



Mr. Darnell Pollard

April 8, 1949 - July 27, 2020

Mr. Darnell Pollard, 71, of Peoria, IL passed away at 8:21 am, Monday, July 27, 2020 at his residence surrounded by his family.

Darnell was born on April 8, 1949 in Scott, MS to Vera Pollard and E.B. Faulkner. He was a 1967 graduate of Peoria Manual High School. He married Alice Whitelow on April 10, 1970 and recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Darnell worked at Caterpillar for over 41 years. He was an avid Chicago Bears Fan and had a passion for new Cadillacs. He was an avid bowler. His first 300 score marked three generations of the Pollard Family reaching the elite 300 score. The Pollard family is the only Black Family and the second family ever to hold this elite title in the Tri-City Area.

Darnell leaves to cherish his most precious memories his loving and devoted wife, Alice Pollard of Peoria, IL; his son, Vincent (Patricia) Pollard, Sr. of Peoria, IL; two daughters, Marcina (William King) Pollard of Aurora, CO and Darna Gillespie of Seattle, WA; his mother, Vera Lee Green of Chicago, IL and step-mother, Lillie Faulkner of Peoria, IL; five brothers, Alvin Faulkner, Larry Hill, Levi Green, Michael Green and Steve Green all of Chicago, IL; five sisters, Frances Pollard of Hawthorne, CA, Sandy Faulkner of Peoria, IL, Christina Green, Caroline Johnson and Ann Green all of Chicago, IL; nine grandchildren, two of whom he raised, Lattice Baker and Vincent Pollard, Jr. of Peoria, IL; a host of great grandchildren and a host of other family and friends. He is preceded in death by his father, E.B. Faulkner, his parents who raised

him, Barney and Daisy Willies, one brother, Arthur Pollard and two sisters. A private funeral service will be held at 11 am on Saturday, August 8, 2020 at New Morning Star M.B. Church with a visitation one-hour prior at 10 am. The host Pastor Cleveland Thomas, Sr. Rev. Dr. Patrick Pollard, Pastor of New Bethel M.B. Church, will officiate.

The funeral service will be live-streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly at the time of the service. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing and attendance limits will be observed.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

As the States begin re-opening in response to the Global Coronavirus Pandemic, some people are returning to their previous normal living standards. Unfortunately, we are now in our new normal as unreal and sometimes uncomfortable as the socially distancing and continuous use of protective masks may feel. *In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them). Thanks in advance for your cooperation! *It is our responsibility as a Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible. The sanctuary can socially distance and seat a limit of 50 or less people. All others will be able to flow through and view prior to beginning the Celebration of Life Ceremony.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church
413 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Avenue
Peoria, IL 61605

Funeral Service

AUG 8. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church
413 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Avenue
Peoria, IL 61605

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard*



Simons Mortuary - August 07, 2020 at 07:41 PM



“ *Mr. Darnell Pollard*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Darnell Pollard*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *To my ALWAYS friend Alice:
Alice, you and your family have my sincere
condolences..Love you, Doretha*



Doretha Jamison - August 08, 2020 at 05:02 PM

CA

“ *Cindy Adams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard*



Cindy Adams - August 07, 2020 at 07:03 PM

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“ *Cindy Adams (Cousin) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard*



Cindy Adams (Cousin) - August 07, 2020 at 07:01 PM



“ *Ellen Bradley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard*



Ellen Bradley - August 07, 2020 at 08:25 AM

CW

“ *Catherine Randle Watson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard*



Catherine Randle Watson - August 06, 2020 at 05:59 AM

RW

“ *Richard And Theresa Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard*



Richard and Theresa Walker - August 04, 2020 at 10:09 PM

JH

“ *JOYCE KENNEDY HOWARD lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard*



JOYCE KENNEDY HOWARD - August 04, 2020 at 08:10 PM

LF

“ *LEOLA RANDLE JEFFERSON FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard*



LEOLA RANDLE JEFFERSON FAMILY - August 04, 2020 at 05:27 PM

CM

“ *With our Deepest Sympathy
May this sorrowful time allow you to reflect upon all the joy that you once shared with your departed love one. We are praying for you and the entire Pollard family. May God Bless each of you.*

David & Cora Mackey

Cora Mackey - August 04, 2020 at 11:35 AM

RF

“ Ronald Furness lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard



Ronald Furness - August 04, 2020 at 07:20 AM

DF

“ We would like to send our condolences to the family and let you know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. May the peace of GOD continue to strengthen and keep you always under HIS almighty wings.
Love Mrs. Deunie (Brian) Faulkner & family



Deunie Faulkner(Brian Faulkner) - August 03, 2020 at 09:09 PM

KP

“ Kay Gillesie Piersawl lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard



Kay Gillesie Piersawl - August 02, 2020 at 12:49 PM

CW

“ Charles And Sonya Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard



Charles and Sonya Wilson - August 02, 2020 at 12:25 PM

DB

“ Alice, Vince, Marcina. So sorry for your loss. Mr Pollard was know for having a clean ride. I would always tell him when I seen him getting his lottery tickets or on Knoxville @McDonalds with his morning crew. Hold on to the memories I'm sure it's lots of good ones.

Dorothea (Jeremy) Burse - August 01, 2020 at 07:17 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Mr. Darnell Pollard.



August 01, 2020 at 05:29 PM

LD

“ Revelation chapter 22:1-5



larry c dougas - July 31, 2020 at 08:07 PM

FF

“ Frances Pollard-Rose & Family purchased the St rength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. Darnell Pollard.



Frances Pollard-Rose & Family - July 31, 2020 at 06:10 PM

CP

“ Carolyn Parham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard



Carolyn Parham - July 31, 2020 at 05:52 PM

JB

“ Sending Our Love Thoughts Prayers And Hugs To The Family Of Darnell Pollard . So Sorry To Hear Of His Passing. We Have Known Him Since Our Families Lived On 4th Street When His Father Was The Neighborhood Barber. We Also Bowled On Bowling Leagues Together. What A Nice Gentleman He Always Was .He Will Truly Be Missed By All That Knew Him. RIH GBNF From The Pink , Davis and Williams Family....Rhonda, Joanie , Georgia And Icyphine. God Will Wash Away All The Tears Of Sorrow And Give You Peace On Tomorrow. AMEN. 🙏❤️🕊️



Joanie Brown - July 30, 2020 at 11:17 PM

AI

“ Annette Irby lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darnell Pollard



Annette Irby - July 30, 2020 at 09:44 AM

GC

“ Condolences to Darnells family and friends. I've known Darnell since Kindergarten. He has always been a kind soul. He was Cleo's bowling 🎳 partner for several years. He will truly be missed.



Gloria Carter - July 30, 2020 at 08:10 AM

RH

“ Alice and family, I am so sorry to hear of Darnell's passing. My deepest sympathy and prayers for God's comfort and peace to be upon you.
Sincerely, Rayann Hardin

Rayann Hardin - July 30, 2020 at 02:39 AM

SH

Alice and family you have my deepest sympathy may God bless you you had a good life with your husband keep the faith and I'm here if you ever need me love forever

Sharonwilson0329@gmail.com - July 31, 2020 at 07:41 AM

EC

“ Sincere sympathy to the family. Praying God gives you strength during this difficult time



Evelyn Tate Clayton - July 29, 2020 at 06:15 PM