



## Saint Leola Marie Baskin

December 13, 1950 - April 12, 2019

St. Leola M. Baskin, 68, of Peoria, IL passed away at 5:03 pm on Friday, April 12, 2019 at West Suburban Medical Center, Oak Park, IL.

St. Leola was born on December 13, 1950 in Wheeling, West Virginia to Mary (Ladson) and Leon Baskin, Sr.

St. Leola was a 1969 graduate of Woodruff High School and received her Bachelors' Degree in Library Science at Illinois State University in 1974. St. Leola worked as a Social Worker at Catholic Social Services for 20 years. She later worked as a Teacher's Assistant in District 150.

St. Leola was a seamstress. She also was an artist who created beautiful jewelry. She was an avid reader. One of St. Leola's achievements was to pass out of the church's "Seven Keys" which gave her a Doctorate of Divinity. She achieved this honor three times.

St. Leola leaves to cherish her precious memories; two children, Aaron Byrd of Oak Park, IL and Susan "Suzy" Byrd of Peoria; Siblings, Martha Jenkins, Mary Tennon and Leon Baskin, Jr., all of Peoria, Michael (LaVerne) Baskin of Pittsburg, PA, Matthew Baskin and John Baskin both of Peoria, Andrew (Deborah) Baskin of Aurora, IL, Samuel Baskin, Ruth Ingram, Constance Jimoh and Leah (Daniel) Lattimore all of Peoria, and Lisa (Rhodie) Joppy of Atlanta, GA; 2 grandchildren, Zaire Byrd and Zion Adams; and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents.

St. Leola , we Love you and you will be missed!

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Friday, April 26, 2019 at the Church of God and Saints of Christ, 4225 N. Boulevard Avenue, Peoria, IL 61614, with a visitation one hour prior beginning at 10 am. Elder Samuel Baskin will officiate. Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [simonsmortuary.com](http://simonsmortuary.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Church of God & Saints of Christ  
4225 N. Boulevard Ave.  
Peoria, IL 61616

## Funeral Service

APR **26**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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4225 N. Boulevard Ave.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Saint Leola Marie Baskin*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Saint Leola Marie Baskin*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *May GOD keep you close in this time of loss.*

**Gloria Hampton-cook** - April 27, 2019 at 11:43 AM



“ *Peace and Love to my Entire Family* 🍷💙🙏

**Cynthia French** - April 26, 2019 at 12:32 PM



“ *Martha & Family - I was very sorry to hear of your loss. May God grant you peace during your time of bereavement.*



**Vickie Kingcade-King** - April 24, 2019 at 12:02 PM

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“ *Veronica George-Ball lit a candle in memory of Saint Leola Marie Baskin*



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**Veronica George-Ball** - April 23, 2019 at 09:34 PM

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“ *So sorry for your loss*



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**evelyn tate clayton** - April 23, 2019 at 11:51 AM