



## Pauline M. (nee Cochran) Clay

January 17, 2021

Pauline M. (nee Cochran) Clay, age 93, passed away at the Mitchell Campus In -Patient Unit of Hospice Buffalo on Sunday, January 17, 2021.

Born Pauline Maria Cochran, she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from the University of New York at Buffalo. In 1996 she retired from the City of Buffalo as a Relocation Specialist. She was instrumental in relocating those affected by the 1983 Buffalo propane explosion on N. Division Street on Buffalo's east side.

Throughout her life, Mrs. Clay was very active in various civil and social organizations in Buffalo. She served as the President of BIG (Blacks in Government); President of both the Upstate and local Urban League Guilds; one of the founding members of HOME (Housing Opportunities Made Equal); President, Treasurer, and Board of Directors member of the African American Cultural Center; served on the Board of Directors of Ujima Theatre Company; member of Gamma Phi Omega of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; member of the Niagara Falls Chapter of the Links, Inc.; Platinum member of the Erie County Chapter of the Links, Inc., and President of Les Amies.

Pauline's hobbies included reading, writing poetry and performing in local theatre productions.

Beloved wife of the late George W. Clay, Jr., and mother of the late Steven and Randall Clay. She is survived by her daughter Denise Clay. Grandmother of Randi Watkins and sister of Betty Jean Dalton , and brother-in-law Louis Dalton

Expressions of sympathy may be directed to the Hospice Buffalo 225 Como Park Boulevard Cheektowaga New York 14227. On the memo portion of your check please write " Pauline M. Clay".

Family and friends are cordially invited to share a favorite memory and/or sign the on-line guest book here on Pauline's tribute page.

Final arrangements have been entrusted to the Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home 154 Weimar Street Buffalo New York 14206. (716) 362-0199 Fax: (716) 462-5535 [www.kevinmasonfuneralhome.com](http://www.kevinmasonfuneralhome.com) Email: [kevinmason@yahoo.com](mailto:kevinmason@yahoo.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Denise and the family. I remember Mrs. Clay very fondly when she and George would attend parties at our house and various outings along with her kids. Her infectious laughter would always spread throughout those around her. She and George were a special couple. Very nice children as well. My mother and I send our deepest regards.*

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**Kim and Marge Rosteing** - April 16, 2021 at 02:08 PM

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“ *Mrs. Clay was a beautiful soul. Always welcoming and quick w/ a smile. Her laugh was contagious. Heaven gained an Angel and we are comforted in knowing she will still have a guiding hand on our shoulders. Our lives are better because they were touched by her. Our deepest condolences to Denise, Randi and her family. Thank you for sharing Mrs. Clay w/ us.*

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**Dawn, Kathie and Bryce Yorke** - April 16, 2021 at 02:08 PM

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“ *I'm very sorry for the loss of Pauline. My condolences to the family. May God bring comfort and healing to the family.*

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**Scott Emerling** - April 16, 2021 at 02:08 PM

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“ *The few years that I knew Pauline were joyous years because I found her to be a great conversationalist with a nice sense of humor. We sat next to each other at the last Gala hosted by The Erie County Chapter of the Links and as the DJ played music, she danced in her chair, and I joined her while sitting in my chair. We had a great time chatting and dancing. I will truly miss her. She was a beautiful Lady! W. Lee Whitaker, President, The Niagara Falls (NY), Chapter of The Links Incorporated*

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**Willie L Whitaker** - April 16, 2021 at 02:07 PM

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“ *I was sad to hear of Pauline's passing! I enjoyed many evenings with Pauline and George and the Shropshires. She was great fun and accomplished much in her life!!! It was an honor and a pleasure knowing her.*

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**carol joyce** - April 16, 2021 at 02:07 PM