



Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey

November 29, 1951 - November 30, 2023

*****ATTN: FAMILY & FRIENDS PLEASE SEE CORRECTED VISITATION & SERVICE TIMES LISTED BELOW*****

***SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH IS HOSTING A MEMORIAL SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY OF MRS. DOVIE JANICE ALEXANDER-LIPSEY ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2023 AT 12:00 NOON.

PLEASE SEE VISITATION & SERVICE TIMES BELOW THAT WILL BE HELD AT THE CHURCH**

MASKS ARE OPTIONAL AND ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST--- HAND SANITIZER WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED**

The Obituary

On November 30th, 2023, our family lost a loving Mother, Grandmother, Sister, and best friend. Dovie was born in Chicago, Illinois, on November 29, 1951, to Rev. James Lystle Alexander and Avor Mae Scott. Growing up as the youngest of 12 siblings in the 'Alexanders' family, Dovie developed deep-rooted Christian faith and community involvement. After graduating from Englewood High School, her path led her to Kalamazoo, MI in 1977.

In Michigan, Dovie became a Mortgage Consultant with First National Bank, showcasing her exceptional skills with numbers. Her career was marked by numerous promotions and successful roles in the banking industry. Several years later, she married Rev. George W. Lipsey, and together, they answered the Lord's call to start a transformative children's ministry.

Their ministry journey began with Foster Care, providing Temporary/Permanent care for displaced children, and eventually led to Adoption. Dovie seized each opportunity to share and teach God's word, leading to the transformation of many young lives.

Dovie and George spent 28 years in marriage until George's passing in 2016. Their union blessed them with 9 children and 9 grandchildren, whom she loved dearly. Family meant the world to Dovie, evident in her integral role within Second Baptist Church and the community.

Dovie utilized her spiritual gifts of compassion and kindness, coupled with her love of singing, to bless many. She earned titles like extended mother, beloved sister, favorite Aunt, and best friend.

Dovie had many passions: singing in the church choir, assisting the sick and shut-in during the holiday season, and baking her infamous sweet potato pies, 7UP & pound cakes. She also enjoyed reading, walks in the park, and dancing as a form of exercise. Most importantly, she loved spending time with family and friends.

Dovie lived a full and blessed life; her beautiful smile and vibrant personality will be greatly missed. Her memory lives in our hearts forever!

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 11. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Second Baptist Church
609 N. Rose Street
Kalamazoo, MI

A Service in Loving Memory

DEC 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

Second Baptist Church
609 N. Rose Street
Kalamazoo, MI

Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey



Harper Funeral Home - December 10, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ Joyce Rosenberg and Jurnee send our heartfelt condolences to the family.

Joyce Rosenberg - December 11, 2023 at 04:39 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey.



December 10, 2023 at 05:16 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey.



December 09, 2023 at 01:44 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey.*



December 09, 2023 at 01:37 PM



“ *The Family of Tajuana Anderson send our love and condolences to the family.*



Chaunda Daniels - December 09, 2023 at 09:10 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey.*



December 09, 2023 at 09:04 AM



“ *Darlene Alexander-Nelson's Children. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey.*

Darlene Alexander-Nelson's Children. - December 08, 2023 at 11:11 PM



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December 08, 2023 at 11:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey.*



December 08, 2023 at 08:32 PM



“ *Kanitra A. Boyd and Eric Alexander purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Dovie Janice Alexander-Lipsey.*



Kanitra A. Boyd and Eric Alexander - December 08, 2023 at 06:43 PM



“ *ORVILLE ALEXANDER lit a candle in memory of Dovie Alexander-Lipsey*



ORVILLE ALEXANDER - December 08, 2023 at 10:33 AM