



## John E. Derden

July 4, 1944 - April 11, 2020

John Eddie “Joe” Derden, passed away at the age of 75 in his home on Saturday, April 11, 2020. John was born on July 4, 1944 to the union of Earl Derden and Hazle (Oliver) Derden in Grenada, MS.

John, affectionately known as Joe by his family and friends, relocated from Grenada where he and his brother Robert lived in Chicago for a few years before settling down in Toledo, Ohio.

Joe retired from Ford Motor Company after working for thirty –five years, he worked in many capacities at Ford but retired as an Inspector.

Joe loved to fish and you could often find him on what he called the Sandy Beaches of Swan Creek. He really enjoyed having his family and friends over for the Derden’s backyard BBQs and Fish Fry’s. Joe had a love for music and dance. You could always find him on the dance floor kicking out his right foot and swinging his left arm to the music. He also had some of the most clever saying such as “Keep a Level and Steady Head” or calling his great nephews little weedy whoppers and more.

Joe was preceded in death by his Father, Earl Derden; Mother, Hazle Derden; Brothers, Walter Derden, Robert Earl Derden and Maloid Derden; Sister, Dorothy Ann Derden and Grandson Joshua Willis.

He leaves to cherish his memory sons, Joey Derden and Armond Wright; daughters, Connie "Latanza" Derden, Christy Freeloove and Daphne Derden Willis; sister, Barbara Ann Derden and his many grandchildren. He also leaves to cherish his memory special nieces and nephews, Vyrelle Derden Winfree, Monica Derden Brown, Jeff Myers and Robert Derden Jr, in addition to his goddaughter Derry Reynolds, special friends Margaret and Pam and other nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Visitation will be Sunday, April 19, 2020 from 2-4:00 p.m. with funeral service to follow at 4:00 p.m. Dale-Riggs Funeral Home Chapel, Rev. Roger Carson officiant, interment Forest Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

**Forest Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

APR 19. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

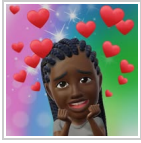
Dale-Riggs Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
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### Service

APR 19. 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Miss you joe always God bless* ”



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**Carmen Fisher** - April 22, 2020 at 07:36 PM

SS

“ *Sammy Smith lit a candle in memory of John E. Derden* ”



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**Sammy Smith** - April 21, 2020 at 12:37 PM

MW

“ *Michelle Wright lit a candle in memory of John E. Derden* ”



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**Michelle Wright** - April 19, 2020 at 03:43 PM

SG

“ *SHARON GRAHAM lit a candle in memory of John E. Derden* ”



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**SHARON GRAHAM** - April 19, 2020 at 12:09 AM

WI

“ WILLIAM lit a candle in memory of John E. Derden



WILLIAM - April 18, 2020 at 10:57 AM

LS

“ Lester Stephens purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John E. Derden.



Lester Stephens - April 18, 2020 at 10:41 AM

DH

“ Derden Holly lit a candle in memory of John E. Derden



Derden Holly - April 17, 2020 at 11:41 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John E. Derden.



April 17, 2020 at 01:47 AM

GJ

“ *May your heart find comfort knowing that your love one is at home with the Lord*  
*Love Gwendolyn E.March Jones & Family*

Gwendolyn E.March Jones - April 16, 2020 at 07:58 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John E. Derden.*



April 16, 2020 at 06:46 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John E. Derden.*



April 16, 2020 at 02:24 PM

MS

“ *Condolences and prayers. He had a cabbage flower that my Mom loved and he shared it with her. She enjoyed them so much. RIP.*

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter Sr. - April 16, 2020 at 01:41 PM

FM

“ *My condolences to the Family of John Joe Derden my God bless and keep you. Praying for the Family.*

Faye Mack - April 16, 2020 at 11:53 AM

KA

“ *Praise the Lord Family,  
I'm so sorry to hear of Joe's passing. He would always take time  
and talk to my husband and I at family picnics. We will miss him.  
Family we are praying for you . Love Cousin Min. Kara Awls*

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**Kara Awls** - April 15, 2020 at 09:22 PM

GL

“ *John Eddie Derden Family*

*Our Prayers are going up to Heaven for your strength in "The Loss  
of our  
Beloved cousin Joe. May God's Love Strengthen you and keep you.*

*From Pastors Kedron, cousin Gladys Lee Legree  
And All The Family. "Send Our Love.!"*

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**Gladys Legree** - April 15, 2020 at 05:18 PM