



Lela M. Holmes

May 22, 1934 - August 26, 2022

Lela Mae (Palmer) Holmes was born on May 22, 1934 to the late McKinley and Eudora (Nabors) Palmer. She passed away peacefully on August 26, 2022 with her daughter, caretaker, and greatgrands by her side. Lela grew up in Marianna, AR. She accepted Christ at an early age. On August 25, 2022, she recommitted her life to Christ. She was a midwife, a domestic helper, LPN, a teacher assistant, bus monitor and a foster grandparent. Lela was united in marriage to the late Levi Jones and to this union seven children were born. She later married the late Eddie Z. Holmes of Alton, IL. Lela's presence was like sunshine when she stepped into a room. She had a beautiful spirit, and a humorous personality. She was a sharp dresser, who could rock a hat at any minute. She was never a stranger to anyone and would lend a helping hand to anyone who was in need. Lela was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters, Roosevelt Palmer, McKinley Palmer, Ida Mae Carter, her twin, and Emma Ross. She leaves to cherish her sweet memories two daughters, Lois Boyd of Memphis, TN; Succila Jones of Alton, IL; two sons, Mugail Jones of Hazen, AR; and Vernard Jones of Jacksonville, AR; a niece and two nephews that she helped raise, Evonda Williams of Marianna, AR; Wayne Robinson of Marianna, AR; Dowell Taylor of Florence, AZ; two brothers, Wilber Palmer of Ecorse, MI; Grover Palmer of Detroit, MI; four sisters, Rosetta Wilson of Marianna, AR; Rosie Sanders of Marianna, AR; Mary Golightly of Detroit, Michigan; and Yve Lamb of Marianna, AR; two daughter-in-laws, Vetros Jones of Little Rock, AR; Ruth Jones of Puyallup, WA; a bonus

son, Eddie Holmes Jr, of Augusta, AR; a bonus daughter, Deneen Heard of Jacksonville, AR; 12 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends whom she genuinely loved.

Cemetery Details

Upper Alton Cemetery

Oakwood Rd
Alton, IL 62002

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 3. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Greater St. James Baptist Church
2016 Belle Street
Alton, IL

Service

SEP 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Greater St. James Baptist Church
2016 Belle Street
Alton, IL

Tribute Wall

VT

“ Sending love from Vicki Thearance-Boyd & family. I am daughter to Irma Cody Thearance "deceased " & granddaughter of Essie Lela Nabors Cody Arnold "deceased" whom you were named after. Thank you for conversations we had over the years. You reminded me of my grandma. Though you were a second cousin, I called you my Auntie Cousin. Rest on beautiful spirit. Love you.

Vicki Thearance-Boyd - September 03, 2022 at 10:32 AM

LF

“ Love, Your Averitt Family purchased the Simply E legant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lela M. Holmes.



Love, Your Averitt Family - September 02, 2022 at 05:44 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Cathy M Williams & Sons FH - September 02, 2022 at 10:06 AM

MD

“ Praying for strength and comfort during this time.

MELODY DAVIS-WILSON - September 02, 2022 at 09:38 AM

TB

“ Thank you for the flowers that have been sent on behalf of my grandma's passing. ~The Holmes and Jones Family

Tonya Butler - August 31, 2022 at 03:20 PM

LL

“ Our sincere condolences to the family of Lela Holmes. Lela were our true sister-in-law we loved her and we kept in touch through phone calls during the years. She'll be missed God bless you'll. Forever in our heart. Lonzierene Lewis, Jossie Jones & family.

Lonzierene Lewis - August 31, 2022 at 12:48 PM

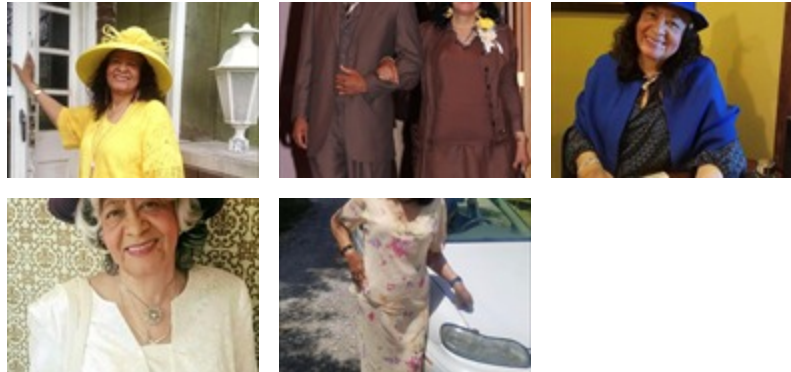
TB

Thank you on behave of the Holmes and Jones Family.

Tonya Butler - August 31, 2022 at 03:08 PM



“ 14 files added to the album Memories Album



Cathy M Williams & Sons FH - August 31, 2022 at 09:48 AM

JJ

Sweet Aunt Lela ❤️ Rest I'm Love and Peace.

Juanita Jones - August 31, 2022 at 10:33 AM

TB

A beautiful soul was called home. Thank you God for sharing her with us in the time you gave us. She will be missed but my heart and soul is happy to know that she is with you. Resting Peacefully. Love you Grandma. See you soon! 🍀💛💜

Tonya Butler - August 31, 2022 at 03:27 PM

LL

Forever smiling R.I.P.Lela 😊❤️

Lonzierene Lewis - September 01, 2022 at 03:16 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lela M. Holmes.*



August 30, 2022 at 07:23 PM