



## Mrs. Flora Rita March

May 24, 1950 - December 20, 2022

Mrs. Flora Rita March, 72, of Peoria, Illinois transitioned to her heavenly home at 5:21 pm on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center surrounded by her family.

Flora was born on May 24, 1950 in Tchula, Mississippi to Allen and Mammie (Whitaker) March. She married James Hopkins; he preceded her in death.

Flora was a loving mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She was good natured. She was very helpful to people and had an open-door policy to anyone. Flora loved cooking, listening to music and playing spades.

Flora leaves to cherish her most precious memory four sons, Jeffrey (Clovis) Hopkins and Tyrone Hopkins both of Peoria, IL, Maurice Hopkins of Atlanta, GA and Karl (Tequasia Henry) March of Memphis, TN; two sisters, Beverly March of Dallas, TX and Jewel (Pablo) Sanchez of Peoria, IL; 25 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; her special friend Levi Thomas of Peoria, IL; a host of children she adopted in her heart; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends who adored her. She is also preceded in death by her parents; one son, Patrick Hopkins; one brother, Lionel Whitaker, Sr., and two sisters, Barbara Harris and Ora Parr.

A funeral service will be held at 11 am on Saturday, December 31, 2022 at Simons Mortuary with a visitation one-hour prior beginning at 10 am. Rev. Alvin Riley, Sr., Pastor of Sovereign Grace Baptist Church will officiate.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [simonsmortuary.com](http://simonsmortuary.com).

The service will be live streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE (Central Time). Due to Covid-19, social distancing is encouraged to be consistent with recommendations from the National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA),

funeral home directors have been instructed and should follow CDC guidelines on gatherings, including those directly related to funerals, visitations, or graveside services. \*In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them). \*It is our responsibility as Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Simons Mortuary Chapel  
912 W. John H. Gwynn, Jr. Ave.  
Peoria, IL 61605  
(309) 674-2638  
info@simonsmortuary.com  
<https://simonsmortuary.com>

## Celebration of Life

DEC 31. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Flora Rita March*



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**Simons Mortuary** - January 04, 2023 at 06:30 PM



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**Simons Mortuary** - December 30, 2022 at 04:01 PM



“ *Mrs. Flora Rita March*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Flora Rita March*

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Love you auntie*



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**Michelle Sledge-Bevency** - January 20, 2023 at 04:40 PM

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“ Hi I'm Jeffrey Hopkins and I miss and loved my mother every day all day that's why I took time out of my life to help her live the rest of her life the best way I could of helped do to her illness we was really close our whole lives but when she got sick in 2017 I made all her store runs I took her to all her Dr appointment's I cooked for her I've cleaned her I was by her side every hospital visit until the day she past and I'm really go miss you mom but I can promise you this that I'm go stay strong like the person u always Kno and I promise momma you go live through me

Jeffrey Hopkins - January 06, 2023 at 06:21 PM

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Jeffrey Hopkins - January 06, 2023 at 06:11 PM

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Jeffrey Hopkins - January 06, 2023 at 06:07 PM

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“ My condolences to the March family. May God strengthen you all & provide comfort during this time



Pam Gaston - December 29, 2022 at 11:08 PM