



Katherine Hagans Clark

August 1, 1937 - November 13, 2025

Katherine Hagans Clark; Minnie Jean Hagans at birth, 88, of Charlotte NC, transcended peacefully on Thursday Nov. 13th 2025.

Katherine was born on August 1st 1937 to the late Howard and Clara Hagans in Wilson NC. She was the sixth child of eight siblings, all of whom except one, preceded her in death. Cleo Barnes (Luther/Luke), Thelma Harris (Albert/Bubba), Vera Donatien, Benjamin Benny Hagans (Olivia), Geraldine Woodard (Sylvester/Seal), Mary Hart, and Alton Hagans. Katherine is survived by her baby sister; Essie Debbie Hagans Proctor (Charles).

Known to most as Kat, Katherine was given her nickname by her father; Howard. He felt her behavior often times was cat-like, as in affectionate, but could also become quite temperamental.

Katherine was educated in Wilson County Schools and graduated from Darden High School. Artistic in many ways, after graduation Katherine left Wilson NC and headed to New York to pursue her love for design. She would attend the Fashion Institute of Technology College in New York. Her time at FIT was short lived when she met and began a romantic relationship with Stanley Clark of Brooklyn New York by-way of Portsmouth Virginia.

Their union blessed the couple with their first of four children, on July 1st 1959

Katherine and Stanley would give birth to a daughter, Kim Gwendolyn Clark, four years later a second daughter was born; Karen Clark, and two years later they would give birth to their baby girl Jacqueline Clark. Katherine was preceded in death by their last child...a son; Stanley Horace Clark Jr..

A devoted wife and mother Katherine put her passions on hold and poured into her family, but eventually she and Stanleys union would come to an end. In the fall of 1973 Katherine along with her four children would up-root their entire lives and move to Charlotte NC were her oldest and younger sister resided. Resilient and devoted, the now single mother leaned on her faith. In her early years, she'd accepted Christ as her savior and was baptized as a young girl. In a repentant frame of mind, she realized she needed her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for direction. Her faith led her to the Church; Chapel Memorial Baptist Church on Hoskins Avenue. As a devout Christian, her church family became an intricate part of her life as she was now raising her children alone.

Katherine worked as a seamstress at Soderberg Textiles, and went on to work for many years in alterations at Ivey's (Dillards) Downtown Charlotte. She would work various part-time jobs within her talents to make ends meet. While working at Montaldo's; an upscale boutique in downtown Charlotte, she would do alterations for most of the local TV anchors, her impressive skill and undeniable talent were recognized and appreciated, this led her to start her own in-home business, where she no longer only did alterations but she made custom clothing as well.

In 1993 Katherines life would change in a way unimaginable to any mother. Her only sons life was suddenly taken. Three months earlier her sixth grandchild was born. A little boy who was the namesake of her son Stanley. Katherine went on to raise little Stanley as her own.

By 2004, Katherine retired and spent most of her time doing the things that brought her the most joy. She attended Church functions (now a member at Littlerock AME Zion), sang on the choir, attended gatherings with family and she wrote; a passion she'd tapped into in her early thirties. At seventy-three, she published a compilation of poems entitled "Expressions of Poetry in Season" in-which she dedicated to her offspring present and future.

Katherine leaves to cherish her memory, her three daughters, Kim Clark of Charlotte NC, Karen Clark Farrar (Orlando) of Charlotte NC, and Jaki Clark Murrell of Columbia SC.

Katherine's legacy lives on through her eight grand-children: Kimula Brown (Artavius) of Charlotte NC, Rebah Clark of Charlotte NC, Orlando (OJ) Farrar Jr. of Charlotte NC, Christian Lyles of Atlanta Georgia, Stanley Caudahy Clark of Wilson NC, Stanley Horace Clark III of Charlotte NC, Johnny Michael Howzer of Alaska, and Michael Johnner Howzer of Wilson NC.

She is also survived by her ten great grandchildren and one great-great granddaughter, and a host of nieces and nephews, extended family and friends who will forever cherish her memory.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Cemetery

1615 Oaklawn Ave
Charlotte, NC 28216
(704) 336-2123

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

A.E. Grier & Sons Funeral and Cremation, LLC.
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Celebration of Life Service

NOV **22**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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Delores Alvarado - November 21, 2025 at 03:54 AM

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“ Delores Alvarado lit a candle in memory of Katherine Clark



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