



Jane Lynn Hefley

October 22, 1945 - March 26, 2021

Jane Lynn Hudson Riedl Hefley, 75, passed away on March 26, 2021, at OU Medical Center in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, with her brother by her side and in the thoughts of many others.

Jane was born in Salt Lake City, Utah. She grew up in Tishomingo, Okla., and, after living in several places throughout Oklahoma, called Pauls Valley home.

As a dedicated Christian, Jane didn't just talk about her faith, she showed it through her actions of serving others. She instinctively took care of friends, family, and strangers, always putting the comfort of others before herself.

Jane realized her God-given gift for music at an early age and developed that passion into a life-long career. She studied music at Murray State College and East Central University and dedicated her career to teaching children and adults not only how to create, but also appreciate, music. She taught at several schools (including Whitebead and throughout the Davis school district), as well as privately out of her home. She was also actively involved throughout the community, such as volunteering with Missoula Children's Theatre, leading a chime choir, and playing music at local nursing home facilities.

As a dedicated child of God, Jane also used her musical gifts to serve His

Church. She was the pianist for her congregation at First Christian Church, as well as Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, both in Pauls Valley. She never missed worship on Sundays, and always reminded attendees that music is not about being in tune, it's about simply "making a joyful noise".

After the death of her husband, Gene, Jane married Terry Hefley and seamlessly jumped into the role of becoming an instant mother to three adult sons, as well as a grandmother. Her memory will live on through her friends and family, as well as every time her loved ones hear one of the many hymns that she so beautifully brought to life.

Jane was preceded in death by her father, Trueman Aldine Hudson; mother, Dorothy Bess Hudson; and beloved husbands, Nathan "Gene" Riedl and Terry Hefley. She is survived by sons Cody and wife Stacie of Ada, Dusty and wife Jill of Chula Vista, Calif., and Vance and wife Jenna of Evans City, Penn.; her grandchildren Sierra Herring, Kaylee, Ariana, Perri, Lorelai, and Colin Hefley; her great-granddaughter, Jennette Herring; her brother Lannie Hudson and wife Donna of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; and many nieces and nephews, including Heather McMurry, Matthew Lanson Hudson, and Timothy Ryan Hudson.

Services will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Pauls Valley, OK at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31, 2021, with Pastor Elaine Howsley and Rev. Dr. Peggy Farris officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery under the direction of Wooster Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, you may make a donation to the memorial fund in her name at the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 300 North Ash, in Pauls Valley, Okla.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

Hwy 77
Pauls Valley, Ok

Previous Events

Service

MAR 31. 1:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church- Pauls Valley
407 N. Willow Street
Pauls Valley, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Jane Lynn Hefley*

November 12, 2022 at 02:44 AM



“ *Two of my children attended Whitebead School, that is when we came to know Mrs. Riedl. What a sweet, loving beautiful person she was. Jane was so talented. I asked Jane if she would give Richie and Rebecca private piano lessons. They excelled due to her loving instruction. My children loved being a part of the Whitebead Chimaleers. Rebecca and I were just talking about her on Friday. That had to be a God thing. Mrs. Riedl had such a beautiful smile, she radiated her love for her students and those of us that had the privilege of knowing her. Heaven gained another angel, I know that the music she is playing in heaven is as beautiful there as it was here on earth. My Heartfelt Sympathy to all her family and friends.*
Diana Bowen

Diana Bowen - March 30, 2021 at 03:33 PM



“ *I always enjoyed the visits through the years with her after she married my Uncle Gene. She was such a loving, caring, Christian lady. Just saw her in October and had such a nice visit. I Will miss her. My thoughts and prayers to Lanny and Terry's family. I know how much she loved you all.*

Joanne Carr - March 30, 2021 at 02:12 PM

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“ I will forever love Mrs. Riedl. She believed in me and is the reason that I love to sing so much. She was one of the most influential teachers that I had. I had not seen her in several years but I loved her still. I will miss her!

Amanda Pearson - March 30, 2021 at 11:57 AM

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“ Words cannot express how much our hearts hurt for the physical loss of this precious woman. She truly was a wonderful inspiration and mentor to so many and always enjoyed life to the fullest. Her musical talent was incredible and her willingness to share that God-given talent with everyone was such a blessing. She will be greatly missed in our church but she will live on in our hearts forever. God bless Jane and all of her family. --Pastor Elaine Howsley, First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Elaine Howsley - March 30, 2021 at 11:47 AM

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“ I played chimes at whitebead and also took private lessons with Jane. She was one of the strongest and most dedicated women I know. I knew I better get that theory homework done or else! Kids need to have expectations and she did of all of us. She was definitely an influential person in my life and I am grateful for that.

Anna Colley Newton - March 29, 2021 at 10:58 PM

JP

“ Jane will always have a special place in our hearts she was very special friend to all of us I enjoyed every visit I had with her and having a Chef Salad at the cafe I will always cherish our friendship she has made a great difference in our lifes Prayers For Her Family

Jerry Price - March 29, 2021 at 08:01 PM

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“ *Please know that our Family's prayers are with your Family at this time. God Bless your Family. Very Respectful the Ralph Ford Family.*

Ralph Ford - March 29, 2021 at 06:56 PM