



## Leona Elizabeth Ralph

January 22, 1923 - May 28, 2016

Leona Elizabeth (Bauder) Ralph, born January 22, 1923 to Herman Arthur Bauder and Martha (Thomas) Bauder in New Castle, Pennsylvania, spent her childhood in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, and Illinois. At the age of 13, she met her future husband, George Edward Ralph. They married June 4, 1943 and entered the Gospel ministry in 1945. She served her Lord side by side with the man she loved for over 50 years. As a Jupiter area resident for 44 years, Mrs. Ralph worshipped with the Grace Immanuel Bible Church and served as a longtime employee of First Marine Bank. Mrs. Ralph is survived by her dear husband of almost 73 years – Rev. George Ralph. Her sister Annabelle Bauder McCreery preceded her in death. Her children Donna Lee Ralph Both (Don Both) of Columbus, MS, Robert James Ralph of Fayetteville, NC, Mark Edward Ralph (Ruth Ralph) of Wayne, OH, and Doris Jeanne Russell (Dan Russell) of Stuart, FL mourn her passing.

Mrs. Ralph is also survived by five siblings: Betty Lou Bauder Vanasky, Julia Bauder Wilson, Samuel Arthur Bauder, Peggy Bauder Price, and William Clifford Bauder. Mrs. Ralph's nine loving grandchildren and eleven greatgrandchildren remember her with love and deep respect.

Mrs. Ralph passed at her residence in Palm Beach Gardens, FL on May 28, 2016. She was 93 years old.

Mrs. Ralph's resonant alto voice, skill on the piano, and general love of music brought joy and encouragement to congregants, to her children, and to her grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, any contributions may be given to the Leona

Ralph Memorial Conservatory fund at Grace Immanuel Bible Church in Jupiter, Florida, so needy and talented youth may learn to make that joyful sound flourish.

A visitation will be held Friday, June 3rd, from 2 to 4 pm, and 6 to 8 pm, at Taylor and Modeen Funeral Home, 250 Center St., Jupiter. Memorial services will be Saturday, 2 pm, June 4th, at Grace Immanuel Bible Church, 17475 Jonathan Dr., Jupiter. Burial will be held prior to the memorial service at 9 a.m. on Saturday at Riverside Memorial Park, Tequesta, FL.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Leona Elizabeth Ralph*

October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *We will never get use to death. But our almighty heavenly father, helps us to endure. 1corinthians1;3*

**N Parrish - NYC, NY** - June 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Oh, how the years have passed. With a temporal measure of sorrow, we celebrate her long faithful life and await the Great Reunion.*

**Tom and Jerri Freeman - Canton, GA - Friend** - June 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ We joined the Church in 1980 and quickly learned to Love both Leona and Pastor Ralph over the years they became like a 2nd Mom & Dad to us.They both mentored us in so many ways and that served us well when in 1985 Terry went to Dallas Theological Seminary the things Pastor and Leona had shared and lived before us would help us in those years to make some good decisions.We always felt the Love from them every time we were around them and so gracious to let us stay with them when we visited Florida and when we would think about them a Smile would come to our face.My last visit to see them was this last April and so glad my friend Terese Taylor and I were able to spend time with Leona and Pastor, today my best friend Terese also went home to be with the Lord today, her daughter Brooke who called me said I'm so glad Leona will be there to welcome her to Heaven.Glad that Leona and Terese now feel no more pain.We love you and will be lifting up your family in this time of grief.Love, Paulette & Terry Knudson

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**Paulette Knudson - Mesquite, TX - Friend** - June 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ So sorry for the loss of dear Leona Ralph, but at the same time rejoicing with the angels in heaven that Leona is with the Lord Jesus!

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**Joseph Barbaro** - June 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Dear George and all your family, Wishing we could make the trip to the memorial service, but sending you our most heart felt sympathy in Leona's going home to be with the LORD. Having known you two since 1947 make for a very long wonderful friendship. Keeping you all in our prayers. May the LORD give you all the strength you need for the days ahead. Especially you George. Love in Christ, Jack and Bea

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**Jack and Bea Grindell - Simpsonville, SC - Friend** - June 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Leona, I have so many fun and fond memories of my high school days at your house. Thank you for your warm hospitality and open door policy. I always felt at home whether I was spending the night or driving to Chicago with your family. Your dry sense of humor still brings a chuckle. You had a way of making your point that was funny and brilliant. For some reason, your time at the piano at First So. Methodist stands out in my mind. My memory of your effortless playing of all the great old songs is a treasure. Thank you for your steadfast example and loving heart. Heaven is certainly sweeter. See you again sweet Leona! Deb

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**Debra Ray - Stuart, FL - Friend - May 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM**

SF

“ It is with sad hearts that we say goodbye, but oh what a day that was when she entered heaven's gates!!! I know there is nothing here to fill the void that her absence will leave, but knowing you will see her again will bring comfort. My fondest memory of Leona is the hours she used to spend online with me when our family was in Africa. She would keep me updated on all that was happening back here....new babies, weddings, funerals, etc. She was my computer buddy for quite some time. I always enjoyed chatting with her about goings on with her or in the church. She was a true friend! Our prayers are with each of you, and especially you, Pastor Ralph. May you feel sheltered safe within the arms of God during this time!

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**Steve & Sherree Forst - Jupiter, FL - Friend - May 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM**

BF

“ What a wonderful lady that was loved by many Love and prayers for family !

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**Bettie Prestwood - Amarillo, TX - Friend - May 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM**

RM

“ *Bob, Shea, Ryan, Julia, Peyton, Sean, May God bless you with much comfort and peace at this time of loss. You are in our prayers. Your friends, Roger and Mary Mac McLean*

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**Roger/Mary Mac McLean** - May 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *We will miss your sweet smile Leona, but we know that we will see you again! We send our love & condolences to Pastor Ralph & all of the family - we wish we could be there to celebrate with you! Leona holds a very special place in our hearts!*

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**Sharon & Jim Timmer - Maumelle, AR - Friend** - May 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM