



Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.

September 8, 1942 - August 19, 2025

Columbus Cross, Jr. passed away at the Villas of Beacon Place, Kalamazoo Michigan on August 19, 2025.

Columbus was born to the late Coleman Columbus Cross, Sr. and Beulah Lee Cross on September 8, 1942 in Martin County.

Columbus graduated from East End High School, Robersonville, NC in 1961. On May 5, 1963 he married his high school sweetheart, Verda Andrews Cross.

Columbus soon moved to New York and was employed with New York City Transit for twenty-six years until retiring in 1997. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends. Those who loved him will always remember his smile and laughter. He was kind, loving, and generous.

Columbus was preceded in death by his wife, Verda Andrews Cross; Daughter, Deborah Cross Slocumb; Sisters, Kathleen Cross Purvis, Alice Cross Carr; Brother, Leon Cross.

Columbus leaves to cherish his special memories, two granddaughters, Heather Slocumb Worthem of Kalamazoo, Michigan, Jace (Jessica) Slocumb of Tampa, Florida. Six great-grandchildren; two sisters, Juliette Cross Purvis

of Brooklyn, New York and Rita Cross Riddick of Greenville, North Carolina,
and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Congleton Funeral Home and Cremations
3205 E. 10th Street
Greenville, NC 27858

Tribute Wall



“ View and Download the Funeral Program

Congleton Memorial Mortuary - September 08, 2025 at 10:00 AM

JW

“ James Russell & Karen Wallace lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.



James Russell & Karen Wallace - September 06, 2025 at 10:07 PM

KP

“ Kenneth Purvis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.



Kenneth Purvis - September 06, 2025 at 12:02 PM

JP

“ Juanita Purvis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.



Juanita Purvis - September 06, 2025 at 12:01 PM

BA

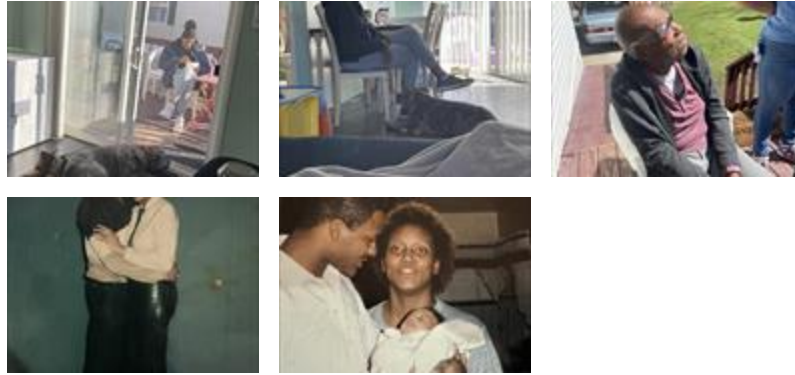
“ *Brenda Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.*



Brenda Anderson - September 06, 2025 at 11:12 AM



“ *20 files added to the tribute wall*



Heather Worthem - September 06, 2025 at 09:46 AM

AP

“ *Alton And Linda Powell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.*



Alton and Linda Powell - September 06, 2025 at 07:47 AM

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“ Patricia McNeil Modica -McNeil (family) sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.



Patricia McNeil Modica -McNeil (family) - September 05, 2025 at 12:47 PM

CS

“ Cecily Sene lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.



Cecily Sene - September 05, 2025 at 12:21 AM

JW

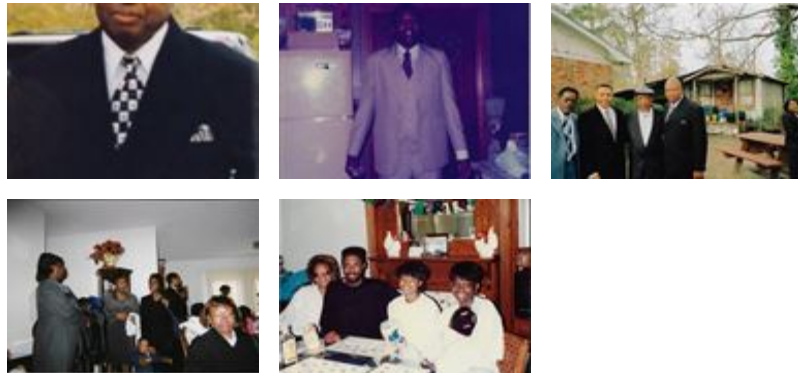
“ James R. & Karen Wallace lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.



James R. & Karen Wallace - September 04, 2025 at 06:30 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Congleton Memorial Mortuary - September 04, 2025 at 03:20 PM

SP

“ Remembering you in prayer. 🙏
Sycamore Hill MB Church Sis.



Sarah G. Pritchard - September 03, 2025 at 04:10 PM

RK

“ Rev. Joyce King lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Columbus Cross Jr.



Rev. Joyce King - September 03, 2025 at 03:33 AM

DN

“ *David And Roberta Nickelson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.*



David and Roberta Nickelson - September 02, 2025 at 09:57 PM

AF

“ *Rita and rest of my cousins my heart goes out to you and the family another sibling but just know God is still with you all. I know it been very heartbreaking but God knows how much you can bear and there for you even when it seems like all hope is gone. Be encouraged family. We love y'all The Powell Family.*



Alton and Linda Powell Family - September 01, 2025 at 01:00 PM

SF

“ *From the Brown family in flint Michigan. We extend our deepest condolences and prayers to his family. He is now united again with his wife. May God grant you all peace and strength.*



Sandra Copeland and family - August 28, 2025 at 03:11 PM

KP

“ *Kay F Peele lit a candle in memory of Mr. Columbus Cross Jr.*



Kay F Peele - August 28, 2025 at 01:46 PM



“ *My Thoughts And Prayers Are With The Family*
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Evangelist Gwen Hudson - August 27, 2025 at 08:57 AM