

# In Loving Memory

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Sunrise: June 30, 1956   Sunset: February 17, 2026

Service; February 28, 2026   Family Hour 11:00 AM  
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*“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.”*  
*Psalm 23:1*

# Order of Service

Service program

Organ .....

Processional .....

Scripture Reading .....

Prayer .....

Musical Selection .....

Acknowledgement and condolences ..... Iyonna Thompkins

Obituary Reading ..... Djuana King

Remarks ..... Family and Friends

Musical Selection .....

Eulogy .....

Recessional .....

Organ Prelude .....

## Psalm 23:1-4

“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil, for you are with me.”

# Obituary

A life remembered with love

Damon Myron Gardner was born on June 30, 1956 in Detroit, Michigan, to the late Byron and Minnie Gardner. He was the seventh of eight children. He had four siblings that preceded him in death, two sisters, Ollie B. Gardner-Boyd and Linda Lamar Gardner and two brothers Arvin and Garrick Juan Gardner. Damon grew up in the 12th Street Area of Detroit. He attended the DPS school systems.

Damon loved old school musical groups like the Temptations. He also loved to sing. Damon, his brother, Marvin and close friend Keith (William Collins) started a group called, The Ultimate Ovations in the 1970's. They recorded several records. They also performed locally and at venues across the nation, bringing a sense of ultimate ovation to those that heard them perform.

Damon often reminisced about his musical career. He was known to listen to the Ultimate Ovation music while sitting in his room or driving in his car. Damon was an avid spectator of sports. He especially loved football and The Detroit Lions. Damon worshiped with the I AM church community. He met and married Cheryl Brooks, while attending church.

Damon was dedicated to his family. He showed a special type of love for them all. He loved to visit his siblings and get on their last nerves. He was known as the "Debator". He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and great nephews and nieces. He'd take them to the neighborhood stores, park and church. Damon became a second father to his great-niece Jammes Jones.

“ *Damon was dedicated to his family and known affectionately as “The Debator”* ”

On February 17, 2026, the Lord decided that our beloved, Damon, earthly duties were complete. He now rests in the Arms of The Lord.

## To cherish his memory he leaves:

**His wife:** Cheryl Gardner

**Children:** Damon Brown (Annette) and Tameka Jenkins

**Grandchildren:** Daejhanel Brown-Mitchell, Elijah Brown, Devonte Reid, Demar Reid, Joseph McGee

**Two brothers:** Boyd (Kathy) Gardner, and Marvin Gardner

**Two sisters:** Roxie Gardner and Elana Horn

**Special great-niece:** Jammes Jones

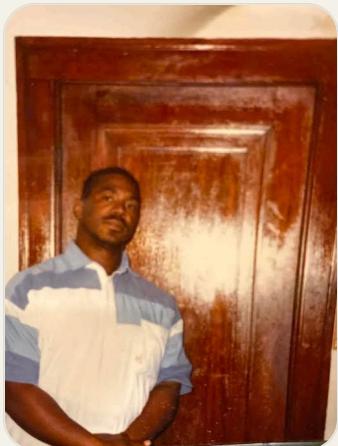
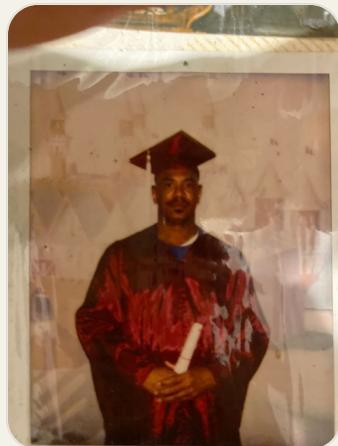
**Special great-great-grandniece/nephews:** Rashad Regular, Riley Regular and Rakyah Harris

**An uncle:** John Kincaid

**And a host of** nephews, nieces, cousins and friends

# Photo Memories

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# Remarks

Messages from family and loved ones

Hey Dad,

From your baby girl... I'm going to miss the beautiful memories we shared more than words can say. Thank you for every hug, every laugh, and every moment you gave me. I carry your love with me every single day. I'm trying to stay strong for myself and for your grandsons, but this has truly broken my heart.

Until we meet again, Daddy...

Love you always,  
Your baby girl, Temeka

— Temeka

A gentle soul, now at rest,  
A grandfather, simply the best.  
Your love embraced us, kept us strong,  
In our hearts, you still belong.  
Though you have left us, we know it's true,  
We will always have memories of you.

*Love — Rashad, Riley & Rakyah*

Though you are gone, you're never far,  
You're in the moonlight, you're in the stars.  
I feel your presence in the breeze,  
And hear your voice among the trees.  
Thank you for the love you gave,  
A precious memory I will save.

— Love Jammes

In love and memory of my brother Damon Gardner. Once Damon found out that I had Parkinson's disease and was now bed bound, he stepped in and helped me as much as he could. My Brother came over three or four times a week to spend time with me -no matter what the weather. We would be talking about the good old days and even if he couldn't come over, he would always call me. It didnt matter what time of the day it would be. I'm going to miss those calls, but I'll always remember the biggest thing, My Brother Damon wouldn't leave or end our calls without saying "Brother Boyd I will always love you!" So Brother Damon, Rest in Peace and I will always carry that love that you always showed me, deep in my heart. - Your big Brother Boyd, K Gardner and sister-in-law -Kathy Gardner.

— Boyd (K) Gardner & Kathy Gardner

To my brother Damon, I will always love you and carry our memories in my heart. I'm sad that you had to go so soon, but God needed you more.

I love you. Kiss my daughter Rockell for me and our siblings too, until we meet again.

Your big sister -Roxie

— Roxie

# Homegoing Service

In honor of Damon Myron Gardner

## PALLBEARERS

◆ Robert Thompkins

◆ Elijah Brown

◆ Dernard Eiland

◆ Stephen Williams

◆ Marvin Gardner

◆ Jaques McGee

## FLOWER BEARERS Family & Friends



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