

Active Pallbearers

Jacob Gasaway
KC Gasaway
Jonathan Charles

Eric Clark
Elliot Clark Jr.
Joshua Clark

Honorary Pallbearers

Keddrick Gasaway
Henry Clark
Byron Gasaway
Billy Gasaway

Arnold J. Declouet
Richard Clark
Sean Declouet
Joseph Charles

Services Lovingly Entrusted To:

FONDEL FUNERAL HOME
832 North Lyon Street
Lake Charles, LA 70601
(337) 433-1707

Interment

NEW RITCHIE CEMETERY
1775 Paul Bellon Road
Lake Charles, LA 70611

Acknowledgments

The family of Eula Marie (Clark) Declouet deeply appreciates the kindness and support we have received. We are grateful for your phone calls, visits, encouragement, cards, flowers, and prayers. We also extend our heartfelt thanks to Constance Donegal, to Pastor Joey Robert, Desiree' Harris, Monica Lavine & St. Joseph Hospice for their compassionate care and responsiveness -for our mother. We thank you all and send our love.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF *Eula Marie Declouet*



ALPHA
April 5, 1925

SERVICES
Saturday, April 18, 2026

OMEGA
April 5, 2026

VISITATION: 8:00 AM -10:00 AM
FUNERAL: 10:30 AM
JAMES FUNERAL HOME
1801 Moeling Street
Lake Charles, LA 70601
Bishop Larry Gasaway, Officiating

Obituary

Our Matriarch & Mother, Eula Marie (Clark) Declouet, 101 years of age was born on Palm Sunday morning on April 5, 1925, in Sweetlake, La. and departed this life on Easter Sunday morning April 5, 2026.

She was the eldest of 10 children. She met and married the love of her life Latin J. Declouet in 1947 and in that union 3 children were born, Latin Jr, Betty Jean, and Arnold James Declouet.

She left Louisiana in 1962 moved to Pacoima, California and live there until 1980. She moved back to Lake Charles, La. to help care totter mother.

Our mother was a woman of strength, wisdom and kindness. She had a contagious smile and loved the Lord. She didn't send us to church; she brought us to church. She accepted Christ as her personal Savior. She had a contagious compassion and warmth toward others and loved to cook. She was greatly loved by family. When it was time to celebrate for holidays and Sunday meals, it was always a feast. She taught us to always enjoy each other's company. She taught us to always confirm our truths in our lives with God and to always acknowledge the Lord, to let the Lord handle the matters in our lives daily. Daily she would read & study her bible. Very strong in her faith concerning the Lord.

She worked as a Certified Nursing Assistant and at Price Pfister on the assembly line for many years before retiring. Worked two jobs at times to provide for her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Willie and Julia Celestine-Clark; her husband, Latin J Declouet; her son, Latin J. Declouet, Jr. and grandson Devin Grant; her siblings Joseph Donald Clark, Ella Clark-Moore, Stanley Clark, Rose Clark-Charles, Elliot Clark, Sr., Louise Clark-King, Horace Guillory-Clark, Wilford Lee Clark and Johnny Clark.

She leaves to cherish her memories, Betty Declouet-Gasaway (Billy), and Arnold James Declouet (Rosa) and her youngest brother, Henry Clark-Palmdale, California; her (8) grandchildren, (23) great grandchildren and (10) great-great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Last but certainly not least with five (5) generations between them Kamari and his great-great grandmother would continually have conversations at her bedside laughing, talking and hugs all the time.



I am home in Heaven dear ones;
Oh, so *happy and bright!*

There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.

All pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;

I am now at
peace forever.

Safely home in Heaven at last.

There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand,

Do it now, while life remaineth -

You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed,

He will gently call you Home;

Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh the joy to see you come!



Tributes...

Tribute to Our Mother

You were the love of our lives—what words can truly capture how we wish you farewell, or express our hope to meet again? You stood as our foundation and gave us strength. Through your guidance, we learned to care and share with each other and those around us. Your discipline was firm, making it clear when you meant business. The mother - daughter talks we've shared. There are simply no words that encompass the sorrow and emptiness we feel. Your laughter and radiant smile brightened every space, and your advice helped us face life's challenges. Thank you for everything for teaching us our prayers and seeing to it that we prayed every night before going to bed. You taught us how to be good managers on what we had. We're deeply grateful to God for blessing us with your presence all these years, we're grateful that God chose you to be our mother and we knew you truly loved us. We will miss you, Moma; your memory will forever remain in our hearts.



From Your Grandchildren

Today, we come together to honor and remember our grandmother.

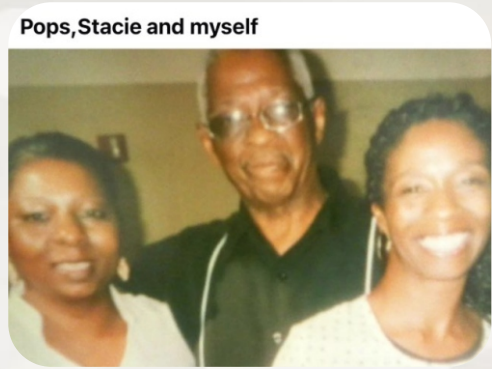
We all had our own version of what we called you—Grandma, Momo Rie, and Lapin'—names that each held their own memories, their own moments, and their own kind of love.

You were the matriarch of our family, the heart of our family—strong, loving, and full of character. You believed in tough love, and whether we liked it or not at the time, it shaped us into who we are today. And when you switched to speaking French, we knew you really meant business.

You showed your love in so many ways, especially through your cooking—waking up to couche-couche in the morning and jalaperio greens with salt pork in the evening. Some of our best memories are around your table, where no one ever left hungry and everyone felt at home.

Living to 101 years old, you gave us a lifetime of lessons, strength, and love. Grandma, thank you for everything you poured into us. We will carry that with us forever. We love you always. Rest peacefully.

Precious Memories...



Pops, Stacie and myself



Order of Service

Saturday, April 18, 2026
11:00 AM

Call to Worship Bishop Larry Gasaway

Musical Selection

Scripture Readings
Old Testament Pastor Warren G. Thomas
Ralpha Christian Fellowship
New Testament Minister Terry Gasaway
Christians of Eternal Faith Ministry

Prayer Pulpit

Selection Minister Gregory Schlesinger

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Expression Shirley Pete

Proclamation City of Lake Charles

Song Minister Gregory Schlesinger

Eulogy Asst. Pastor Keddrick Gasaway
Christians of Eternal Faith Ministry

Recessional

Repast
KPC HALL
2526 Opelousas Street
Lake Charles, LA 70601

