



## Mrs. Marie M. "Martha" Charles

March 12, 1927 - July 16, 2024

Mrs. Marie M. "Martha" Charles

Funeral services will be held at Holy Ghost Catholic Church in Opelousas, LA on July 27, 2024 at 10:00 AM for Marie Mathilda "Martha" Charles. Fr. Manie Manuel SVD will be conducting the mass of Christian Burial. Marie entered eternal rest at the age of 97 on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at Lafon Nursing Home in New Orleans, LA with her daughter, Carol A. Cantey by her side. Interment will take place at St. Leo the Great Cemetery in Leonville, LA with Fr. Darren Eldridge officiating.

Marie was born to Sanders Lazare and Francis Marcel Lazare of Leonville, LA on March 12, 1927. Marie was married to the late Joseph A. Charles. To this union, 8 children were born. She is survived by two sons, Gerald J. Charles of Virginia, Roland J. Charles of Houston, and two daughters, Theresa M. Charles of Houston and Carol A. Cantey of Dallas. She is also survived by 9 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, one sister, Sister Henrietta Lazare (nee Helen), one sister-in-law, Verdna M. Lazare and a host of nieces, nephews and beloved relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Francis Marcel Lazare and Sanders Lazare, her husband, Joseph A. Charles, three sons, Joseph Charles, Antoine Charles, and Joseph H. Charles, one daughter, Sister M. Joseph Charles (nee Thelma), three brothers, Willie Lazare, Sr., Carlton Lazare, and Preston Lazare, Uncle and Godfather, Benoit Marcel, Sr., three aunts, Clara Lazare, Mable Keys, and Louise Roberts, her mother-in-law, father-in-law, 4 sisters-in-law and 3 brothers-in-law.

Visiting hours will be observed on Saturday, July 27, 2024 from 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM at Williams Funeral Home. A Rosary will be recited during the visitation.

Share words of comfort with the family at [www.williamsfuneralhomes.net](http://www.williamsfuneralhomes.net)  
Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Williams Funeral Home of Opelousas, 337-942-2037.

# Tribute Wall

EH

“ *Eva Johnson Hebert lit a candle in memory of Marie M. Charles*



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**Eva Johnson Hebert** - July 27, 2024 at 04:41 PM

GN

“ *Please accept my sincere condolences*



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**Gloria Ned** - July 25, 2024 at 11:30 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marie M. "Martha" Charles.*



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July 25, 2024 at 04:45 PM

CJ

“ *Please accept my sincere condolences. Charles Jagneaux*



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**Charles Jagneaux** - July 25, 2024 at 09:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marie M. "Martha" Charles.*



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July 24, 2024 at 10:17 PM



“ *Benedict Lazare and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Marie M. "Martha" Charles.*

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**Benedict Lazare and Family** - July 24, 2024 at 01:41 PM



“ *Benedict Lazare and Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Marie M. "Martha" Charles.*



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**Benedict Lazare and Family** - July 24, 2024 at 01:41 PM



“ *Carol Cantey lit a candle in memory of Marie M. Charles*



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**Carol Cantey** - July 24, 2024 at 01:15 PM

GS

“ Georgia Harris Stevens lit a candle in memory of Marie M. Charles



Georgia Harris Stevens - July 24, 2024 at 03:25 AM

RM

“ Rosalie Meullion lit a candle in memory of Marie M. Charles



Rosalie Meullion - July 23, 2024 at 04:23 PM

AG

“ Allen & Pearlina Gradnigo lit a candle in memory of Marie Charles



Allen & Pearlina Gradnigo - July 23, 2024 at 01:49 PM



“ I love you mama! May you rest in heavenly peace!

Carol Cantey - July 23, 2024 at 01:14 PM