



Mrs. Florence Lee

July 6, 1942 - September 11, 2025

On September 11, 2025 God called Mrs. Florence Lee as she slipped into internal rest at the home of her daughter Olivia Lee and Willam Trotter. Surrounded by family and peace, she departed this life with grace and dignity.

Florence T Lee was born on July 6, 1942, in Romeo, Florida to George Thomas and Edith Dennis. Florence attended and graduated from Booker T Washington high school in Dunnellon, Florida and attended Santa Fe Community College. She was a faithful member of Apostle Faith Church of Jesus in Ocala, Florida where she served alongside her husband as State Evangelist from Gainesville to Miami. Later she joined The Highway Church of the Apostle Faith and Served at the mother of the Church. She was member of University of Love Chapter 14 Order of Eastern Star and Press Hall Court Heroiens of Jericho.

Florence lived a life full of love, dedication, and kindness. On October 14, 1974, married the love of her life, Cleander Lee Sr., and together they built a beautiful family. They started their journey in Alachua, Florida, before later moving to Gainesville, where they made a home surrounded by love and hard work. Alongside Cleander Lee enjoyed the life of a farmer, where the two were inseparable, working the land side by side.

She was preceded in her death by her parents: George Thomas and Edith

Dennis, Brothers: Joe Berry Sr, Arthur Thomas, William Thomas; Sisters: Judy May Thomas, Georgia May Epps, Janie May Dinkins; Stepchildren: Orrian Lee, Ron Lee, Charles Lee, David Lee, Cleander Lee Jr, Norman Lee. Like a sister: Elder Pressie Reaves

She leaves to cherish her memories by her beloved daughter: Olivia Lee (William) Stepdaughters: Rachel Burgess (Otis) of South Carolina, Barbara Strowbridge (Jesse) of Gainesville, Fl, Sherry Lee of Gainesville, Fl. Eleanor Robinson (James) of Gainesville, Fl. Stepsons: Tony Lee of Gainesville, Fl, Douglas Lee of Gainesville, Fl, Randy Lee of Gainesville, Fl. Nathaniel Lee of Springfield Massachusetts. Sister: Lucille Graham (Geroge) of Gainesville, Fl.

Granddaughter: Arielle Livingston; Grandson: Arthur Livingston Jr. Godson: Jeremy Reaves: Favorite Cousin: Mary Smith. 31 grandchildren and host of cousins, great nephews, nieces and friends

The service for Mrs. Florence Lee will be held on Saturday, September 20, 2025 at 12:00 PM at The Highway Church of the Apostle Faith.

Visitation: Friday, at 2:00 PM - 6:30 PM at Chestnut Funeral Home.

Burial: Pine Grove Cemetery, Gainesville,FL

Final and most sacred arrangements are entrusted to the professional care of Chestnut Funeral Home, 18 NW 8th, Ave, Gainesville, FL, 32601.

Cemetery Details

Pine Grove Cemetery

401 SE 21st Ave
Gainesville, FL 32641

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP **19**. 2:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Chestnut Funeral Home
18 NW 8th Avenue
Gainesville, FL 32601

Funeral Service

SEP **20**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

The Highway Church of the Apostle Faith
3091 SE Hawthorne Rd
Gainesville, FL 32641

Tribute Wall

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“ Shannon, Kevin, Linda, Kim, and Dwayne purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mrs. Florence Lee.



Shannon, Kevin, Linda, Kim, and Dwayne - September 17, 2025 at 04:42 PM