



Rhennie Cook Taylor

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Rhennie Cook Taylor, aged 90, passed away on November 18, 2025, in Clearwater, Florida. Born on November 10, 1935, in Paducah, Kentucky, Rhennie was a dedicated realtor and a committed government worker with the Housing and Urban Development.

Rhennie was a pillar of strength and independence, living a life devoted to God and inspiring many to embrace faith. She was an active member of Northside Baptist Church, where she not only worshipped but also deeply involved herself in Bible studies.

In addition to her spiritual and professional pursuits, Rhennie was a vibrant member of the Red Hats Society and a talented artist. Her passion for the arts was evident through her painting and her musical talents in singing and playing the piano.

Rhennie leaves behind a loving family, including her husband Edward Taylor; children Cindy Ann Cook, Allison Dale Deschene, Russell A. Cook and nephew Ben Weiss; her cherished grandchildren Amy, Rachel, Amber, Mark, Phillip, Cassidy, Lilly, and Grace Ann; and her adored great-grandchildren Jack, Katherine, Charlotte, Evelyn, Brynley, Maddison, Caleb, and Parker. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lloyd and Dorothy Hellums, and her siblings, Lloyd "Sonny" and Lennie.

A service to honor Rhennie's life will be held at Memorial Park Funeral Home on Tuesday, December 9th at 11 am, the family will be accepting guests starting at 10 am.

Rhennie's legacy of faith, love, and resilience will forever be remembered by those who knew her.



Events


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Visitation

 **Tuesday**, December 9, 2025


 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **Memorial Park Funeral Home & Crematory**
5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg FL 33709



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Brenda Krautkremer posted:

My sincerest condolences to Rhennie's family. We volunteered together at the food pantry and angel tree. She was such a kind soul and always had the brightest smile. She and Ms. Rita would share their stories, and their laughter was infectious! But their generosity and hearts for serving others and the Lord were unmatched. I know the Lord said, "Well done!" when He received her into heaven. Prayers for peace and comfort for Rhennie's family. Brenda Krautkremer

December 10 at 10:45 PM



S Green posted:

As we approach the day when we will celebrate the life of my dear friend, Rhennie, and commit her earthly body to the ground, I want to share another precious memory. Rhennie was a savvy business woman. Her encouragement for me to set aside a small savings (U.S. Savings Bonds) for each of my children when they were very young resulted in their ability as grown ups to purchase homes of their own. I often reflect on Rhennie's wise advice and I am grateful. So while I celebrate her life as a Christian caregiver who ministered to many needy people, Rhennie was also a prudent woman who made others aware of how to invest in themselves. She did that for me. May Rhennie's spirit of selfless giving and caring ❤️ continue in the lives of those who knew her.

December 7 at 12:06 PM



Anonymous sent a Gracious Lavender Basket to the Taylor family.



December 6 at 8:32 AM



The Ellenz Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Rhennie.



December 6 at 8:32 AM



Tribute Wall

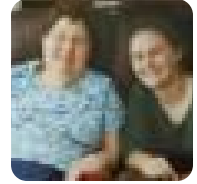
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Rachel Shveda shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Dear Nana, Thank you for being my number one fan. Thank you for always making me feel special and loved. For proudly sharing stories about me, showcasing my homemade gifts, and cheering me on at concerts and games. Your smile, wisdom, strength, and Godly influence live on in my heart. I love you so much. Love, Rachel Anne



December 5 at 12:04 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Taylor family.



December 4 at 9:02 PM

PJ

Pam Jensen posted:

Rhennie and Ed were our neighbors on 35th Avenue for 35 years. We have many fond memories and are grateful they were apart of our lives. Rhennie was always so kind and such a gracious lady who loved her Lord. I'll remember fondly hearing her play her piano from across the street. ❤️

December 2 at 3:58 PM

SG

Susie Green sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Taylor family.



December 1 at 5:27 PM



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S Green posted:

I am writing this expression of love for my dear friend. I met Rhennie in the 1970s at a time when my life seemed upside down. We both worked for the federal govt. at the Dept. of HUD, when Rhennie approached me with a smile. She could tell by my demeanor that I was going through a tough time, but I am convinced (and have been for years) that Rhennie was sent to me not only as a friend but as an angel. I had been reared as a Christian, but needed counseling, and Rhennie encouraged me continuously. We found ourselves becoming friends, and that is just what I needed. Rhennie witnessed to me from her own experiences how the Lord was with me in all things, and how the Lord would see me through. My dear friend, Rhennie, on several occasions, invited me and my children to her home for dinner and Christian fellowship with others. My memories are so sweet that it brings tears. Still I look forward to seeing her again when my turn comes to leave this world. Sweet Rhennie, take your rest in the Lord's arms, and smile on me from heaven once in a while. Your friend, Susie

December 1 at 5:19 PM



Lilly Katona shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

The best memories visiting Nana and Poppop. Watching VHS tapes, playing Old Maid, picking oranges from the tree. Will miss you forever, Nana 🍷🍷



December 1 at 5:01 PM



Rachel Willey posted:

Nana Rhennie, you will be missed. I didn't know you as well as I wish I had, but you were always so kind to me and treated me like family. I remember visiting you and your husband with your granddaughter Jennie, and her parents Jim and Diane — we would stay with you all during our treks from VA to FL, and you always opened up your home to us — and the stray friend that came along with them. I fondly remember a loving grandma with a warm heart. Sending loving thoughts to you and your family as I know they will be forever changed by your loss, may you finally find rest and peace.

December 1 at 2:26 PM



Jennie Allen posted:

Nana Rhennie was the best bonus grandma, and she and my grandpa Ed Taylor were lovingly married from July 1985 until her passing. She was loved and will be greatly missed.

November 20 at 5:21 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Rhennie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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