



## Missionary Earline Owens

June 17, 1942 - October 13, 2025

Missionary Earline Williams Owens, was born on June 17, 1942, in Enterprise, Alabama. She made her transition on October 13, 2025, at the sweet age of 83 years joining in rest with her loving husband of 65 years, the late Pastor Elvin M. Owens. She leaves a legacy of spiritual sanctification to her seven surviving children, 29 grandchildren, and 8 step-grandchildren.

Missionary Earline Owens was an outstanding Bible reader, praiser, prayer warrior, and worshipper at Grace Church of God in Christ where she accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior and represented King Jesus for 53 glorious years. She was affectionately known as Mother Owens to most and was nicknamed "Charity" because of her display of unconditional love to everyone she came in contact with. She could be fondly found interacting with others using terms of endearment like "Baby" "Sweetie Pie" "Sugar" "Sugar Lump" "Daughter" "Love" "Preacher" "Deacon" "Brother" any phrase of praise that she gave was uplifting to the soul. She was a sharp dresser and the most beautiful saint you could ever come in contact with. Mother Owens was the epitome of an altruistic human being because of the type of love she displayed to everyone she met.

She obtained her Evangelist license in 1992 and worked as a Missionary for 33 years in the grand ole Church of God in Christ. Her missionary work included Sunday School Teacher, lead Prayer and Bible Band, served as a

District Missionary and raised her family of 8 children with her husband. Mother Owens was a faithful member and loved going to Grace Church of God in Christ. Her favorite pastime was reading the Bible, studying and praying as well as watching Game Shows. Her style of dress exhibited elegance and she often testified that once she got filled with the precious Holy Ghost she never backslid into a pair of pants. She loved being a holy woman in a dress, skirt suit and lived holy with a happy joyful spirit. She enjoyed being the First Lady by her husband's side, when you saw him, you'd see her in their matching outfits.

Her surviving children Elvin (Terri Larsen) Owens Jr., of Minneapolis, MN; Angelia (Lee) Brooks; Diane (Michael) Simmons; Frances Smith, all of Saginaw, MI; Louis (Phyllis) Owens, of Flint, MI; James (Monique) Owens; Evelyn (Jason) Ware, also of Saginaw, MI. Grandchildren: Elvin(Tangela) Owens III, Whitney (Derek) Gozenbach, Mandy Owens, Elijah Owens; Luckisha Washington, Josephine Seay, Sabrina Washington, Antoinette Washington, Derek Washington; Earline Brooks, Sterling (Tomika) Brooks, Markeyla (Steve) Bell; Ann Jackson, Keith Jackson, Angela Jackson; Andrew (Elesha) Owens, Sherikia Baskin, Marcus Owens, Tawana (Lance) Brewer, Jessica (Wayne) Watkins, Sheana Owens; Darren Smith, Pamela Smith; Jاليا (Kristian) Jones, Jasmine Owens, James Owens Jr.; Jaquana (Byron) Poindexter; Donald (Brittney) Bivens III. Step-grandchildren: Tammy Barlow, Dan Larsen, Ashley (Terrell) Brown, Lee Reynolds, Niara Owens, Madisyn Ware, Mya Bolds, and Monica Bolds. She leaves behind 62 great-grandchildren, 12 great-great grandchildren, goddaughter, Terry Falls, along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was predeceased by her parents Roosevelt and Lessie Mae (Campbell) Williams; siblings Charlie Knight, Roosevelt Williams, Jr., Isabella Brandon, Eddie Lee Williams, Minnie Lee (Daniel) Shine, Johnny Wesley Williams, Roy James Williams, Dorothy Reese Knight, Charles Williams; her husband Elvin

Owens, one daughter, Melissa Washington and one grandson, Louis Owens Jr. and one great-granddaughter Gia Marie Gozenbach.

Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, October 25, 2025, at World Outreach Campus, 2405 Bay Rd., Saginaw, MI 48602, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Bishop Hurley J. Coleman, Jr. Pastor and Supt. Louis E. Owens officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington Ave., Saginaw, MI 48601. Visitation will take place from 9:00 AM until the time of service. Those wishing to express words of encouragement and share a Mother Owens style testimony may do so during Family Hour at 10 AM. Funeral Services will start promptly at 11 AM.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **25**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

World Outreach Campus  
2405 Bay Road  
Saginaw, MI 48602

## Family Hour

OCT **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

World Outreach Campus  
2405 Bay Road  
Saginaw, MI 48602

## Funeral Service

OCT **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

World Outreach Campus  
2405 Bay Road  
Saginaw, MI 48602



# Tribute Wall

JW

“ *Jean Willis lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



jean Willis - November 24, 2025 at 01:47 PM

ES

“ *Ethel & Robert Shaheed lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Ethel & Robert Shaheed - November 02, 2025 at 11:59 AM

DT

“ *Denecho Turner lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Denecho Turner - October 28, 2025 at 03:23 PM

CN

“ *Our deepest condolences to the entire Owens family and extended families. Mother Owens lived a great life may she now rest in paradise for the labor she richly stored up. Keeping you all in my prayers 🙏*



Cheryl R Nash - October 28, 2025 at 11:48 AM

LS

“ *Linda Campbell Stacy lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Linda Campbell Stacy - October 27, 2025 at 11:24 PM

MF

“ *Mo Earlean Shepard & Family lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Mo Earlean Shepard & Family - October 25, 2025 at 12:09 PM

SD

“ *Sandra Dillard lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Sandra Dillard - October 25, 2025 at 11:33 AM

JC

“ *RIH Mother Owens. Your Legacy of Love For God And HIS People Lives On. May God Bless And Keep The Entire Owens Family In Peace And Love. Be Not Dismayed Whatever Be Tide. God Will Take Care of You. In Jesus Name! ❤️ 🙏 🌹 🙏 🙏 🙏* Minister J. Carrigan

Jowanne Carrigan - October 25, 2025 at 11:30 AM

EW

“ *Elder James C Weston lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Elder James c Weston** - October 25, 2025 at 03:47 AM

SB

“ *Shadana Black lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Shadana Black** - October 24, 2025 at 06:02 PM

VB

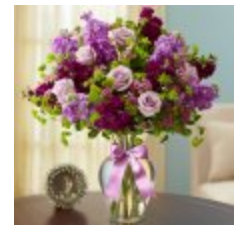
“ *Prayers goes out to the entire Owens family. Your mother was a sweet WOG. She will be missed* 🙏❤️🌹



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**Velissa Batts** - October 24, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Missionary Earline Owens.*



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October 24, 2025 at 09:13 AM

SF

“ Stephanie Ford sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Stephanie Ford - October 23, 2025 at 11:13 PM

RA

“ My prayer and condolences to the family and friends of Missionary Earline Owens. Heaven has gained an Angel who has earned her crown. RIHP



Rosie Anderson - October 23, 2025 at 10:41 PM



“ Deepest condolences to the entire family. Bless you all and God give strength and comfort.



Royal Barrow - October 23, 2025 at 07:33 PM

GB

“ Gwendolyn White Bowman



Gwendolyn White Bowman - October 23, 2025 at 03:30 PM

NO

“ Sending my prayers and condolences to the entire family! 💕🙏

Naleisha Owens - October 23, 2025 at 10:09 AM

ED

“ Earl & Patricia Dawson purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Missionary Earline Owens.



Earl & Patricia Dawson - October 23, 2025 at 09:23 AM

KD

“ Prayers & condolences to the Owens family 💕🌸💕

Kathryn Dukes - October 22, 2025 at 02:31 PM

OG

“ Olga Greene sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Olga Greene - October 22, 2025 at 10:15 AM

GW

“ Mother I'm going to miss that infectious smile. You were a true WOG. Blessings to the family.



Geri Bowen Walker - October 22, 2025 at 07:26 AM

DA

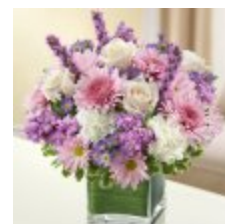
“ *Debra Austin lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Debra Austin - October 21, 2025 at 02:01 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Missionary Earline Owens.*



October 21, 2025 at 01:29 PM

JW

“ *Jean Willis sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



jean willis - October 21, 2025 at 12:17 PM



“ *Darlean Donald sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Darlean Donald - October 21, 2025 at 10:41 AM

JN

“ Janet Norris lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Janet Norris - October 21, 2025 at 10:32 AM

FC

“ Prayers and Condolences for the entire Owens family. Mrs. Earline Owens was a very sweet and kind lady and I loved to hear her speak she was full of wisdom and had the prettiest smile. She will be missed.



Felecia Ann Cole - October 21, 2025 at 12:52 AM

DM

“ Dorris Moore lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Dorris Moore - October 20, 2025 at 09:36 PM

CO

“ Chris Snow-Jeter Riverfront Optical sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Chris Snow-Jeter Riverfront Optical - October 20, 2025 at 09:24 PM

RJ

“ *ROGER CAROL JACKSON lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



ROGER CAROL JACKSON - October 20, 2025 at 07:41 PM

RJ

*Love goes out to the Lewis family. May God comfort you in the Lord. Another Soldier gone home*

ROGER CAROL JACKSON - October 20, 2025 at 07:46 PM



“ *Chea Mosley lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Chea Mosley - October 20, 2025 at 07:40 PM

BD

“ *Brittney Donald lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Brittney Donald - October 20, 2025 at 12:58 PM

DJ

“ *Doris Jean Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Doris Jean Jones - October 20, 2025 at 09:14 AM

KH

“ *Kim Harrold lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Kim Harrold - October 19, 2025 at 10:28 PM

EB

“ *Elaine Brown lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Elaine Brown - October 19, 2025 at 02:21 PM

AB

“ *Antoinette J Bland sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Antoinette J Bland - October 18, 2025 at 07:43 PM

LR

“ *Linda Reid lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Linda Reid** - October 18, 2025 at 02:22 PM

SF

“ *Shipman And Brewer Family lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Shipman and Brewer Family** - October 18, 2025 at 01:12 PM

DP

“ *Dorothy Price-Omar lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Dorothy Price-Omar** - October 18, 2025 at 08:12 AM

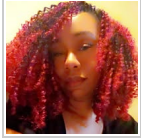
KC

“ *Keith Cain lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Keith Cain** - October 17, 2025 at 11:45 PM



“ *Ebony Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens* ”



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**Ebony Buchanan** - October 17, 2025 at 07:13 PM

FM

“ *Farrow Malone lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens* ”



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**Farrow Malone** - October 17, 2025 at 06:10 PM

JM

“ *Jerdine Malone lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens* ”



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**Jerdine Malone** - October 17, 2025 at 06:10 PM

DH

“ *Deidre Hunter sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens* ”



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**Deidre Hunter** - October 17, 2025 at 04:07 PM

GB

“ Gloria Blackmon lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



Gloria Blackmon - October 17, 2025 at 03:12 PM

PP

“ Pastor Robert And First Lady Dicy Powell lit a  
candle in memory of Missionary Earline  
Owens



Pastor Robert and First Lady Dicy Powell - October 17, 2025 at 02:45 AM

EM

“ Earl Martin lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



Earl Martin - October 17, 2025 at 02:25 AM

TG

“ Trevina & Maurice Gillespie sent a virtual gift in  
memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Trevina & Maurice Gillespie - October 17, 2025 at 01:41 AM

IC

“ PRAYING FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME 💕💕🙏🙏💕💕



Irma Chism - October 17, 2025 at 12:20 AM

YA

“ Praying for the Owens family. 🙏



Yolanda Hines Ash - October 16, 2025 at 10:06 PM

HM

“ Heather Mims lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Heather Mims - October 16, 2025 at 10:03 PM

YU

“ YulondraWalker lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



YulondraWalker - October 16, 2025 at 08:56 PM

D(

“ *Diane (Burns)Blackmon lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



**Diane (Burns)Blackmon** - October 16, 2025 at 08:56 PM

IN

“ *InezHintonSummerall lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



**InezHintonSummerall** - October 16, 2025 at 08:51 PM

ML

“ *My Deepest condolences And Prayers To Family* 🙏🏻🙏🏻🌹🌹🌹🙏🏻🙏🏻🙏🏻



**Maurice Lever** - October 16, 2025 at 08:12 PM

NT

“ *Nola Taylor lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



**Nola Taylor** - October 16, 2025 at 08:07 PM

TC

“ *Get your test Mother Owen's  
Bryant & Tiffany Craighead*



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**Tiffany Craighead** - October 16, 2025 at 07:48 PM

FR

“ *Felicia Robinson lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Felicia Robinson** - October 16, 2025 at 06:18 PM

WF

“ *Weems Family sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Weems Family** - October 16, 2025 at 05:16 PM

EW

“ *Earnice Welch-Davis Watkins lit a candle in  
memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Earnice Welch-Davis Watkins** - October 16, 2025 at 05:00 PM

EW

*I'm praying for the family*

**Earnice Welch-Davis Watkins** - October 16, 2025 at 05:01 PM

JL

“ *JACKIE LOSTER-TYSON lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



**JACKIE LOSTER-TYSON** - October 16, 2025 at 04:00 PM

BD

“ *Brittney Donald lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



**Brittney Donald** - October 16, 2025 at 03:14 PM

DD

“ *My deepest condolences to your family. You will find all the comfort and strength you will need in Christ. But y'all already know this. Sending hugs and love y'all's way. 🙏🙏🙏*



**Debra Ann Dillard** - October 16, 2025 at 03:01 PM

PF

“ *Pastor Herbert Morris And Family. lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Pastor Herbert Morris and Family. - October 16, 2025 at 12:37 PM

FW

“ *Fannie Walker lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



Fannie Walker - October 16, 2025 at 09:36 AM

FW

*To the Owens You have my deepest sympathy in the passing of your mom, you may remember me by the name Sister Ginn*

Fannie Walker - October 16, 2025 at 09:41 AM

OK

“ *To the Owen's Family I send my sincere condolences to you during one of the saddest moments of your life may Mrs. Owen get her rest in the Heavenly Father arms.*



Olivia Kincaid - October 16, 2025 at 09:07 AM

BM

“ Bobby Myles lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**Bobby myles** - October 15, 2025 at 07:47 PM

CC

“ Cheryl Cooper sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**Cheryl Cooper** - October 15, 2025 at 07:30 PM

JO

“ JoyReeves lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**JoyReeves** - October 15, 2025 at 05:41 PM

JP

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to the family of Missionary Earline Owens: May God bless you with comfort, peace, and strength during your time of bereavement! Much love to you all! ❤️*

*With sincerest sympathy and love,  
Josephine Pelt*



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**Josephine Pelt** - October 15, 2025 at 04:32 PM

FP

“ *Fphlisia Pittman sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Fphlisia Pittman** - October 15, 2025 at 04:05 PM

DA

“ *Debra Austin lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Debra Austin** - October 15, 2025 at 03:43 PM

JW

“ *Jean Willis lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**jean Willis** - October 15, 2025 at 02:04 PM

SB

*To be absent from the body is to be present with the lord take your rest Mother Owens love you forever.*

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**Sandra Boone** - October 15, 2025 at 02:42 PM

KF

“ *Kirk D Floyd lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**kirk D Floyd** - October 15, 2025 at 01:58 PM

HJ

“ *Houston & Elaine Jackson, Jr. & Family*



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**Houston Jackson, Jr.** - October 15, 2025 at 12:53 PM

DF

“ Debra M Fenn lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**Debra M Fenn** - October 15, 2025 at 12:50 PM

BS

“ Billie Stribling lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**billie stribling** - October 15, 2025 at 10:26 AM

BP

“ Prayers for the Owens Family, Your Mom was  
a wonderful person and will be missed !



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**Betty Plowden** - October 15, 2025 at 10:26 AM

SW

“ Sandra Wooten lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**Sandra Wooten** - October 15, 2025 at 10:22 AM

PS

“ To the Owens Family Mother Owens will definitely be missed She had Sweet Love & Wisdom Get your Rest Memories will last Forever



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**Phyllis Scarbrough** - October 15, 2025 at 10:07 AM

JL

“ John Lively lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



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**John lively** - October 15, 2025 at 10:00 AM

KW

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. My heart is with you and your family during this tough time. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I am sending you love and strength as you go through this challenging period. I am reminded of the song "May The Life I Live Speaks For Me"; Mother Owens' life was a powerful testament to the lifestyle she led, showcasing that she was filled with the Holy Ghost, water baptized, a prayer warrior, a worshiper, and she had a profound love for her God, Jesus Christ.



*The Kelley & Williams Family*

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**Kelley & Williams** - October 15, 2025 at 09:33 AM

YC

“ Yvonne Corley sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**Yvonne Corley** - October 15, 2025 at 08:25 AM

EM

“ Ernestine Martin lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**Ernestine Martin** - October 15, 2025 at 08:05 AM

BJ

“ Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of  
Missionary Earline Owens



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**Brenda Jones** - October 15, 2025 at 06:31 AM

LA

“ Leopold & Janel Arnett sent a virtual gift in  
memory of Missionary Earline Owens



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**Leopold & Janel Arnett** - October 14, 2025 at 11:09 PM

CC

“ Clifford Carter lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Clifford Carter - October 14, 2025 at 10:26 PM



“ Joanie Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Joanie Williams - October 14, 2025 at 09:12 PM

M?

“ 🙏 Sending Prayers, Love and Condolences To The Owens Family. Love You ❤️. I'm So Sorry For Your Loss 🙏 The Hannibal Family. Saginaw, Texas.



Mary Hannibal, Saginaw, Texas. 🙏 - October 14, 2025 at 08:45 PM

PG

“ Pamela Shields Gibson lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens



Pamela Shields Gibson - October 14, 2025 at 08:32 PM

NG

“ *Nina Gardner lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Nina Gardner** - October 14, 2025 at 07:54 PM

DM

“ *Dorris Moore lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Dorris Moore** - October 14, 2025 at 07:11 PM

MB

“ *My prayers and Condolences are with the family of Mother Owens*



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**Marilyn Burns-Bowman** - October 14, 2025 at 06:53 PM

AL

“ *My condolences and prayers to the family during this transitional period.*



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**A. Jeffrey LaValley** - October 14, 2025 at 05:31 PM

TG

“ *Tresia Givens lit a candle in memory of Missionary Earline Owens*



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**Tresia Givens** - October 14, 2025 at 04:24 PM