



Elouise Vivian Churchill

January 25, 1931 - July 13, 2022

Elouise Vivian Churchill, 91, went to be with The Lord Jesus on July 13, 2022 with family present. Elouise was born in Bridgeport Oklahoma on January 25, 1931 to Howard and Vivian Branch. Her parents were on a trip from Fort Smith Arkansas to Oklahoma to visit both sets of parents, the rain and ruts in the road caused Vivian to go into premature labor. Elouise had trouble breathing that first night as she was born 2 months early. Her grandmother Young worked diligently with her while her uncle Herbert Young fervently prayed to the Lord that Elouise would live and be mightily used of God. Elouise was a devoted Christian and loved The Lord. Her priorities were God and Family. She was selfless and served and put others ahead of herself. Her passion was music and she had a gift from God and was a talented pianist and organist. She used this gift to bless others and played in church for over 50 years. She always came prepared to play. It was more than just playing with Elouise, it was a ministry. She desired to offer her best as unto the Lord and longed to play under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. She had a lot of classical training and incorporated that in to the Hymns and Gospel Music in the Church.

Elouise was raised in Fort Smith Arkansas until around the age of 15 when the family moved to Porterville California. She always said she was a southern girl in her heart. She loved southern style cooking. Her mother's family, the Young's were very musical and Elouise began taking Piano lessons at age 7. She graduated Porterville High School and then she studied music at

Southwestern Bible Institute and Southern California College now known as Vanguard University.

She fell in love with Clyde Churchill and they were married at First Assembly of God Church in Porterville, California September 1, 1950. Clyde and Elouise had two sons, Bruce and Brent. They moved to Visalia in 1957.

Elouise loved harmony. She learned a beautiful harmony style of chords while studying music in Waxahachie Texas and practiced hard until she could play them in all keys and inversions. This was her beautiful style that she blessed us all with. She played all over the valley at civic events and in multiple churches. She taught private piano lessons for many years.

She is preceded in death by her husband Clyde Churchill, son Bruce Churchill and grandson Joel Churchill. She is survived by her son Brent, daughters in law Rose and Wenfang, grandchildren Jesse, Reece, Paige, Benjamin, and Joshua, and granddaughter in law Jami, and great grandson Jaden.

Public Viewing will be held Tuesday July 26 from 4-7 PM at Salser & Dillard 127 East Caldwell Ave in Visalia. Elouise's life celebration will be held at Salser & Dillard with Rev. Mark DiGirolamo on Wednesday July 27 at 8:30 AM with Burial following at 10:30 AM at the Visalia District Cemetery and then lunch at First Assembly of God in Visalia.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 26. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel
127 E. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277

Prayer Service

JUL 27. 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel
127 E. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277

Graveside

JUL 27. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery
1300 W Goshen Ave
Visalia, CA 93291

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Elouise Vivian Churchill*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - July 20, 2022 at 03:12 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Elouise Vivian Churchill*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - July 20, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Beautiful sweet Elouise. we attended the same church in Porterville, I was 3 and love to listen to her play the piano. Her husband and my dad Loren were best friends. They both were Agriculture Commissioners, Clyde & Elouise both thanked my dad for helping Clyde get into this field. Elouise and I remained friends and she always commented how handsome my dad was. I will surely miss my friend and her insightful spirit , I am 75 and hope to be as perky and cool , and sweet as Elouise.*

judi Loren - July 27, 2022 at 07:23 PM



“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.salseranddillardvisalia.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Elouise Vivian Churchill.

July 27, 2022 at 02:43 PM



“ Elouise was a very special friend to me for 5 decades. What an encourager to me in my music, as well as practical lessons in daily life. She and Clyde were so important in that regard. Positive and Pure motives, always keeping in check. Always gracious and a servant for the Lord. I've already had my good cry, so let's celebrate this beautiful woman of God. We are happy she is no longer suffering and is walking and talking with Jesus and with the saints from all time. Everybody is happy over there!



Dale H. Docken - July 25, 2022 at 07:20 PM



“ Elouise gave me piano lessons when I was about 8 years old. She was a friend of my mother (Ione Moyer Shadrick) for many years. She was a wonderful lady and musician. She will be missed. Toni Rene' Moyer Weaver.

Toni Rene' Weaver - July 22, 2022 at 10:39 PM

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“ My condolences goes out to Eloise family. I met Clyde and Eloise back in April 1995. We have remained friends since then. She attended my wedding on July 10, 2021 and she was just full of life. She made a huge impact in my life. She was loved by my family members and we will always remember her. Eloise gave me a few lessons on playing a piano but she told me, “You have very short fingers.” She was right, I couldn’t pursue my lessons. I will always carry in my heart the great memories she leaves behind. Sylvia Edwards

Sylvia Edwards - July 22, 2022 at 02:24 PM

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“ My condolences to Elouise family. I worked with her about 18 years before she retired from the Tulare Count library. I use to see her and Clyde at the restaurants in Visalia. I think the last time i saw Elouise was at Clyde’s funeral. Since Covid i haven’t seen her for at least 3 years and was just recently thinking about her when I attended another fellow library employee’s funeral (Minnie Navarette) last week. Minnie was 92 years old. At that service , I and another fellow library employee was talking about Elouise and knew she was close to Minnie’s age. Who would know she would pass a week later. I’m 75 and was considered the baby of the staff. I and 1 or 2 other employees are all that are left. I was the secretary of the library for 26 years before i retired in 2003 with 36 years service with the library. On a personal note Elouise was the organist for my mothers service at Hadleys in 1992. She was a beautiful organist and was glad she provided the music for my mother. May Elouise rest in peace. Blessings to you all. Nancy Cunha

Nancy Cunha - July 19, 2022 at 10:13 PM