



Harriet Maxine Newlon

September 11, 1923 - February 21, 2021

Maxine Newlon of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed away on Sunday, February 21, 2021. She was born and raised in Guthrie, OK on September 11, 1923 to Harry and Ruby Campbell. She attended Guthrie public schools. She received her B.M. degree in violin and viola from Oklahoma College for women in Chickasha, OK (currently USAO). She received her M.M. degree in viola from George Peabody College at Vanderbilt University.

She married Robert O. Newlon on June 28, 1953. She belonged to Trinity United Methodist Church. She was a professional musician who played viola in the Oklahoma City Symphony Orchestra. She also played viola in the Ft. Collins, Colorado Symphony Orchestra, the Springfield Missouri Symphony Orchestra, and the Denver, Colorado Symphony Orchestra. She taught vocal and instrumental music in the Guthrie, Oklahoma City Schools. She was an Orchestra Director for the Oklahoma City Public Schools. Maxine taught strings and orchestra in the Springfield, Missouri public schools and was a professor of Music and Orchestra at Cottey College in Nevada, Missouri. She taught strings and orchestra in Fort Collins, Colorado and in Muskogee, Oklahoma. She was the director of Christian Education for Plymouth Congregational Church in Wichita, Kansas. She also directed Church Choirs in Guthrie, Oklahoma, Nevada, Missouri, Wichita, Kansas, Springfield, Missouri, and Muskogee, Oklahoma.

She was a member of several organizations including Sigma Alpha Lota, Pi Zeta Kappa, Kappa Kappa Lota, The National Education Association, The

Oklahoma Education Association, The Muskogee Education Association, and The Wesleyan Service Guild. Her honors and awards include: Who's Who in Music Education and Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. She was preceded in death by her father, Harry Max Campbell; mother, Ruby Campbell; brothers, Alan Campbell and Russell Campbell; and husband, Robert O. Newlon in 1998.

She is survived by her son, Brent Newlon of Muskogee, OK; brother, Charles Campbell of Guthrie, OK; brother, Dale Campbell of Denver, CO; and special friends, John Lefler, Thelma Terrill, Neal Talley, and Peggy Harris.

A celebration of Maxine's life will be 2pm Thursday, February 25, 2021 at Greenhill Cemetery Pavilion with Pastor Cody Robinson officiating.

Cemetery Details

Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403

Previous Events

Service

FEB **25**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Harriet Maxine Newlon*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *I just found out about the passing of Mrs. Newlon and wanted to let her family know that she was my teacher at Blevins Jr High from 1969 to 1973. I played viola. She was a great teacher and a great musician. I remember that she had perfect pitch, which amazed us all. Though we were a bunch of squirrely junior high kids, we respected her so much. I don't remember that she ever had to scold us, because we could sense her expertise. I learned so much from her.*

Karen Deal Robinson - April 18, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Mrs. Newlon was a special person. I enjoyed her so much as my orchestra teacher in the late 70's. I took private viola lessons from her. I have always cherished my memories of her.*

Brenda Bingham Murrie - March 11, 2021 at 01:46 PM



“ *Brent,*

I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your Mom. So many precious memories of her throughout my High School days in orchestra.

You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Patty Goodwin Roberts

Patty Goodwin Roberts - February 23, 2021 at 05:15 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Harriet Maxine Newlon.*



February 22, 2021 at 08:34 PM