



Clarene Surratt Hartzo

October 17, 1939 - October 5, 2023

Clarene Surratt Hartzo, known affectionately as "Mama," entered into eternal rest at the age of 83 on October 5, 2023. She was a beloved daughter, devoted wife, caring sister, loving Mama, cherished Memaw, and a second mother to many who affectionately called her "Mama Hartzo."

Clarene was born on October 17, 1939 in Linden, TX to Robert L. Surratt and Grace O. William Surratt. She married her one true love, Pascal L. Hartzo, on December 23, 1958. Together, they established a residence in Huntsville in 1966 and raised 3 children.

Clarene's love for Christ was a guiding light in her life and her faith was source of strength and comfort to those who knew her. She selflessly dedicated herself to caring for many of Huntsville's children, treating each one as if they were her own. Her daycare became a second home for many, where young minds were nurtured with love, kindness, and compassion.

Clarene was a quiet, nurturing, and loving woman. Her fondest memories were the times when the entire family would come together and being surrounded by the laughter and joy of the children, she so cherished.

Clarene's legacy is not only one of love and care but also of faith and unwavering devotion. She touched the lives of countless individuals with her warmth and generosity, leaving an indelible mark on all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Mrs. Hartzo was predeceased by Parents; Robert Lee Surratt and Grace Odell Williams Surratt Roden, Sister; Jewel Faye Surratt, Beloved husband of

60 years; Pascal Lee Hartzo, and Niece; Linda Brashier Thompson. She is survived by her siblings; Willa "Deanie" Surratt Brashier and daughter Charlene Brashier Schisser, and Melvin "Leon" Surratt. Children; Gary L. Hartzo and wife Stacey Stewart Hartzo, Tony C. Hartzo and wife Debbie Schellenger Hartzo, and Pamela K. Hartzo Place and husband Paul J. Place. Seven grandchildren; Leslie M. Hartzo King, Christopher C. Hartzo and wife Kendra Kinney Hartzo, Jacob A. Hartzo and wife Amanda Hartzo, Devin N. Place Harman and husband Samuel J. Harman, Kelli J. Hartzo Kocurek and husband Jake Kocurek, Christi L. Hartzo, Keena A. Place Salisbury and husband Scott Salisbury. Five Great-Grandchildren; Karlee J. King, Charley K. King, Leighton E.R. Harman, Oliver J. Harman, and Elliot M. Salisbury. In her passing, Clarene leaves behind a lifetime of beautiful memories and a profound impact on the hearts of those she loved. She will be deeply missed but forever remembered for the love, light, and nurturing spirit she brought into the world.

Visitation is scheduled for Friday, October 20, 2023 at 5:00 PM- 7:00 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, TX.

Graveside Services to celebrate Clarene's life will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at Slaughter Cemetery in Rodessa, LA at 2:00 PM.

May her soul find eternal peace, and may her memory continue to inspire and comfort us all.

Memorial condolences may be made to the family online at www.shmfh.com

Previous Events

The family will receive friends and relatives

OCT **20**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340

Graveside Service

OCT **21**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Slaughter Cemetery
Rodessia, LA

Tribute Wall



“ Gary, Tony, and Pam I have so many great memories of your parents that always brings a smile. They will always have a special place in my heart.
Condolences and prayers
Love Vickie Knight-Denyer

Vickie - October 21, 2023 at 11:20 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Clarene Surratt Hartzo.



October 19, 2023 at 05:19 PM



“ Gary, Tony, and Pam so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. The Hayden family sends its heart felt condolences to the Hartzo family. Our thoughts and prayers will be with y'all.

Keith Hayden - October 19, 2023 at 11:53 AM



“ Adoration Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Clarene Surratt Hartzo.



October 16, 2023 at 07:45 PM

CF

“ Clemons Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Clarene Surratt Hartzo.



Clemons Family - October 16, 2023 at 10:14 AM

TF

“ The Clemons Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clarene Surratt Hartzo.

The Clemons Family - October 16, 2023 at 10:07 AM

TF

“ The Clemons Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Clarene Surratt Hartzo.



The Clemons Family - October 16, 2023 at 10:07 AM

MH

“ Marvin Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Clarene Surratt Hartzo



Marvin Hyvl - October 14, 2023 at 10:42 AM

LH

“ Gary, Tony, and Pam and all your families, we are so sorry to hear about Clarene. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Leonard and I will always remember all the love and care that she gave Jay, Jana, and Josh. We were blessed to have found her for daycare. She and all your family quickly became like family to all of us. I hope all your wonderful memories will bring you comfort. Love to all of you.

Leonard and Linda Haley

Linda Halet - October 13, 2023 at 04:34 PM

BK

Pam, Tony, and Gary and to your family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Your mom was so good to so many kids and I'm sure they will forever remember "Hartzo" and her love for them! I remember those "overnight parties" she would have with the girls. I will always remember your mom with loving thoughts. She was a special lady!!

Betty Kirkland

Betry Kirkland - October 15, 2023 at 11:00 PM

EA

Dear Pam, Gary, Debbie, Tony and families: My condolences to you all for the loss of Mrs . Hartzo. She was a wonderful mother, friend, and neighbor to my family. Every Friday night we talked and admired our families as they skated round and round. She will be sorely missed. God bless you all.

Elaine Allen - October 17, 2023 at 06:47 PM

SW

Pam, Tony, Gary I'm sorry for the passing of your Mother. My prayers are with you and your family.

sandra Whitener - October 20, 2023 at 08:24 PM

SM

“ Gary, Tony, and Pam, please accept my sincere condolences on the loss of your mother. I pray peace and comfort for you and your family.



Susan McGilberry - October 13, 2023 at 02:18 PM