



## Iris L Moore

October 20, 2020

Iris L Moore was born the eighth of nine children to Aaron Malachi and Vivian Louise McClean Long (of Eastman, GA and Augusta, ME respectively) on November 15, 1946. She attended public schools in Washington D.C.: Lovejoy Elementary, Brown Junior High, and Eastern High School. Graduating second in her class of over 600 seniors, she received a scholarship to attend George Washington University where she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematical Statistics in 1969.

Iris met her former husband Stevens E. Moore (Emma) and her lifelong friend Cherryl Neill Humphreys at George Washington University. She was a founding member of the first black student group at the University and was active in the Civil Rights movement. After graduating, she moved to New Orleans where she lived out the rest of her life in grand fashion.

A hidden figure in her own right, her professional career included many amazing accomplishments. She researched the Congressional Budget, did performance evaluation on main frame computers, served as a project lead for the first shuttle launch, STS-1, achieved the position of GS-15 in the Department of Navy, and oversaw the building of a \$2 million Information Technology Center for the Naval Oceanographic Office (NAVOCEANO) in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. After 33 years of dedicated service at NAVOCEANO, she retired in May of 2016.

After moving to New Orleans, she became a faithful member of Greater Saint Stephen Full Gospel Baptist Church under the Pastorships of Bishop Paul S.

Morton and Dr. Debra B. Morton. She served as one of the original board members of the Women of Excellence Ministry.

She was an active member of several Prince Hall Affiliated (PHA) organizations. Iris was a member of the research arm of the Order of Eastern Star, the Ruby E. Williams Chapter of the Phyllis Chapter of the Phylaxis Society. She was a member of Platta Court #114, Imperial Court Daughters, auxiliary to the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America and its Jurisdictions, Inc. She was elected and was honored to serve as Imperial Commandress (International President) for the Imperial Court Daughters and served that position for two years, 2007-2009. As Imperial Commandress, she was the leader of over 12,000 women worldwide and traveled the globe offering guidance and mentoring the members. Having served Platta Court # 114 as Illustrious Commandress from 1982-1983, she went on to receive several appointments in the Imperial Court, including Imperial Convention Directress, which ultimately lead to her election to the Imperial Court Divan (international board of directors). She was a member of New Orleans Assembly #1, Order of the Golden Circle, where she was bestowed the honor Past Grand State Loyal Lady Ruler of the Louisiana State Grand Assembly, Order of the Golden Circle. She was a member of John G. Lewis #1, Order of Eastern Star and served as its District Deputy and Special Deputy for District #1, Order of Eastern Star and Worthy Matron. She was honored with the distinction of Honorary Past Grand Worthy Matron of Esther Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Inc.-PHA, Louisiana Jurisdiction.

Iris was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR, Ann Arundel Chapter). Her maternal ancestor Tobias Hill was called up from his farm to defend the Maine coast as the British were approaching in 1777.

On Tuesday, October 20, 2020, Iris was called to her Heavenly home. She was preceded in death by her parents, Aaron and Vivian Long, three brothers, Charles E. Long, Joseph C. Long, and Aaron Leroy Long, and two sisters, Helen E. Mims and Vivian Jane Smith. She leaves to cherish her memory her

son, Kali K. Moore (Kedra), her daughter, Damali T. M. Manuel (Cornell), her grandchildren Rashad Muhammad, Kayla Moore, Kendyll Manuel, Anaya Moore, and Kori Manuel, two sisters, Charlotte Fleming (Alton L.), Louella Jacqueline Long, and one brother, John E. Long, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other family, PHAmily, and friends.

Due to the Government Social Distancing Guidelines, the family prepares for a private service, however a public visitation will be held on Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave. followed by a private funeral service. MASKS are required to enter the funeral home. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home. Please visit [www.rhodesfuneral.com](http://www.rhodesfuneral.com) to sign the online guestbook, share memories and condolences to the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to:

National Kidney Foundation of Louisiana

8200 Hampson Street Suite 425

New Orleans, LA 70118

For online donations visit <https://kidneyla.org>.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **31**. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Rhodes Funeral Home - Washington Avenue  
3933 Washington Avenue  
New Orleans, LA 70125  
(504) 822-7162  
<https://www.rhodesfuneral.com>

## Private Service

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# Tribute Wall

GM

“ *My Heartfelt Sympathies to the Family of PIC Dt Iris L. Moore may the Memory of her Sweet Spirit remain in the Hearts of those who held her near and Dear.  
Farewell PIC Iris L Moore  
Rest In Eternal Peace  
Gloria A. Mosley HPIC # 10*

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**Gloria Mosley** - November 03, 2020 at 08:39 AM

CB

“ *My Condolences to the family of Mrs. Iris Moore; I have worked along side  
Mrs. Moore for 20 of those 33 years of dedicated service at NAVOCEANO. A proud and caring lady I have become acquainted with. May GOD Continue to Bless The Iris L. Moore Family Now and Forever According to His Will.*

*Sincerely,*

*Charles A. Baker  
visual information specialist  
Naval Oceanographic Office  
Stennis Space Center, MS.*

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**charles baker** - November 02, 2020 at 08:24 AM

SL

“ To the Long and Moore Family,  
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Iris. I will keep your family in prayer.

Sandy O. Leary-Bruno (Mixon)  
Eastern High School, Class of 1964  
Browne Junior High, class of 1960  
( zurichone @aol.com)

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**Sandy O. Leary-Bruno** - November 01, 2020 at 07:43 PM

MM

“ My condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Iris Moore.  
Monica Mercadel Purvey

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**Monica Mercadel-Purvey** - November 01, 2020 at 04:30 PM

CK

“ My name is Catherine (Hutchinson) Kinchens.  
Iris and I graduated from Eastern High School  
Washington DC. Iris was quite but very nice  
and social. We took one or two classes  
together. I last saw Iris at one of our class  
reunions a few years ago. I remember we talked and laughed about  
high school. It was a joy. I will miss her even though I have not seen  
her for years. Her memory is very alive in my heart.



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**catherine portia kinchens** - November 01, 2020 at 02:29 PM

BH

“ Daughter Moore always had time to share Christ with all Daughters.  
Daughters that had the honor of working with her were blessed. DT.  
Barbara H. Harris #126

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**Barbara HARRIS** - November 01, 2020 at 01:39 PM

BC

“ *Dt. Moore and I worked on an OES committee together and she was so encouraging and always kept us on task, I learned so much from her guidance. She had outstanding leadership skills, and I will hold her memory in my heart. Much love to the family. 🙏*  
*Deputy Brenda Canty*



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**Brenda Canty** - October 31, 2020 at 11:49 PM

CP

“ *P.I.C. Iris L. Moore has been a beacon light shining around the world. Her God-given gifts of genius, personality, spirituality, and humility have benefited all who knew her. Her loving presence will be sorely missed throughout the domain of Shrinedom. Sincere condolences to her family.*  
*P.I.C. Charlie P. Albury*

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**Charlie P. Albury, P.I.C.** - October 31, 2020 at 06:15 PM

HD

“ *Helen Daniels lit a candle in memory of Iris L Moore*



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**Helen Daniels** - October 31, 2020 at 03:46 PM

MJ

“ I remember Iris as a positive cheerful person. Whenever we are able to gather again, you will be missed at our family gatherings. Your memories and your contributions to society will be cherished, but not as much as the love and care you provided your children and grandchildren. Damali and Kali, may God bless you and keep you and your families in His care during these difficult and uncertain times.

Love,  
Auntie Mona and Uncle Alonzo

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**Mona Duffel Jones** - October 31, 2020 at 03:44 PM

SH

“ Iris, having lived a beautiful and full life, now rest in power and peace.



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**Sylvia Hueston** - October 31, 2020 at 02:08 PM

OS

“ Past Imperial Commandress  
Dt. Iris Moore, faithful, with an high reputation religiously faithful, believer will be missed by many.

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**Otilda Smith** - October 31, 2020 at 12:48 AM



“ Cheeseboard Complete was purchased for the family of Iris L Moore.



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October 31, 2020 at 12:29 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Iris L Moore.*



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October 30, 2020 at 10:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Iris L Moore.*



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October 30, 2020 at 02:25 PM



“ *May God's grace bring strength, comfort, and healing during this time of sorrow.*

*Ossipe Court No. 186  
Oasis of Valdosta  
Desert of Georgia*

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**Kizmet Burley** - October 30, 2020 at 10:54 AM



“ *Iris was a Rock with a Kind and Loving Heart.  
She will be missed. May God bless and comfort the Family.*

*Judge Eric R. Myers, #23  
Deputy Imperial Potentate  
from Tampa, Florida*

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**Eric R. Myers** - October 30, 2020 at 08:08 AM

CC

“ We will miss you dearly. You were always cheerful and pleasant. I always noticed your love for family , and your job. I always thought to myself , she drives a distance to work. I knew you loved your job and was a devoted worker. I could see the excitement when your children and grandchildren were there. Across the street I could see your smile and happiness. We all love you and will miss you. Rest in peace

Cheryl Santa Cruze - October 29, 2020 at 10:08 PM

DP

“ Dt. Ernestine Pratt purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Iris L Moore.



Dt. Ernestine Pratt - October 29, 2020 at 09:58 PM

MH

“ I had the distinct pleasure of entertaining Dt. Iris Moore in my home during her visit to Los Angeles, CA where we were able to share and reminisce about some of the good ole days in our order. My prayer is that God will comfort her daughter and the entire family during the loss of their love one.

*Dt. Mary J. Headley, #5, HPIC  
Imperial Consultant Ursula Hines Botts Scholarship*

Mary J. Headley - October 29, 2020 at 09:46 PM

MC

“ *Deepest Sympathies to the family.....So grateful to have met and known such a great blessing of a beautiful woman....* 🙏🙏🙏💜💜💜



Mary Caldwell-Williams - October 29, 2020 at 08:54 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Iris L Moore.*



October 29, 2020 at 07:50 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Iris L Moore.*



October 29, 2020 at 07:11 PM