



Joan Rita Moore

June 26, 2017

Joan O’Kane Moore passed away on June 26, 2017. A Princeton NJ native, Joan graduated from Rutgers University. In 1955, she married her college sweetheart, Brewer, from Flemington NJ. They moved to VA in 1958 where her husband practiced urban planning. In 1965, Joan established “Moore Music” piano studio at their home and taught music for 50 years. She volunteered as the Chapel organist and Jr Choir Director at Trinity Episcopal Church for 25 years.

Joan later managed the David Carr Glover Music Village. She served as an officer in the Tidewater Music Teachers Forum, was listed in Who’s Who of American Keyboard Artists, was state/nationally certified and a member of the Ntl Piano Guild. Joan also loved animals, especially her Scottie & Westie dogs!

Joan is survived by her husband, Brewer; her daughter Karen Click & husband Rick of New Market VA; her son Brad, wife Yvette & their sons Brandon, Garrett & Morgan of San Diego CA; her sister Kathleen Bigioni of NJ & brother Dennis O’Kane of Belize. She is predeceased by a brother, Thomas O’Kane. A service will be held at a later date at Trinity. The family wishes to thank Churchland House’s Memory Care Unit and Heartland Hospice for their superb care. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Trinity Church Book of Remembrance or the Portsmouth Humane Society.

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“ I have known Joan for many years through the Tidewater Music Teachers Forum. She was a superb teacher and good friend. She will truly be missed. Blessings and peace to her family.

Chris Ward, Suffolk VA - July 07, 2017 at 05:44 PM

CW

Sorry! This should have said Chris Ward from Suffolk VA.

Chris Ward - July 07, 2017 at 05:45 PM

DM

“ Ms Joan was a very nice lady I will miss her very much Gods Blessing to the Family. Dorothy From Memory Care💕💕 Chuchland House

Dorothy Harrell from Churchland House Me - July 03, 2017 at 04:35 PM

MM

“ Joan was a "piano" friend of mine for many, many years. We had wonderful times at TMTF meetings as well as VMTA conventions. When I first opened The Music Staff, she joined me in teaching piano to many students as well as sharing her love and appreciation of music with numerous families. We all will miss you, Joan! Mary Ann Medlin

Mary Ann Medlin - July 03, 2017 at 02:10 PM



“ *Joan Moore was a kind person has seeded seeds of joys that have passed on to many successful piano students. I have fond memories of the David Carr Clover studio that she managed. She also entrusted me with the studios cat Jazz after Mr. Clovers passing. She also invited me many times to attend concerts My son was a Moore piano student from age 4 till high school . Therefore, Moore's piano recitals at Trinity became so special. May God grant peace to a Grand piano teacher.*
Helen Rakes



Helen Rakes - July 02, 2017 at 08:59 PM



“ *Helen Rakes lit a candle in memory of Joan Rita Moore*



Helen Rakes - July 02, 2017 at 08:33 PM

SM

I was saddened to hear of Mrs. Moore's passing. I remember, with fondness, sharing the piano bench with her as she taught me my weekly lesson! What patience she had! Their sweet pup, Angus would usually end up under my feet while I played! She was a wonderful teacher and neighbor and will be missed by all who had the honor of knowing her. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Sheila Mauk Marshall - July 03, 2017 at 09:34 PM