



Yvonne Marie Delahoussaye

July 23, 2025

With grace and quiet dignity, Yvonne Marie Delahoussaye entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, July 23, 2025, at the age of 73. Born on March 3, 1952, in New Orleans, Louisiana, she was the beloved daughter of the late Richard Delahoussaye and Viola Lainez. Yvonne was the third of four children, growing up in a home filled with strong faith, laughter, and deep family bonds. She was preceded in death by her grandparents Florence and Angelo Lainez; her parents Viola L. and Richard Delahoussaye; her brother Albert J.

Delahoussaye; her aunts Virginia, Albertine Lainez, Verna Turner (Calvin), Teresa Brown (George); her uncles Angelo, Leo, Albert, and Joseph Lainez Sr.; her niece Karla J. Boyd; and her great-nephew Karl G. Boyd.

Left to cherish her memory and thank God for the time we had are her loving sisters, Joycelyn D. Boyd and Cynthia D. Mondy; her niece, Consuela “Connie” M. Taylor; her nephew, Alvin C. Merritt Boyd III (Dionne); her great-nephew, Alvin C. Merritt Boyd IV; her dearest friend Patricia V. Lewis and family, James L. Payne; and a host of cousins, friends, and church family who will forever remember her grace, kindness, and radiant spirit.

Yvonne was baptized and confirmed at All Saints Catholic Church, where she remained a devoted member. She faithfully served in the Altar Society and Health & Wellness ministries, offering her time and compassion in service to others. Her unwavering faith was both a guiding light and a quiet strength.

Yvonne was a proud alumna of All Saints Catholic School (Class of 1966) and St. Mary’s Academy High School. She built a meaningful career as a customer

service representative with South Central Bell/AT&T, where she was known for her warmth and professionalism. She also worked as a hotel night auditor. Yvonne was affectionately known as “Yanni” (inspired by her fondness for the artist) and “Diva II” by her sisters and niece Connie. She had a flair for life—whether reigning as Queen of the Krewe of NOMTOC or embracing her title as “Cruise Queen” on joyful sea adventures. She had an eye for beauty, finding joy in photography, capturing serene outdoor scenes, and collecting all-things butterflies. She cared lovingly for her parakeets and delighted in the small wonders of nature.

Family was the heartbeat of her life. She found happiness in sharing brunch dates, trading quick-witted one-liners, and taking road trips to spots like Buc-ee’s with her niece and nephews. She had a sweet tooth for pastries and desserts, a love of bowling, and a soft spot for classic black-and-white films. Her presence graced every room. Her spirit will live on in every laugh, butterfly, and memory we hold dear.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, August 2, 2025, at All Saints Catholic Church, 1441 Teche Street, New Orleans, LA. Visitation will begin at 10:30 a.m., followed by the Funeral Mass at 11:30 a.m., officiated by Reverend Fred Kaddu, SSJ. Interment: Westlawn Cemetery, Gretna, LA. Arrangements are entrusted to D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 1020 Virgil Street, Gretna, LA 70053. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the online guestbook, share memories and condolences with the family.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Cemetery

1225 Whitney Ave.
Gretna, LA 70056

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 2. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

All Saints Catholic Church
1441 Teche St
New Orleans, LA 70114

Funeral Mass

AUG 2. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AH

“ Yvonne, what a blessing, I will always remember the love you showed me when I flew in and stayed with you and Aunt Pat. I laughed even now how you loved the cookies from Big Island Candies. You will be truly missed. God speed
Love. Angela Henry

Angela Henry - August 01, 2025 at 09:27 PM

GB

“ Sorry I'm not able to attend, but I will never forget the good times we had together. Rest in peace.

George Brown - August 01, 2025 at 03:34 PM

SC

“ Sending my condolences to the family from
the late John Nelson Collins Sr Family

Sherry Collins - July 31, 2025 at 02:38 AM

JR

“ Condolences to the family may she rest in peace. Jackie Richard &
Family

jacqueline Richard - July 30, 2025 at 08:50 PM

GL

“ Von, you were truly a gem!! Genuine & honest! I have so many fond memories of going on smoke breaks with you when we work together at the SPR. I knew at 9 & 2:30 my phone would be ringing and you'd be on the other end saying, “smoke break, I'll smoke you just break”. I will miss our phone conversations, it was nothing for us to talk for 3 hours just catching up with one another. You were a loyal and loving friend Von & I will forever cherish my memories of you! Be sure & look for my momma in heaven, I'm sure she'll have a container of gumbo or crawfish bisque you can have.

Gia Lewis - July 30, 2025 at 03:22 PM