

Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood

March 27, 1933 - March 9, 2021

UNDERWOOD. Deacon Robert C. - Age 87, passed away Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at his residence. Family hour 1:30 PM Wednesday, March 17, 2021 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 2:00 PM. Bishop Robert E. Underwood, officiating. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 1:30 PM Wednesday. Deacon Underwood will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 12:00 PM-6:00 PM Tuesday. Deacon (Sargent) Robert Cleo Underwood was born March 27, 1933 in Demopolis, Alabama to Eugene Underwood and Laura Lawson. Our beloved deacon passed away on March 9, 2021 peacefully at home at the age of 87 years. Deacon Underwood attended U.S. Jones in Demopolis Alabama whereas after high school he was drafted to serve his country in the Korean War. While serving in the was he was seriously wounded twice. He received many honors for his bravery including the Purple Heart. As a longtime resident of Flint, Michigan, he worked for many companies and retired from General Motors. Deacon Underwood became a member of The Morningstar Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Henry Robinson and continued to be devote member of the Male Chorus, Inspirational Chorus, Security Patrol, Church Treasurer and the Trustee Board until his health began to decline. Among his hobbies were spending time with his family and friends, barbecuing, enjoying music and keeping an immaculate lawn. Deacon

Underwood leaves to cherish sweet memories; four children, Jacqueline Adams of Bloomfield Hills, MI, Rosiland (Richard) Sparks-Russell of Hanover Park, Illinois, Bishop Robert E. Underwood of Flint, MI and Minister Eric Underwood of Belvedere, Illinois; grandchildren, Gregory Eric Adams, Anthony (Juanita) Sparks, Allana, Sereeta, David (Ebonie) Jr., Steven Sparks, Eric Alfonsa, Jr., Tiffany, Robert E. Jr., brother -in-law Lawrence Dotson of Warren, Ohio and Latrice Underwood; sister - in – law Lottie McClain; a host of nieces , nephews , other relatives and friends including special nephew and niece Harry Truman (Alice) McClain. Deacon Underwood was preceded in death by his parents Eugene Underwood and Laura Lawson, his of 67 years wife Tommie Lee Underwood; siblings Ann Gueringer, Dr. Julia Borgdon and Gladys Dotson.

Deacon Underwood was Honorably Discharged from the United States Army.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR **16**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Inc., Flint
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Family hour

MAR **17**. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Service

MAR 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 17, 2021 at 07:24 AM



“ *Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *The Isabelle family mourn the loss of Mr. Underwood. He was kind and caring. Our family grew up next door to him. We will miss his smile and loving nature...The Isabelle family* ❤️



The Isabelle Family - March 17, 2021 at 10:15 PM



“ *It was such an honor to have met him and his wife at Rosiland's wedding 2019 when I brought Dr. Julia BROGDON and Elder Dorothy Oluonye to the ceremony. Know that we are praying for your family here in Cleveland. Peace and Blessings to you all. Elder Altricia Black*

Altricia Black - March 17, 2021 at 03:51 PM

DJ

“ *Deborea Jones lit a candle in memory of
Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood*



Deborea Jones - March 17, 2021 at 01:37 PM

KP

“ *He was the best father-in-law. Never a cross word to me. Always available for heart to heart talks. Even in his last days on earth, he showed love. Always there for me. Always loving my children. All of them. My heart hurts but am happy he's with our Father in heaven. I will never forget him. Tiffany, Robert Jr., Latrice Underwood and George Powell II, my children, were blessed to have had this man in their lives.*

Rest in peace

Katrina Powell

Katrina Powell - March 17, 2021 at 11:41 AM

AR

“ *Jackie,Ros,Butch,&Eric you are in our prayers.*

The Richardson Family

Birmingham,Alabama



Abbie Richardson - March 16, 2021 at 08:51 PM

Valerie Jackson

“ *Condolences to my bishop, Bishop Robert Underwood and the Underwood family. Praying strength, peace and comfort upon your hearts! I can imagine he and Mother Underwood are rejoicing to see each other again. Blessings!*



Valerie Jackson - March 16, 2021 at 04:09 PM

WF

“ *Woodard Family lit a candle in memory of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood*



Woodard Family - March 16, 2021 at 12:19 PM

VJ

“ *To my bishop, Bishop Robert Underwood and the Underwood family! Sending you my condolences! Praying God's strength, peace and comfort upon your hearts! I just know he and Mama Underwood are celebrating! Love you much!!!*



Valerie Jackson - March 15, 2021 at 10:17 PM

VM

“ *Condolences to the Underwood Family*



Victoria McCreay - March 15, 2021 at 07:34 PM

FF

“ *Finklea Family lit a candle in memory of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood*



Finklea Family - March 15, 2021 at 06:52 PM

SF

“ *Steven Sparks and Family purchased the American the Beautiful for the family of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood.*



Steven Sparks and Family - March 15, 2021 at 01:53 PM



“ *He was a faithful servant and deacon at Morning Star MBC for many years. Loved Robert and Tommie and the family. Praying for family.*

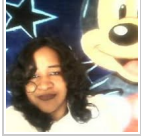
Vivian Petty - March 15, 2021 at 09:24 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood.*



March 13, 2021 at 01:24 PM



“ *Sending love and prayers to The Underwood family and friends. Bishop Underwood keeping you in my prayers. Marie Porter*



Marie Hall-Porter - March 13, 2021 at 11:20 AM

RS

“ *Roland Sagendorf purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood.*



Roland Sagendorf - March 12, 2021 at 08:35 PM

MF

“ *Mackey-Smith-Jones Family lit a candle in memory of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood*



Mackey-Smith-Jones Family - March 12, 2021 at 07:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood.*



March 12, 2021 at 04:27 PM

YS

“ *Your cousins, Val, Lois, Tommie, Earlene and Samuel purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood.*



Your cousins, Val, Lois, Tommie, Earlene and Samuel - March 11, 2021 at 10:08 PM



“ *Frances Palmer sent a virtual gift in memory of Deacon Robert Cleo Underwood*



Frances Palmer - March 11, 2021 at 07:56 PM