



Dianne K. Owens

June 25, 1941 - December 17, 2016

Litchfield

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Elizabeth Dianne Kearns Owens, 75, went home to Jesus on December 17, 2016, after suffering a stroke.

She was born in High Point, NC to Mamie Malpass and C. Wayne Kearns, Sr. In May 1954, the family moved to Myrtle Beach, where Dianne graduated high school, Salutatorian in 1959. She studied piano with Sunny Stowe Taylor, going on to Flora MacDonald College to major in music. She graduated from St. Andrews Presbyterian College in 1963.

She married D. Frank Owens, Jr. in 1964. For a time she taught private piano lessons and public school music, and later was organist at First United Methodist Church in Myrtle Beach, where she was a long-time member. After her children were older, she assisted Frank in his business as owner of Capt. Dave's Dockside in Murrells Inlet. During this time she enjoyed volunteering as pianist for the senior men's Sunday School at First Methodist.

Once grandchildren arrived, her vocation/avocation was full-time grandmother. She and Frank moved to Litchfield, they became associate members of St. Paul's Waccamaw UMC.

Dianne was an avid reader; her favorite book was the Bible. She spent many hours carefully studying The Lord and in prayer. Her passion was her family. Mrs. Owens was predeceased by both her parents. She is survived by her husband of Myrtle Beach Estates, her children, David F. Owens III (Deborah)

of Murrells Inlet, and Beth Owens Thomas (Todd) of Pawleys Island, her grandchildren, McMillan and Heyward Owens, and Alson, Mamie and Frankie Thomas. Additionally, she is survived by her sister Susan Kearns Wadley (Larry) of New Bern, NC, and her brother Charles W. Kearns, Jr. of Surfside Beach, as well as two special friends Meriam Carter and Linda Stowe, and numerous cousins.

An online guestbook can be signed at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com.

A funeral service will be held at 12:00 pm on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. The family will receive friends 1 hour prior.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that any memorials be directed to either St. Paul's Waccamaw UMC, 180 St. Paul Place, Pawleys Island, SC 29585, and designated for Toombs Kay Ministry or to Alzheimer's Association, National Office, 225 N. Michigan Ave, 17th floor, Chicago, IL 60601, and designated for research at the national level.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

GA

“ *Charlie and Susan,*

We are so very sorry to hear of your loss. We have just returned from visiting the grandchildren which Dianne would have liked! Though we could not be with you at her services, our thoughts and prayers go out to you now.

*Always,
Richard and Gretchen Abney*

Gretchen Abney - December 21, 2016 at 08:25 PM

GS

“ *Susan and Charles,*

Edith and I send our prayers and condolences to you and Dianne's children. My sister Sarah, in her MBHS class, were friends as I remember they had swapped school pictures. Your whole family added much to my feelings about Myrtle Beach and my childhood. We wish you good memories now as she has gone to a much better place.

Gordon & Edith Shepherd

Gordon Shepherd - December 20, 2016 at 01:44 AM

DL

“ *Dear Charles, I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of your sister, Dianne. Thinking of you, Donna (Harrison LeFebvre)*

Donna H LeFebvre - December 19, 2016 at 10:07 AM

CK

“ *Sending our heartfelt sympathy to all of you. Jerry and Charlotte Kennerly*

Charlotte Kennerly - December 19, 2016 at 10:00 AM

CJ

“ *Dianne was one of my favorite people in our Joy Class (Sunday School) as the St. Paul's Waccamaw United Methodist Church. She always had a smile and a kind word for everyone. We have missed her recently and we always will. God bless her family.*

Candy Jackson - December 19, 2016 at 06:45 AM

GA

Dianne was such a sweet, gracious lady. We shared our love of grandchildren and formed a special bond because of it. I miss her.

Garvin - December 19, 2016 at 08:15 AM

PG

“ *Frank, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Dianne was a lovely and talented classmate of mine. May you rejoice in knowing she is at peace and fill your hearts with beautiful memories you shared with Dianne.*

Patricia Monroe Gibson

patricia monroe gibson - December 19, 2016 at 06:05 AM

MA

“ Dianne was a very special and talented friend. We attended Sunday School and sang in the choir together at First Baptist Church of Myrtle Beach. This is where our friendship began. She had a smile and a kind word for everyone. She had many friends and she will missed. Charlie, and family, I grieve with you. At the same time, I rejoice because she is home with no more pain. She is singing praises to her Lord. Also, there is a celebration with her parents and all who have gone before her. I am grateful that she is at peace, and experiencing the greatest, unconditional love from her Savior. Charlie, I am praying for you and your family.

Mary Franchini Albaugh

Mary Franchini Albaugh - December 18, 2016 at 11:03 PM

VO

“ I am still somewhat in shock at hearing of Diane's passing. Her family and siblings and my family and siblings have had interconnecting relationships for many decades. Want so much to give both Susan and Charlie a huge hug and let them know that we know what a beautiful person she was. My heart aches for the pain I know you are feeling now, but know that she is OK. She earned her wings while on earth and now is reaping her rewards.

Virginia S Oesterlund - December 18, 2016 at 08:01 PM



“ *Our sincere condolences to Dianne's family and friends. Although I did not know Dianne I did know her sister Susan and her brother Charles and I know from speaking to both of them that Dianne was a wonderful person and will be missed by all. Our prayers go out to the family in hopes that they will ease their pain and sorrow.*

*Rest in Peace Dianne.
Randy & Patsy Jennings*

Randy Jennings - December 18, 2016 at 06:40 PM



“ *We are thinking of all of the family at this time of loss; Kenneth McMillan Owens, Jr. and Mary Elizabeth Cotton Owens (Betty). Whenever we think of her, we always see a smile on her face, just as the one on her tribute page.*

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McMillan Owens, Jr. - December 18, 2016 at 04:23 PM