



## Ms. Ella Lee Lowe

December 17, 1937 - March 17, 2021

“This is my command – be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” - Joshua 1:9

Ella Lee Lowe (née Allen) was the first daughter born to the union of Anthony Allen, Sr. and Anna Allen on December 17, 1937 in Nitta Yuma, Mississippi. Affectionately nicknamed, “Doll Baby,” she was a warm and bright child who blossomed into a wise and compassionate young woman.

Ella was a leader. She accepted Jesus Christ as her savior at an early age and was baptized at Union Missionary Baptist Church. She faithfully served with her sisters in the Red Circle, a junior missionary group for girls. She also excelled at school, attending Wells High School and going to graduate from Manley High School.

Ella was a companion. She found an abiding love and partnership with Johnnie Lowe, Sr. and they joined in holy matrimony on July 16, 1971 in Chicago, Illinois. During their blessed union, they lovingly reared two sons, Norvel and Johnnie, Jr.

Ella was intrepid. She pursued vocational training and became a Certified Occupational Therapist’s Assistant after exceeding testing requirements for

the State of Illinois on her first attempt. After beginning her career at Northwestern University, she moved on to work for Cook County. Soon, her passion for children and education, informed her decision to go on to support and sustain a number of South Suburban school districts. She did incredible work that she loved for over 30 years until she retired in 1999 due to health reasons.

Ella was a steward. She was a devout believer who never stopped serving the Lord, her congregation, or the greater community. During her life, she was an esteemed and active member of Union Missionary Baptist Church, Greater Bethlehem Baptist Church, St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, and Living Grace Church.

Ella was one of a kind. She had a truly infectious personality, an indomitable spirit, and maintained a wide array of interests. Whether it was gardening, cooking, or traveling, she found time to do it all. She was always the life of any party and the first one to learn a new line dance. She treasured all children and never missed an opportunity to shower them with love and encouragement (and candy and treats). She talked to her sisters every day and cherished her family, often hosting holiday gatherings at her house.

Ella was loved. After a full and prosperous 83 years – 50 of them with the love of her life – she took rest March 17, 2021 after a hard-fought battle against Dementia and Alzheimer's, with family at her side. She is preceded in death by her siblings, Derrick Keith Allen, Jesse B. Allen, Aaron T. Allen, and Monica C. Allen; her dearest great grandson, De'Andre "Lil' Dee" Allen, Jr.; and her beloved parents.

Ella is survived by her devoted husband, Johnnie Lowe, Sr.; two children, Norvel Allen and Johnnie Lowe, Jr.; three loving grandchildren, De'Andre Allen, Sr., Seneca Allen, and Sierra Lowe; and six precious great

grandchildren, Darione Allen, Keon Allen, Da'mauri Allen, Dior Allen, Dy'asya Allen and Da'Vinci Allen. She also leaves her siblings Ethel Mae Allen, Ernestine Smith (Cleveland), Ena Sanders, Priscilla Rice and Anthony Allen, Jr. to cherish her memory; two special daughters, Pam Williams and Ruthie Williams, in addition to very dear nieces and nephews, and a great many relatives and friends.

“I am leaving you with a gift – peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid.” — John 14:27

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church  
14618 Lincoln Avenue  
Harvey, IL

## Service

MAR 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Ella Lee Lowe*

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**McCullough Funeral & Cremation Services** - March 25, 2021 at 12:01 PM