

Order of Service

Hymn/Song
Opening Sentences
The Invocation
Remembrance & Thanksgiving (Biography)
Prayer
Hymn/Song
Scripture Readings
Prayers of the Church
Benediction
Closing Hymn

Palbearers

Paul Acwil | Thubo Acwil
Tim Kulang | Esam Bilal
Francis Oweti | Noel Kulang
Othwonn Kiir | Awan Angok
Nolan Brown

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
2600 East Mount Hope Avenue
Lansing, Michigan 48910

Family & friends are invited to join us in
honoring & remembering
a life so beautifully lived.
Celebration of Life Reception
3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Clarion Hotel
7501 West Saginaw Highway
Lansing, Michigan 48917

Acknowledgement

The Family of Mrs. Magdalena Edward Dawin wishes to
thank everyone for their love and support during our time
of bereavement. Knowing that one day, everyone will
cross the same threshold, it is comforting to know that in
our time of need, there are special people like you.

"In Memoriam" by William Morecomb

For a second you were flying
Like you always wanted to
Now you'll fly forever
In skies of azure blue
We'll see your smile in every ray
Of sunshine after rain
And hear the echo of your laughter
Over all the pain
The world's a little quieter now
The colours have lost their hue
The birds are singing softly
And our hearts are missing you
Each time we see a little cloud
Or a rainbow soaring high
We'll think of you and gently
Wipe a tear from our eye.



A Light of Grace, A Light That Shines



In Loving Memory of

Mrs. Magdalena Edward Dawin

Sunrise: December 12, 1953 - Sunset: September 27, 2025

Celebration of Life
Saturday, October 11, 2025
10:30 a.m.



Saint Luke Lutheran Church-Meridian Campus
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Officiants: Elamin Banjor, Moses Dangba, Ziret Yohannes



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"We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord." 2 Corinthians 5:8



*In the hush of dawn, she was gently born, To the hills of Panyidway, where hope is sworn.
From Aweng's arms and Edward's name, A life of light from heaven came.*

*The girl from Palo, so humble, so wise, With eyes like the morning and faith that flies.
She walked the path of service and care, In healing hands and whispered prayer.*

*From Lul to Jonglei, her knowledge grew, In Malakal's halls, her calling she knew.
With stethoscope grace and a steady touch, She served the sick, loved all as much.*

*She sang for God in a foreign land, Founded a choir with a faithful hand.
At Saint Luke's altar her voice took flight, She led with kindness, clothed in light.*

*A mother of six, strong in her stance, With love that gave her children a chance.
Angar, Achan, Nyabol too, Acwil, Paul, and Thubo; each heart she knew.*

*Auntie to many, pillar so dear, She dried the sorrow, calmed the fear.
She never raised her voice to teach, Yet with her silence, hearts she'd reach.*

*Through storms of grief, through cancer's pain, She walked with God through every strain.
A warrior wrapped in robes of peace, Her courage bloomed and did not cease.*

*Now Heaven's gates have opened wide, And saints sing welcome on the other side.
She joins her love, her Philip Acwil true, In golden fields, beneath skies of blue.*

*No more sorrow, no more tears, Just perfect joy that casts out fears.
We miss her voice, her gentle tone, Yet know in Christ, she's not alone.*

*So let us rise with hearts unbowed, Let praises lift, let hymns be loud.
For Magdalena lives; her light not gone, But rising now with endless dawn.*

*Forever cherished. Eternally remembered.
May her legacy of faith, healing, and love live on in each of us.*



Mrs. Magdalena Edward Dawin

A Light of Grace, A Light That Shines

It is with deep sorrow and profound love that we announce the passing of our beloved Magdalena Edward Dawin, who departed this life on September 27, 2025, surrounded by family with immense love.

A beautiful and devoted widow, Magdalena dedicated her life to nurturing her children and selflessly extending that same care to her nieces and nephews. She was the pillar of strength and love in our family, a gentle guide whose wisdom was always shared with kindness and patience. Soft-spoken by nature, she never needed to raise her voice to teach or correct; instead, her compassion and quiet strength spoke louder than words ever could.

Her unwavering faith was the foundation of her life. A devout Catholic, Magdalena lived out her beliefs with humility, grace, and service. She was the pioneering founder of the Sudanese Church and New Grace Choir in Lansing Michigan currently operating at Saint Luke Lutheran Church- Christ Campus, a spiritual home that continues to serve and unite the community she loved so deeply. Through her dedication to God and the Church, she left a legacy of faith that will continue to inspire generations.

Magdalena's life was also a testament to her resilience and courage. She bravely battled cancer for 4 years, facing stage 4 with unshakable faith, dignity, and grace. Through every challenge, she remained steadfast, a true fighter whose strength inspired everyone who knew her.

Above all, Magdalena was a devoted mother and a loving presence whose warmth will be deeply missed by all whose lives she touched. Though our hearts ache with her absence, we are comforted by the promise of Scripture: "We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord." 2 Corinthians 5:8

Magdalena's legacy of love, strength, faith, and gentle spirit will live on forever in the hearts of her children, family, friends, and all who were blessed to know her.

She is survived by 6 children, 8 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild, 21 nieces, 16 nephews and other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Philip Acwil Kulang.