

**God Is**

**"James Cleveland"**

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God is the joy and the strength of my life  
He moves all pain misery and strife  
He promised to keep me never to leave me  
And he has never ever come short of his word!  
I have to fast and pray, stay in his narrow way,  
keep my life clean every day,  
I want to go with him when he comes back  
I come to far and I'll never turn back,  
God is my all and all!



### **In Gratitude**

The family wants to thank you for all the love and support that has been showered upon us at this time. This journey without our beloved one being physically present with us will be new; however, she will continue to lead us and guide us through all she has taught and instilled in us as our protecting angel Mama, we love and cherish you forever!

### **Arrangements Were Entrusted to:**

*Gregory Funeral Service, Inc.*  
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*In loving Remembrance of*



*Helen Jean Tolliver Clark*

**Sunrise**  
January 28, 1960

**Sunset**  
March 4, 2025

Gregory Funeral Service Chapel  
601 N. York Street  
Gastonia, North Carolina

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**SUNDAY; MARCH 9, 2025**  
**2:30 PM**

**Reverend Donna Tolliver, Officiating**



# Order of Service

**Processional**  
2:00 PM

**Receiving of Family and Friends**  
2:00-2:30 PM

**Call to worship**  
Rev. Donna Tolliver

**Invocation**  
Rev. Donna Tolliver

**Opening Hymn**  
What A Fellowship

**Scripture reading**  
Old Testament Minister April Bryant  
New Testament Elder Jermaine Melton

**Prayer of comfort**  
Elder Jermaine Melton

**Selection**  
David Tolliver

**Remarks**  
Edith Odum  
Theresa Hopkins  
Donald Clark

**Selection**  
David Tolliver

**Words of Comfort**  
Rev. Donna Tolliver

**Recessional**



## Life Reflections

January 28, 1960 – March 4, 2025



With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Helen Jean Tolliver Clark, who departed this life on Tuesday; March 4, 2025, at the age of 65. Helen was a devoted and loving mother, a cherished grandmother, and a dear friend to many. She loved God and spent her life taking care of others.

Helen is survived by her beloved husband, Ernest Clark, and her children: Shannon Adams McDowell (Troy McDowell), Justin Clark (Keara Clark), Jasmin Hopkins (Myciah Hopkins), Jarkevious Hopkins, Shonita Hopper, Ernest Hopper, and her Goddaughter Joylynn Jones.

She was a proud and adoring grandmother to Tucocoe, Tihaley, Keziah, Jyran, Azalyn, Nalaia, Jaxon, Jace, Alexis, Josh, Kennedy, Julian, Jastin, Jakallen, Malijah, Elijah, King, Mya, Melody, Great grandchildren Milani, and Akiyah. Along with many others who lovingly called her "Grammy Jean."

Helen was the beloved daughter and preceded in death by Helen Sue Tolliver and Isaiah Charles, the granddaughter of Ruth Hambright, siblings Sandra Little, Roosevelt Tolliver, Michael Tolliver (Phyllis), Elizabeth Magness, Margret Charles, Benjamin Charles, Sylvester Charles, and James Brown.

She leaves behind a legacy of love and memories cherished by her surviving siblings: David Tolliver (Donna), Deborah Adams, Linda Melton (Jermaine), Edith Odum, Boyce Tolliver, Richard Tolliver, Irene Scott (Johnnie), Darwin K Magness, Brenda Clark, George Clark (Gilda), Donald Clark (Sharon), Rosie Clark, and Linda Bush (Lavoir), Irene Roberts, also remembered by her mother-in-law, Lillie Ruth Clark, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and special friends who all held a special place in her heart.

Helen's selfless and loving nature touched the lives of everyone she met. She was a beacon of kindness and warmth, always putting others before herself. Her generosity and compassion will be dearly missed but never forgotten.

Her legacy of love will continue to shine brightly in the hearts of those who were blessed to know her.

"Those we love don't go away; they walk beside us every day."

