



Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews

February 23, 1938 - October 8, 2020

MATTHEWS, Mrs. Olla Bell - Age 82, passed away Thursday, October 8, 2020 at her residence. Family hour 1:30 PM Saturday, October 17, 2020 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 2:00 PM. Minister Joseph Gaines, officiating. Interment Flint Memorial Park, G-9506 N. Dort Hwy., Mt. Morris, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Chapel 1:30 PM Saturday. Mrs. Matthews will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM Friday.

Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews was born February 23, 1938 in Camden, Arkansas, the daughter of Burley and Azzie Lamar. Olla moved to Flint, Michigan in the 1959 and soon after joined Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church where she served on the Senior Usher Board and later became President. She was a very active member until her health wouldn't allow her to perform active duties anymore. Olla attended school in Camden, AR, after she married her 1st husband and moved to Flint and to this union, 5 children were born, two of which preceded her in death. Years later she married her 2nd husband and to this union, 2 more children were born and 1 preceded her in death. Years later she married Earl Matthews, who also preceded her in death. Olla was a homemaker who loved to cook. My mother would feed anyone, cooking was her first love. She loved working in her flower bed. She used to say "give me my flowers while I live, so that I can see them and smell them." Olla also loved

working in the garden with her best friend, her ex-husband. She loved canning and putting food in the freezer for the winter. My mother's favorite saying was "and the Lord knows." She enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews leaves to cherish her loving family: 2 daughters, Jewel J. Williams of Flint and Bobbie T. (Greg) Gilbert of Sacramento, CA; 2 sons, Lee H. Williams of Flint and Matthew A. (Sharonda) Williams of Columbus, GA; 12 grandchildren, 3 grandchildren of whom she helped to raise, Landry J. Williams, Shante Williams and Dawuan Brown; 31 great-grandchildren; 9 great-great-grandchildren; 2 brothers, Burley (Theresa) Lamar of Saginaw, MI and Lovie (Joyce) Lamar of Flint; 15 nieces including special niece, Bernice Lamar; 9 nephews including special nephew, James Fogle; uncle, Harry (Lois) Thorn of Los Angeles, CA; sister-in-law, Mary Lamar; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, ex-husband and best friend, Bobbie L. Gilbert, Mrs. Mamie Holden, Shirley Stephens (Sitter).

Mrs. Matthews was preceded in death by her 2 former husbands, Henry L. Williams and Earl Matthews; children, Henry L. Williams, Jr., Lovie Williams and Daphne Gilbert; granddaughter, Jaquia Giles; parents, Burley and Azzie Lamar; sisters, Harlean, Artie Bell and Darlene Strickland; brother, Thomas Lamar; numerous aunts and uncles.

The family would like to express special thanks to The Medical Team Hospice, nurses, Kisha and Curt, nurses' aides, Peyonca and Kash.

Cemetery Details

Flint Memorial Park Cemetery

G-9506 N. Dort Hwy.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT **16**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 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 hour

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Service

OCT 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - October 17, 2020 at 08:23 AM



“ *Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Joyce Lamar lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews*



Joyce Lamar - October 17, 2020 at 02:01 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews.*



October 16, 2020 at 11:00 PM

KD

“ *Kathy Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews*



Kathy Davis - October 16, 2020 at 03:48 PM

LP

“ *Louis & Delores Perry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews*



Louis & Delores Perry - October 16, 2020 at 12:20 PM

NB

“ *I love your smile and kisses and hug best one I got thanks grandma perfect granddaughter and great granddaughter moment love you more then you know*



Nikita Brackett - October 16, 2020 at 10:09 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews.*



October 16, 2020 at 08:28 AM

MF

“ Maurice & Jackie Fielder lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews



Maurice & Jackie Fielder - October 15, 2020 at 08:54 PM

FT

“ Fra Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews



Fra Thomas - October 15, 2020 at 08:27 PM

LA

“ LaTanya lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews



LaTanya - October 15, 2020 at 07:09 PM

SS

“ Auntie Olla, you are loved and truly will be missed. I will cherish all the wonderful memories of spending time with you especially when I was growing up. I will never forget you, your love for God and serving in the church, your sense of style, your cooking and your love for our family. May you Rest In Peace. Love you always Auntie. To the rest of my family, may you find comfort in God during this difficult time and going forward.
Love, Sheronica Stirton



Sheronica Stirton - October 15, 2020 at 05:16 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews.



October 14, 2020 at 11:40 AM

MC

“ Our condolences to the family.
Dr. Meriann & Kevin Campbell



Meriann Campbell - October 13, 2020 at 05:04 PM

BT

“ *My condolences to the family.
Mrs. Beatrice Taylor*



Beatrice Taylor - October 13, 2020 at 05:03 PM

HG

“ *Henry C. And Gwendolyn Gaines lit a candle
in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews*



Henry C. and Gwendolyn Gaines - October 12, 2020 at 03:28 PM

CB

“ *Cheryl Corder Brittney and Brooklyn purchased
the A Full Life for the family of Mrs. Olla Bell
Matthews.*



Cheryl Corder Brittney and Brooklyn - October 12, 2020 at
09:53 AM

JH

“ *Condolences and Prayers to the family!*



Judy Harris - October 11, 2020 at 09:20 PM

SS

“ I LOVE YOU AUNTIE OLLA ALWAYS & FOREVER AND I KNOW YOUR SISTER (MY MOM) IS RIGHT THERE WITH YOU 💔💔💔💔
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Sonya Strickland - October 11, 2020 at 08:56 PM

RM

“ My condolences to Bobbie and the family. Praying God will comfort you all as you go through this difficult time.



Rachel Mason - October 11, 2020 at 07:26 PM

MB

“ Mary. Todd Brady lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews



Mary. Todd Brady - October 11, 2020 at 06:57 PM

RG

“ To our family she will be missed but never forgotten we are praying that God keeps strengthen you as you prepare celebrate Auntie life she fought a good fight she kept the faith now she is with our lord and saviour Jesus Christ to the family stay encouraged lean on our savior if it seems like the load is getting to heavy just stand on his word because he is our very help in the time of need we thank God for her life and legacy she will forever be cemented in our minds and hearts

Rev Ira Gilbert - October 10, 2020 at 10:34 AM

LC

“ Bobbie & prayers & comfort for you & your family, may God strengthen your heart & give you peace that passes all understanding. Continue to trust God through it all with his loving arms around you as he will wipe tears from your eyes. Hold on to precious memories of your dear mom. Prayers Continuously!!!



Loria Corder - October 09, 2020 at 11:52 PM

DP

“ Dorothy Parrish sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Olla Bell Matthews



Dorothy Parrish - October 09, 2020 at 09:39 PM