



## Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington

December 29, 2024

Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington, 96, of New Orleans, Louisiana, passed away on December 29, 2024 of natural causes.

Fay was born on July 26, 1928 as the second oldest of ten children to Clinton Hayes and Ernestine Alexis in New Orleans, Louisiana. After Fay graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in 1946, she went on to become a Licensed Vocational Nurse, or LVN.

Fay started her first job at Haskell in New Orleans at 14 years old after “misrepresenting” her true age, and worked as a seamstress upon moving to Los Angeles, California, before attending night school together with her sister Una to learn nursing. She went on to work at Lincoln Hospital on Soto Street in Boyle Heights, Los Angeles for over 25 years.

In 1948, Fay married Edward Joseph Washington of Donaldsonville, Louisiana, himself from a family of twelve children. Fay and Edward went on to have three children, Marilyn Washington, Peggy Dow, and Kirk Washington; five grandchildren, Una Dow, Ronald Dow Jr., Margo Diego, Wade Washington, and Jessica Washington; and five great-grandchildren, Jordan McKenzie, Morgan Dow, Christopher Dow, Journey Diego, and Edward Diego Jr.

In 1983, Fay retired, moved back to New Orleans to care for her mother Ernestine, then her father Clinton until their passing, and spent her time with family, and babysitting, caring for, and assisting with raising the next generation of the Hayes family.

Fay was preceded in death by her husband Edward Washington and daughter Marilyn Washington. She is survived by her children Peggy Dow, and Kirk Washington.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend Funeral Services honoring the life of Mrs. Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington at Duplain W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave. New Orleans, LA on Monday, January 6, 2025, at 1:00 pm. Visitation will begin at 12:00pm until 1:00pm. Interment: Mount Olivet Cemetery. Arrangements by Duplain W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave., New Orleans, LA 70125. Please visit [www.rhodesfuneral.com](http://www.rhodesfuneral.com) to sign the online guestbook, share memories, and condolences to the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery

4000 Norman Mayer Ave.  
New Orleans, LA 70122

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 6. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Rhodes Funeral Home - Washington Avenue  
3933 Washington Avenue  
New Orleans, LA 70125  
(504) 822-7162  
<https://www.rhodesfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

JAN 6. 1:00 PM (CT)

Rhodes Funeral Home - Washington Avenue  
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New Orleans, LA 70125  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest sympathy to the Washington and Hayes Families. Our greatest honor and privilege was to celebrate with Fay on her 95th birthday. May she rest in peace.

The Alvin Haynes Sr Family - January 11, 2025 at 05:17 PM

PR

“ Sending prayers to our family during this time.  
Much love.  
Paul & Judy Rochon  
Phoenix AZ



paul rochon - January 07, 2025 at 02:52 PM

HT

“ Praying for your family during this difficult time of loss. Fay rests with the Savior. Lean on faith and one another.

Holly Haydel Terrie - January 06, 2025 at 04:29 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington.

January 06, 2025 at 04:14 PM

VL

“ My heartfelt sympathy to Peggy Dow and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Vanessa Labyzon

Vanessa Labyzon - January 06, 2025 at 04:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington.*



January 06, 2025 at 04:09 PM



“ *Warren and Ollie purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington.*



**Warren and Ollie** - January 06, 2025 at 10:44 AM



“ *Clora V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington.*

**Clora V.** - January 06, 2025 at 09:53 AM



“ *The Diego Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington.*



**The Diego Family** - January 04, 2025 at 12:01 PM

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“ The Diego Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington.

The Diego Family - January 04, 2025 at 12:01 PM

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“ Fowlkes / Roberts Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington.



Fowlkes / Roberts Family - January 04, 2025 at 11:21 AM

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“ Fowlkes / Roberts Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Fay Madeline Hayes-Washington.

Fowlkes / Roberts Family - January 04, 2025 at 11:21 AM