



Deaconess Lela Mae Koger

September 28, 1932 - March 17, 2020

KOGER, Deaconess Lela Mae - Age 87, passed away Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at McFarlan Home-Flint. Family hour 10:00 AM Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, 4805 N. Saginaw St., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Rev. Dr. Henry L. Fuller Jr., officiating. Interment Gracelawn Community Cemetery, 5710 N. Saginaw St. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Wednesday. Mrs. Koger will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Tuesday, with family present to receive friends from 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

Deaconess Lela Mae Koger began life's journey on September 28, 1932 in Billingsley, Alabama to parents John Sr. and Arlela Motley, the third of thirteen children. Lela and family moved to Flint, Michigan in 1954. She met Deacon Leo Koger at the T.B. Sanitorium while both were patients. They both recovered and were married in August of 1958 at the Mt. Calvary Missionary Church, located on Industrial and McClellan Street. To this union four children were born.

Lela had many jobs, including at GoodWill, Lafayette Nursing Home, K-Mart, JoAnn Fabrics, Crochet Instructor at the Haskell and Hasselbring Senior Citizens Centers. She loved to sew, crochet, bowl and watch the Detroit Pistons and the Detroit Tigers sports teams.

Lela was a dedicated Christian, serving God at Mt. Calvary through several ministries: Church School Teacher, Choir, Nurses and the Deaconess and

Mothers Ministry. There wasn't anything you could ask of her that she would not try to do. Her love for people made her one of God's sweetest angels down here on earth. She was a faithful member of the Royal Star Chapter No. 27, O.E.S. – P.H.A. for sixty years.

Deaconess Lela Mae Koger leaves to cherish loving memories: four children, son, William (Helen) Koger of Grand Blanc, MI; three daughters, Patricia (Raymond) McClinton, Sabrina Koger, all of Flint, and Trina (Anthony) Isaac of Burton, MI; five brothers, Dea. Samuel Motley, Dea. Theoplis (Geraldine) Motley, all of Flint, Benny (Daisy) Motley of Burton, MI, Walter Motley of Clanton, AL and Dennis (Gwenda) Motley of Hopkinsville, KY; four sisters, Annie Jean (Wilbur) Banks of Desoto, TX, Margie Young and Gwendolyn Gibbons, both of Milbrook, AL and Lola Wilson of Clanton, AL; two sisters in-law, Barbara Motley of Flint and Lillie Hayman of Burton, MI; ten grandchildren, Opia Spicer, Laquetta Koger, Venace Koger, William Koger, Jr., Erin and (Karieem) Coppage, Ryan McClinton, Sean McClinton, Blair Koger, Antonio Isaac and Antwone Isaac; seven great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces and nephews, special sisters, Carolyn Spight and Alzora Stokes; a host of other relatives and friends.

Lela was preceded in death by her husband, Dea. Leo Koger; parents, John Sr. and Arlela Motley; three brothers, Charlie, Colonel and Dea. John Motley. The family would like to express special thanks to Erica Thrash-Sal, Kelly Price and the entire staff of McFarlan Home, Brittany, Shar, Sarah, Melinda, and CeCe of Heartland Hospice Care, Pastor Fuller and the Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church family.

*****At Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, we value the safety and health of our customers, staff and the general public. Therefore, we will adhere to EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 2020-11 issued by our Governor Gretchen Whitmer, regarding assemblages in the wake of the unprecedented health challenge our state and nation is facing. The Executive Order is as follows:

Acting under the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, I order the following:

1. Beginning on March 17, 2020 at 9:00 am, and continuing through April 5, 2020 at 5:00 pm, all assemblages of more than 50 people in a single indoor shared space and all events of more than 50 people are prohibited in this state. A single indoor shared space includes but is not limited to a room, hall, cafeteria, auditorium, theater, or gallery. The prohibition on assemblages set forth in this section does not apply to:

The prohibition set forth in this section does not abridge protections guaranteed by the state or federal constitution under these emergency circumstances.

We do understand that this may pose a challenge to you and your family, but our dedicated staff is here to help guide you towards making the best decisions in memorializing your loved one.*****

Cemetery Details

Gracelawn Cemetery

5710 N. Saginaw St.
Flint, MI 48505

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR **24**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-MOON (6666)
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

Family Present

MAR **24**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Family hour

MAR 25. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church
4805 N. Saginaw Street
Flint, MI 48505

Service

MAR 25. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church
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Flint, MI 48505

Tribute Wall



“ *Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Mary Stewart lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Mary Stewart - April 06, 2020 at 09:56 PM



“ *LaJuan Pringle lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



LaJuan Pringle - April 06, 2020 at 01:48 PM



“ *June Smiley Perkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



June Smiley Perkins - April 02, 2020 at 10:45 PM

PO

“ Sending hugs and love to all of you! 🙏



Portia Odom - March 28, 2020 at 08:34 AM

B(

“ Trina and Family, I am continuing to keep you all in my prayers..



Briana Barnett (Bri) - March 24, 2020 at 11:44 PM

SC

“ Sandra Cabine lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Sandra Cabine - March 24, 2020 at 06:13 PM

SL

“ Shirley Luckado-McReynolds lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Shirley Luckado-McReynolds - March 24, 2020 at 09:45 AM

BW

“ Betty Wesley lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Betty Wesley - March 24, 2020 at 01:07 AM

VF

“ A virtual gift was sent in memory of an awesome woman Mrs. Lela Mae Koger. Grief is so hard but special memories will help you cope. She was truly loved by her family and friends.



Violet Warner-Eldridge and Family - March 23, 2020 at 10:29 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger.



March 23, 2020 at 09:34 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger.



March 23, 2020 at 06:03 PM

PP

“ Prayers and condolences to our family. We love you all.



Perry and Marcia Pippins - March 23, 2020 at 01:09 PM

BM

“ Barbara J. Motley lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Barbara j. Motley - March 23, 2020 at 11:28 AM

BM

“ Barbara Motley lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Barbara Motley - March 23, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger.



March 23, 2020 at 10:07 AM

EC

“ *Earl And Diane Crowder lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Earl and Diane Crowder - March 22, 2020 at 07:34 PM

VW

“ *Velma Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Velma Williams - March 22, 2020 at 06:55 AM

PC

“ *Sabrina and Trina, I am praying for you and your family during this difficult time. Patrice Curtis*



Patrice Curtis - March 21, 2020 at 11:35 PM

TD

“ *Tracy Davis lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Tracy Davis - March 21, 2020 at 08:13 PM

LB

“ *Linda And Eddie Booth lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Linda and Eddie Booth - March 21, 2020 at 07:10 PM

LJ

“ *Lydia James lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Lydia James - March 21, 2020 at 06:56 PM

ES

“ *Ellen M. Standoak lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Ellen M. Standoak - March 21, 2020 at 06:54 PM

FS

“ *Faye Starling lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Faye starling - March 21, 2020 at 06:34 PM

LH

“ *PRAYING for the family. GOD IS ALWAYS NEAR TO COMFORT, IN TIMES LIKE THESE.*



Linda hamilton - March 21, 2020 at 04:09 PM

KS

“ *KIMBERLY SNODDY lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



KIMBERLY SNODDY - March 21, 2020 at 02:12 PM

LP

“ *Lynda Pitts lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Lynda Pitts - March 21, 2020 at 12:41 PM

MW

“ *Truly a Woman of God , I have known this family 40 plus years, My condolences and prayers to the family R.I.P Mother Koger your presence will truly be missed on this earth 🙏*



Mr&Mrs Derrek Williams - March 21, 2020 at 09:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger.*



March 21, 2020 at 08:47 AM



“ *My heart goes out to the entire family...for the loss of their Mother. May God comfort and guide you...in everyway possible.* 🙏❤️🙏



Karen Russell-Woods - March 21, 2020 at 07:38 AM



“ *Quentela Bryant lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Quentela Bryant - March 21, 2020 at 07:26 AM



“ *Tony And Rose Dunn lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Tony and Rose Dunn - March 21, 2020 at 07:07 AM

AL

“ Sabrina,
Just wanted to let you know your Flint Academy family C/O 1980
are praying with you and for you, as you mourn the loss of your
beautiful mother. We know how difficult this time can be and we are
thinking of you. Rest assured your mother is safe in his arms.
Angela R. Lenear

Angela R. Lenear - March 21, 2020 at 05:53 AM

RS

We are prayers for you and your family, while God carry you and your
family through this pain and give strength in this time and keep you and
your family in his loving care. Lots of love Dea. Smith and sister Smith,

Richard and mamie Smith - March 21, 2020 at 08:35 PM

MH

“ Ms. Lela will be greatly missed, her quiet
voice and gentle smile will remain in our
hearts. We thank her children for trusting us
with her care and you all will always be apart
of the McFarlan Home Family.



McFarlan Home - March 20, 2020 at 11:33 PM

DC

“ Deborah Carter lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Lela Koger



Deborah Carter - March 20, 2020 at 05:35 PM

SM

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mrs Lela Mae Koger.....may God bless the families !!!*



Shirley A Miller - March 20, 2020 at 04:47 PM

FF

“ *Franklin Family lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Franklin Family - March 20, 2020 at 12:25 PM

GT

“ *I pray that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will keep his arms around the family of Mrs. Lela Koger's and the Motley family during this difficult time .*



Geraldine Turner - March 20, 2020 at 10:31 AM

VS

“ *Valerie C Southall lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Valerie C Southall - March 20, 2020 at 06:16 AM

WH

“ Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of
Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Wanda Harrison - March 20, 2020 at 04:08 AM

MD

“ Michele Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of
Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Michele Davis - March 19, 2020 at 09:55 PM

DG

“ Donna Gallery lit a candle in memory of
Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Donna Gallery - March 19, 2020 at 05:45 PM

CT

“ Connie Taylor lit a candle in memory of
Deaconess Lela Mae Koger



Connie Taylor - March 19, 2020 at 04:40 PM

ES

“ *Edwina Sanders lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Edwina Sanders - March 19, 2020 at 01:01 PM

MF

“ *Mackey-Smith Family lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Mackey-Smith Family - March 19, 2020 at 11:22 AM

DS

“ *Sabrina Trina Trise & Tom I was sad to hear of the passing of Mrs. Koger. My prayers and love are with you at this time and beyond. Mrs. Koger is with JESUS and we are glad to know this. I won't ever forget Mrs. Koger and the question mark. LOL Love you all my extended family. Love you guys..... Deidre Connie Dave and Maya.*



Deidre Spight-Woodson - March 19, 2020 at 06:27 AM



“ *Santa Staples lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Santa Staples - March 18, 2020 at 06:56 PM

HH

“ *Helen Hayman lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Helen Hayman - March 18, 2020 at 05:32 PM

AK

“ *Angelia Koger lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Angelia Koger - March 18, 2020 at 05:31 PM

DH

“ *Darryl Hayman lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Darryl Hayman - March 18, 2020 at 05:31 PM

YG

“ *Yakima Givens lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Yakima Givens - March 18, 2020 at 05:30 PM

SL

“ *Shanea Leeper lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Shanea Leeper - March 18, 2020 at 05:30 PM

AS

“ *Albert Strong lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Albert Strong - March 18, 2020 at 05:29 PM

AH

“ *Archie And Tanya Hayman lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Archie And Tanya Hayman - March 18, 2020 at 05:28 PM

DT

“ *Debbie Taylor lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Debbie Taylor - March 18, 2020 at 05:28 PM

LH

“ *Lee Willie Hayman lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Lee Willie Hayman - March 18, 2020 at 05:27 PM

AK

“ *Anthony Koger lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Anthony Koger - March 18, 2020 at 05:27 PM

LH

“ *Lillie Hayman lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



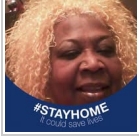
Lillie Hayman - March 18, 2020 at 05:26 PM

SH

“ *Shelia Hayman lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Shelia Hayman - March 18, 2020 at 05:26 PM



“ *My condolences to the family of a beautiful lady. May God keep you lifted up in prayer.*

Dora Daniels - March 18, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ *Dora Daniels lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Dora Daniels - March 18, 2020 at 02:46 PM



“ *Jamille (Eldridge) Richardson lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Jamille (Eldridge) Richardson - March 18, 2020 at 11:58 AM



“ *William , Louise and the Koger/ Motley families, Greg and I extend our sincere condolences to your family. Please know that we are praying for your strength and comfort.*

Gregory and Michelle Brock

Gregory and Michelle Brock - March 18, 2020 at 10:46 AM

GB

“ *Gregory And Michelle Brock lit a candle in memory of Deaconess Lela Mae Koger*



Gregory and Michelle Brock - March 18, 2020 at 10:42 AM