



Barbara Lee Rayne

May 3, 1935 - September 13, 2024

Barbara Lee Rayne, of Delmar, beloved music teacher and talented organist, passed away on Friday, September 13, 2024, at the age of 89. Born on May 3, 1935, in Salisbury, MD, the only child of the late Luther Collins and stepmother, Bertha and Dorothy Bell Collins. She dedicated her life to sharing her love of music with her students and church communities and leaves behind a legacy of musical passion and dedication.

Barbara's mother lost her life not long after she was born, but by the grace of God, Granville and Eilen Sullivan stepped in to help her father raise and nurture her throughout her formative years.

On June 14, 1953, she married the love of her life, Charles Everett Rayne, with whom she shared a wonderful life for over 65 years of marriage, until his passing in 2019. Throughout her life, Barbara served as the organist for various churches, including Mt Olive UMC and St. Stephen's UMC, where her beautiful music touched the hearts of many. As a music teacher, she imparted her knowledge and love for music to countless children and adults.

Barbara cherished her family dearly and enjoyed creating cherished memories with them. Camping trips and winters in Florida were among her favorite activities, bringing joy and laughter to those she loved. Red Lobster was a special gathering place for Barbara and her family, where they shared many meals, celebrated birthdays, and anniversaries. Known for her culinary skills, Barbara's family will fondly remember her delicious dishes, especially her famous liver and onions and deviled eggs.

She is survived by and will be deeply missed by her son, Michael C. Rayne and wife Florence, daughter Dori Mowbray and husband Kenny, grandchildren, Anna, Stephanie and husband Daniel, Cindy and husband Shane, Brinkley and fiancé Kobe Kraft, and Kori and husband Max, great grandchildren, Leah and husband Mike, Alissa, Samantha, Lisa and Travis, fiancé Zachary, Lindsey and Andrew, and great-great grandchildren, Gideon, Liam, Tyler and Trevor.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Everett Rayne, daughters, Robin Travis and Susan Rayne as an infant, and a son, David Rayne.

Graveside funeral services will be held on Friday, September 20, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Stephen's Cemetery Park in Delmar.

Memorial contributions may be sent in her memory to help those suffering from cleft lip, cleft palate, and other craniofacial differences by visiting <https://www.oklahomacleft.org>.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

SEP **20.** 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Stephen's Cemetery Park
State Street
Delmar, DE 19901

Tribute Wall

LS

“ So sorry for your loss.
*Lynn & Chris Shunk Boscov's Travel
Berkshire*



Lynn Shunk - September 17, 2024 at 07:13 PM

DP

“ *Dolores and Preston Palmer lit a candle in
memory of Barbara Rayne*



Dolores and Preston Palmer - September 17, 2024 at 03:26 PM

SM

“ *To all of Barbara's family I send my love. She charted her life in the service of others. Her family was so precious to her. There will be music in Heaven that will stir the angels. I have loved her from our first meeting at age nine. She is and will always be my best and forever friend. I am so blessed to have had her in my life. May God bless you all with peace and fulfillment knowing that your Mom is now doing the work of angels. She will never leave us she has just changed addresses.*

Love,

The Martin family, Shirley, Jerry, Janet, Daniel and Matthew

Shirley Martin - September 17, 2024 at 03:19 PM

KH

I had the Blessing of knowing Mr. and Mrs. Rayne for years and their Family. We all grew up in Delmar, De together. She was such a sweet lady and I was Blessed to have taken piano lessons from her for about 6 years. She was an amazing lady! You will be missed, but God just added a new Angel in Heaven. I know you Charles and my Mom and Dad Ken and Dot Short are all rejoicing together right now. Thank you for teaching me about the Live of music and piano. 🎵 Love you and your Family so much.

Love and prayers, Kay Short-Habig and Family Delmar, De.

Kay Habig - September 19, 2024 at 11:19 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Barbara Lee Rayne.*



September 17, 2024 at 01:30 PM

LY

“ *Lynette lit a candle in memory of Barbara Rayne*



Lynette - September 17, 2024 at 09:03 AM