16 at 4:56 AM
Sorry for your loss 🙏🙏.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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