



## Geneva Marie Rawlins

January 9, 1930 - June 10, 2020

Geneva Marie Rawlins, 90, of Austin died Wednesday, June 10th She was born in Guthrie, OK on January 9, 1930, a daughter of the late Juanita Marie (Williams) and Williams Everett Taylor, Sr. The Family Celebration of Her Life Service will be 12 PM (can be viewed on livestream <https://livestream.com/accounts/7325565/genevarawlins>) on Thursday, June 18th at Wesley United Methodist Church in Austin, TX with Sylvester C. Chase, Jr. officiating. Public Viewing and Flowers can be delivered to 1309 E 12th Street, Austin 3PM-6PM on Wednesday, June 17th.. Geneva had selected her musical friend Dr. Barry J.W. "The Shepherd" Franklin, CFSP at A Life Celebration By Franklin to fulfill her final earthly celebration with great excellence.

# Previous Events

## Family Celebration

JUN 18. 12:00 PM (CT)

<https://livestream.com/accounts/7325565/genevarawlins>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Geneva Marie Rawlins*

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October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of the loss of Geneva. I worked with Geneva at the Texas Department of Agriculture, and knew her through my friend, Sharon Coleman.*

*There is another story here on the pages that talks about how she saved my sister's wedding. All our friends remember the beautiful musical sharing Geneva provided that night. She didn't have to do it, but she loved us and we loved her.*

*Geneva was a joy to be around, I loved her wit and her smile.*

*May the Lord bless and keep the family and friends as they mourn this remarkable lady.*

*Linda Jefferson*

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**Linda Jefferson** - June 18, 2020 at 03:22 PM



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“ Geneva's name is part of my family history, my friend's legends, and the City of Austin's Energy Conservation effort.

*My wedding started two hours late because my dress was not there. My family, friends, and colleagues waited in the chapel. Geneva was supposed to be there for the ceremony only. Instead, she played and sung for two hours. It was like a set at a club. I worried that no one would stay, but they did because of the "concert."*

*When we speak about our wedding, Geneva's name is the first on our lips. When my friends send anniversary wishes, they talk about the music and the lady with the freckles that played. My colleagues had some energy conservation issues to solve and had not met at the office. They told me later the music and atmosphere caused them, and they addressed a few problems. We will never forget Miss Geneva. She turned a horrible nightmare into a wedding to be remembered. We have been married for almost 30 years.*

*Thank you, Geneva, for giving us the best gift one can give beautiful music to start a marriage full of wonder and joy. I paraphrase one of Kahlil Gibran quotes, Cover her with soft Earth, jasmine, lilies and myrtle; and when they grow above her.. they will breathe the fragrance of her Heart into space. Rest in peace, you beautiful soul.*

*Charles Nichols and Cheryl Jefferson*

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**cheryl jefferson/charles nichols** - June 16, 2020 at 06:35 PM

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“ Geneva was a legend in her own right! She will be missed. My condolences go out to. The family. 🙏🙏🙏

*Christella Cain* ❤️

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**Chris Cain** - June 14, 2020 at 10:13 PM

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*Extending condolences to the Rawlins family. Among my fondest memories are Geneva—the entertainer, the consummate pianist, the passionate musician, the quiet motivator. My cherished memory will be our friendship and her demand for giving your best.*

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**Harvey Williams** - June 15, 2020 at 03:44 PM

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*My condolences for Geneva Rawlins and her family. I have so many memories of this beautiful soul, I remember her being kind and funny, that smile was so beautiful to see early in the morning when I made it to work. I cannot tell you how many times we would sit in her office laughing and talking. I will miss her dearly and she was a true friend to me and I will cherish our memories that we shared at Texas Dept. of Agriculture.*

*Kaye Benford*

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**Kaye Benford** - June 19, 2020 at 09:32 AM