



Delores P. Barnes

May 15, 2019

Delores Pearl Barnes,

Love You More.. A beloved mother, grandmother and great also great great grandmother passed away peacefully on May 15, 2019 at the age of 98.

She is survived by 3 of her 4 children. She was so talented musically and loved all with the purest of hearts.

May the heavens welcome a truly special and beloved person into their arms.

We love you and will miss you always.

Private family services.

Cemetery

Hillside Cemetery (Minneapolis)

2600 19th Ave NE

Minneapolis, MN, 55418

Comments



“ Delores Pearl Barnes,

Born Delores Pearl Simons on August 5, 1920 in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Dora and Charles Simons. Her sister, Della (Emmons) passed away July, 2014. She married Henry L. Grengs in 1936 and had four children: Simone, Phyllis, Alvin and Larry.

Throughout her life she had worked as a waitress, bartender, hospital aide and homemaker.

Self taught guitar and banjo player, she played the mouth organ (even invented her own mouth organ holder), the washboard, accordion and piano. She loved to sing and could yodel.

She was very passionate about all music and especially loved Rock-n-Roll and Country. She had a deep love for Bluegrass and Bill Monroe. In the early 1950's she recorded a record of Bluegrass hit: "Mule Skinner". In 2014 at the age of 94 she wrote a song from her dreams, got her guitar and sang it. You can find this performance today on YouTube - simply search for: "Are You Lonesome On That Shelf Little Doll".

In the later 1950's she moved to Blue Island, Illinois where she met, fell in love with Dallas E. Barnes and married in 1958. Barney had one son, Craig. We all knew Dallas as Barney or Grandpa Barney, Delores simply called him, "My Barney". After 46 years of marriage, the love of her life passed away in 2004. She moved back to Shoreview, Minnesota until her passing on May 15, 2019 at the age of 98 years young, just two months shy of her 99th birthday.

She has 18 Grandchildren
32 Great Grandchildren
24 Great Great Grandchildren
and two Great Great Great Grandchildren

All will simply remember her as "Grandma" with the exception of a few nick names: "Sexy Grandma", "Blue Grandma", "Grams" and "Sweetest Grandma in the World" who definitely "Loved You More".

She sleeps now in her "last bed", and she "just went away".

Mary K Lucking Tolbert - May 20 at 06:34 PM



“ One of the sweetest, kindest, most intelligent and inspirational women I have ever had the utmost privilege of having in my life. You will be missed, but your journey has only begun. I know you will bring warm smiles and wonderful music with you into Heaven. From the bottom to the top of my heart, thank you for all those wonderful memories I have to cherish. From your little Meko, I love you Grandma

Mike Tolbert - May 19 at 11:00 PM



“ Our sweet Great Grandma... how lucky are we to have known you and been loved by you for so many years? One of our favorite memories Jeff and I share was one of her last trips to Utah. Jeff and I drove Great Grandma and Granny home from a family event and we were jamming to our favorite classic music the whole way. I remember looking back and laughing while both were dancing away in the backseat, singing at the top of their lungs. We turned the music down every couple of minutes so they could share their feelings about an artist or how they used to love a certain song. Always talking about the good in the singers, whether they were misunderstood or not, and always appreciating a good song. I remember thinking I'd never forget that night and I haven't. I feel so lucky to have celebrated her 97th birthday with her and to have been able to hug her and hear her stories one last time. Although she was small, Great Grandma had a big, warm presence. Her smile, her love for life, and the unconditional love and support she had for us all was always felt and always will be. We love you more, Great Grandma.

Kayelyn Schneider - May 19 at 09:13 PM



“ Mother, I will miss having coffee and all types of conversation with you and Phyllis. We shared alot... You were kind and loving! Your Little Simone.

Simone Rommel - May 19 at 12:03 PM



“ The Williams Family purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Delores P. Barnes.



The Williams Family - May 18 at 02:25 PM



“ Ed, Linda,& family, puppy dogs & kitty too purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Delores P. Barnes.



Ed, Linda,& family, puppy dogs & kitty too - May 18 at 10:49 AM



“ So for many years as I traveled all over the world I always would stop and see mom and grandma. Several years I didn't even bother with renting a place or buying a home. Every time my sweet grandma would say “ oh my poor homeless Joey” lol. We talked of religion and social injustices and the weather. I never once arrived or left her place without a hug and kiss and words of encouragement. I loved it when I could cook for her and mom. My only mistake was Thanksgiving when I attempted Cornish game hens and forgot to squeeze lemons on them. Oh my they were just awful!! She did her best not to hurt my feelings. Love you Grandma. No more pain and all love and joy await you. God speed and hope you can play the banjo and drink a beer up there.

Love always, Homeless Joe. :)

joe lucking - May 16 at 07:30 PM