



Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr.

November 18, 1938 - August 11, 2025

Deacon Jerome P. Collins, Sr.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM Saturday, August 16, 2025 at Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church in Opelousas, LA, for Deacon Jerome P. Collins, Sr., 86, who entered eternal rest, Monday, August 11, 2025 at Ochsner Lafayette General Medical Center.

Interment will be in St. Landry Catholic Cemetery. Rev. Monsignor Keith DeRouen, Deacon Harold Vincent and Deacon Bill Pollingue will co-celebrate the Mass of Christian burial.

Deacon Collins is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Sylvia Collins of Opelousas, LA; four sons, Jerome Collins, Jr. (Jeanette) of Opelousas, LA, Kenneth Marc Collins (Lisa) of Pearland, TX, Patrick Collins of Opelousas, LA and Chad Collins (Christina) of Missouri City, TX; one daughter, Jennifer Broussard (Jacques) of Baytown, TX; one brother, Joseph Collins (Cheryl) of Opelousas, LA; one sister, Louise Vincent (Harold) of New Orleans, LA; eleven grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Deacon Collins was preceded in death by his parents, Erwin and Lucille Collins; one brother, Charles Collins; two sisters, Elaine Dartez and Jacqueline Green.

Visiting hours will be observed from 9:00 AM to 10:45 AM Saturday, August 16, 2025 at Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church.

Share words of comfort with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.net

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Williams Funeral Home of Opelousas,
337-942-2037.

Tribute Wall

ED

“ *Sylvia and family our love and heartfelt sympathy. Jerome was cousin to Merlin and my other husband (smile). I was always mistaken for you and that was our giggle whenever we met. I will miss his humor and hugs. He will be fondly miss by all who knew him.*

Eleanor and Merlin Donatto

Eleanor Donatto - August 16, 2025 at 05:29 PM

GS

“ *Glenn & Peggy Stewart, Dorothy Stewart lit a candle in memory of Jerome Collins*



Glenn & Peggy Stewart, Dorothy Stewart - August 16, 2025 at 01:58 PM

MW

“ *Deacon Collins was such a good servant and man of God. Oh how we will miss him. Words cannot begin to describe how much we'll miss this gentle giant. My prayers for the family of this wonderful kind soul. May he rest in eternal peace*



Mary M Willis - August 16, 2025 at 12:30 PM

FC

“ *One of the best men and deacons that I have known. God bless Jerome!!!*

Fred Credeur - August 16, 2025 at 08:11 AM

JF

“ *Jerilyn Fontenot lit a candle in memory of Jerome Collins*



Jerilyn Fontenot - August 16, 2025 at 08:01 AM

CS

“ *His sister Jackie & I graduated from high school together & were best friends. He would chauffeur me back home after spending the night. Those are fond memories because he was so generous. Loved spending time with the family. My condolences to all the family & may you find peace in all the memories you shared. RIP Jerome you will be missed 🙏🕊️*

Cynthia Donato Simpson

Cynthia Donato Simpson - August 15, 2025 at 05:59 PM

PB

“ *"The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart. And He saves those who are broken in spirit." Psalm 34:18.*

Sending heartfelt condolences to you Mrs. Collins, Mr. Patrick, family and friends who are grieving the transistion of your loved one. May the love and memories you shared over the years bring you comfort, peace and strength during the moments were you miss him in the physical.

Pam Bezue - August 15, 2025 at 01:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..



August 15, 2025 at 12:52 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..



August 15, 2025 at 11:36 AM



“ *Frank & Claudette Duckless and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..*



Frank & Claudette Duckless and family - August 15, 2025 at 09:46 AM



“ *Frank & Claudette Duckless and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..*

Frank & Claudette Duckless and family - August 15, 2025 at 09:46 AM

SH

“ I have very fond memories of Jerome & Sylvia at our annual band gumbo fund raisers. He was always so good to me. My heart and prayers go out to Sylvia, Chad and the rest of the family. Susan Holden

Susan L Holden - August 15, 2025 at 08:37 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..

August 14, 2025 at 10:45 PM

DC

“ Bro. Ken Collins and Family, sending God's Grace and Peace to you and the family.

-Praying

Darrell Cummings - August 14, 2025 at 10:42 PM

MB

“ Our condolences to the Collins family . May Deacon rest in peace. He will be missed. Patrick and Margaret Barnaba



Margaret Barnaba - August 14, 2025 at 10:06 PM



“ *Renita Donatto lit a candle in memory of Jerome Collins*



Renita Donatto - August 14, 2025 at 04:20 PM

MB

Such a presence. A man of God. His faith was easily seen .

Mary A Babineaux - August 14, 2025 at 11:48 PM

CP

“ *Carol Phefferkorn lit a candle in memory of Jerome Collins*



Carol Phefferkorn - August 14, 2025 at 03:48 PM

LG

“ *Rest in Peace. You have many of the best of the best there to greet you with open arms and love. Well done good and faithful servant of the Lord. Rest.*

Lana Green - August 14, 2025 at 01:00 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..*



August 14, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..

August 14, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..



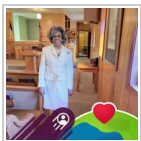
August 14, 2025 at 08:09 AM



“ Deacon Collins was kind enough to bless our marriage in 2017. We came in from out of town to have a service that all of our family could attend and he was gracious enough to volunteer when we had our special date in mind. He had a great sense of humor and an unforgettable delivery. He made our day so very special. Our deepest condolences to his family in this difficult time.



Ace & Allix Garcia - August 14, 2025 at 12:43 AM



“ Georgian Harris Stevens lit a candle in memory of Jerome Collins



Georgian Harris Stevens - August 13, 2025 at 09:41 PM

BS

“ *My deepest condolences to the family.*

Bernice Smith - August 13, 2025 at 07:49 PM

CM

“ *Charmaine McMillen purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Deacon Jerome Paul Collins Sr..*



Charmaine McMillen - August 13, 2025 at 06:12 PM

CW

“ *Mr Collins was a neighbor with my parents on service road in Opelousas La and also was a member of Holy Ghost High School he was a basketball player*

Cynthia Collins Williams - August 13, 2025 at 06:04 PM

JM

“ *Condolences to the Collins family. Deacon Collins was a great person and very kind. May his Soul Rest In Peace. Will keep the family in my prayers. Joyce Gales Milburn*

Joyce Milburn - August 13, 2025 at 05:19 PM

RM

“ *Rosalie Meullion lit a candle in memory of Jerome Collins*



Rosalie Meullion - August 13, 2025 at 02:04 PM