

Lightfoot, Drake, Lane and Moore

71st Family Reunion

“Our roots run deep, but our love runs deeper”

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Greetings Family!

Once again, we bring you greetings from the Lightfoot, Drake, Lane and Moore (LDLM) Reunion Planning Committee!

It's time to make your travel arrangements with your destination being *Huntsville, Alabama* for the *Lightfoot, Drake, Lane and Moore Family Reunion*. The dates for this year's reunion will be **July 25 - 28, 2019**. As we put the finishing touches to our weekend, we would like to pass on to you all the necessary information about the reunion. Please mark your calendars and plan your vacations accordingly.

The following information is a detailed agenda of activities for the Lightfoot, Drake, Lane and Moore Family Reunion. We're asking that you take a few minutes to read *all* the information in this package and respond accordingly.

Listed below is the reunion agenda, which includes dates and times for the activities for the entire weekend. *Note: If you have any dietary or any other concerns, please inform us prior to your arrival.*

Thursday, July 25, 2019

- **3:00 p.m. - Hotel Check-in**
*Drury Inn & Suites Huntsville at the Space & Rocket Center
93 Wynn Dr. NW
Huntsville, AL 35805
(256) 430-9888*
- **6:00 p.m. - Getting Re-Acquainted**
*House of Alpha Complex
4301 Oakwood Ave. NW
Huntsville, AL 35810*

Friday, July 26, 2019

- **10:00 a.m. - 12 noon Family Tour**
*U.S. Space and Rocket Center
1 Tranquility Center
Huntsville, AL 35805
(256) 837-3400*
- **12:30 p.m. - Lunch T.B.A.**

- **6:30 p.m. - Family Banquet**
Denim, Pearls, & Bow Ties (Casual)
Stone Event Center at Campus No. 805
2620 Clinton Ave W
Huntsville, AL 35805

Saturday, July 27, 2019

- **11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Clara M. Crutcher Memorial Family Fun Day Picnic**
Brahan Spring Park
500 Drake Ave SW
Huntsville, AL 35805
- **3:00 p.m. - Free Time on your own**
 Suggestions may include:
 - Fellowship at Leonard & Brenda's Home @ 7:00 pm
 - Shopping at Bridge Street Town Centre
 - Top Golf
 - Stars and Strikes

Sunday, July 28, 2019

- **11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship Service**
Beaver Dam P.B. Church, Pastor Larry L. Smith
785-A Beaver Dam Road
Toney, AL 35773
(256) 859-9959
- **12:30 p.m. - Brunch / Lunch**
Holiday Inn Huntsville - Research Park
5903 University Drive
Huntsville, AL 35806

Reunion Base Cost

We know that everyone is eager to know what the cost of the activities will be. We have tried to keep the cost to a minimum to ensure the highest participation. The complete cost for the weekend is as follows:

Cost	Ages
FREE	Ages 90 and older
\$125.00	Ages 12 and older
\$45.00	Ages 6 - 11
FREE	Ages 5 and under

Reunion t-shirts this year will be gray. Price for t-shirts are \$10 and will be available in S - 5x. Youth sizes will be available as well in S - XL.

Please **mail** your reunion fees to:

Mrs. Helen Burwell
4901 Blue Haven Dr.
Huntsville, AL 35810

Or send in the form **electronically** to ldlm2019huntsville@gmail.com and pay fees using CashApp: \$ldlmhuntsville2019

Please make all checks/money orders payable to the LDLM Family Reunion. *The deadline for reunion fees will be July 8, 2019.* Please keep in mind that we have financial obligations to meet and it is important that the fees be received within a timely manner.

Accommodations

The Drury Inn & Suites Huntsville at the Space & Rocket Center is conveniently located at I-565 and Old Madison Pike. Your stay will include FREE hot breakfast, Wi-Fi, dinnertime snacks and drinks during the 5:30 Kickback®, soda, popcorn and more. You will also enjoy easy access to attractions such as the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, Bridge Street Town Centre, Huntsville Botanical Garden and more. The deluxe room features two queen bed and comfortable seating. In-room amenities include free Wi-Fi, a TV, microwave, refrigerator, iron and ironing board, hairdryer and coffee maker.

The room rate for a double is \$114.99 per night (taxes not included). Payment for the room accommodations will be your responsibility and your reservations must be made by **June 23, 2019**. Any cancellations must be made 24 hours prior to arrival to avoid billing. Please call 800-325-0720 to make your reservations. When making your reservations, please inform the clerk that you are with the "LDLM Reunion - Group Number 2369457." The \$114.99 per night rate applies to dates July 25-28, 2019.

Bessie E. Lane Memorial Scholarship

Can you imagine how **proud** Ma Bessie would be if she knew we were helping our family members continue their education? **ALL** graduating high school seniors and/or undergraduate students (excluding past participants) that are currently enrolled in college are eligible to apply for the scholarship. Each applicant must write a 200-300-word essay (typed, double-spaced) on "**WHAT FAMILY MEANS TO ME.**" In addition to writing the essay, other pertinent information (transcript w/G.P.A., extra-curricular activities, community outreach, and honors/awards received) should be included with the application.

Local educators who **are not** a part of the family will evaluate the essays. The three highest scoring applicants will be awarded the scholarship. The scholarship application package will be evaluated on the point system. Each applicant may receive up to 70 points. The essay alone will be worth 30 points and the other pertinent information mentioned above will be worth a total of 40 points.

The deadline for submitting the application and all other pertinent information is **July 8, 2019**. **No late submissions will be honored.** The winners will be announced during the banquet on Friday night. During this time, the winners will also be given the opportunity to read their essay. All college and college-bound family members are encouraged to take part in this scholarship program. Please mail your application, essay, etc. to Velendia Burwell (4907 Clardy Road NW ~ Huntsville, AL 35810).

Seed Money

During our last family reunion business session, the family agreed that each household would contribute "family reunion seed money" on a yearly basis. Each household is asked to donate \$100 (\$50 for singles). The money will be given to the next reunion chairperson to be used for deposits, postage, etc. The seed money will be separate from the reunion fees.

East Cemetery Improvement Association

East Cemetery is the family cemetery where Ma Bessie and other family members were laid to rest. This is a friendly reminder that we, as a family (not any particular reunion host committee), agreed that we would assist monetarily with the upkeep cost of the cemetery. An opportunity to make donations will be made available during the reunion.

LDLM Family Website, Facebook and GroupMe Communication:

We will continue to communicate the latest reunion news and updates on the LDLM Family Website - www.ldlmfamily.com. If you are not on the email distribution list, please visit the Family Directory link on the website (top) to provide your contact information. We will provide communication updates on the LDLM Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/ldlmfamily/>. We will also send updates to via GroupMe text messaging. Please join here: https://web.groupme.com/join_group/49803051/JuOFD7tc.

Family Reunion Points of Contacts

Name	Home Number	Cell Number
Bailey, Gearldine	256.232.4224	256.682.0452
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Burwell, Velendia	256.852.3965	256.658.5126
Jones, Kenard		256.665.7609
Jones, Phyllis		256.682.2882
Muckles, Latoya		256.682.2014
Pitts, Lawanda		256.213.6088
Scruggs, Leonard & Brenda	256.721.0682	256.509.2495

Registration Information

Attached you will find a registration form, please take a few moments to provide the requested information and return the forms and reunion fees by the July 8st deadline. If you are aware of family members who did not receive a reunion package via regular mail or email, please contact us so that a package can be forwarded to them.

In closing, we are looking forward to seeing each of you during the weekend of **July 25 - 28, 2019**. Until then, may God continue to shower each of you with His many blessings.

Your family,

LDLM Family Reunion Planning Committee