



## Dora Moore

November 1, 1930 - March 13, 2025

Dora was born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to Marie Dora and Sylvan Johnson. Dora was the youngest of five sisters with one older and one younger brother. In 1949, she moved to Detroit, Michigan, where she built a life rooted in hard work, faith, and family. After retiring, she embraced the warmth of St. Petersburg, Florida, where she spent 34 years enjoying the fruits of a life well-lived.

Faith played a guiding role in Dora's journey. Raised Catholic, she later joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church, worshipping alongside her devoted husband, James Moore. She carried her faith with quiet strength, leaning on it in times of challenge and joy.

Dora expressed her love through the meals she cooked, turning simple ingredients into unforgettable flavors. Monday meant red beans and rice, and Christmas Eve was incomplete without her legendary gumbo, brimming with blue crab she cleaned with care. Her cornbread was so soft it melted in your mouth, and the fiery peppers from her natural garden—Cayenne,

Habanero, Jalapeños, spiced up every meal. Dora took pride in baking, crafting cakes and pies

from scratch, ensuring no one ever left her table hungry.

Dora dedicated many years to food service within Detroit Public Schools, primarily at the former

Mackenzie High School, where her hard work and vibrant spirit left a lasting impact. Outside of

work, she loved shopping and had a keen eye for fashion, always knowing where to find the

best deals on designer clothes.

Feisty and full of life, Dora was known at her assisted living facility for her sharp wit,

straightforward advice, and unwavering sense of independence. She loved engaging with the

staff, always ready to listen to their stories, and to tell them exactly what she would or would not

do.

Dora was preceded in death by her beloved husband, James Moore, and her daughter, Cynthia

Brathwaite (Cyril). Her legacy of strength and love lives on in her daughter, Virginia Howard

(Harold), her son, Walter Slan, and a large, loving family of grandchildren, great-grandchildren,

nieces, nephews, and extended relatives.

Mom, your love was our foundation, your strength, our guide. Though you are no longer with us,

your spirit lives on in every meal shared, every lesson taught, and every memory treasured.

Rest in love

# Previous Events

## Family/Friends Time

MAR 20. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
24585 Evergreen Rd  
Southfield, MI 48075  
(248) 702-5367  
info@kempfh.com  
<https://www.kempfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dora Moore.*



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March 20, 2025 at 08:59 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dora Moore.

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“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dora Moore.*



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March 19, 2025 at 03:54 PM



“ *The Bowmans & Suburban Showplace family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Dora Moore.*



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**The Bowmans & Suburban Showplace family** - March 19, 2025 at 11:35 AM

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“ Dr. Ubom and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dora Moore.



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**Dr. Ubom and family** - March 18, 2025 at 03:25 PM

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“ Dr. Ubom and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dora Moore.

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**Dr. Ubom and family** - March 18, 2025 at 03:25 PM

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“ From Bryant, Michele and Taelor Burrell purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dora Moore.



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**From Bryant, Michele and Taelor Burrell** - March 18, 2025 at 11:37 AM

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“ From Bryant, Michele and Taelor Burrell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dora Moore.

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**From Bryant, Michele and Taelor Burrell** - March 18, 2025 at 11:37 AM