



## Dr. Shirley Fogelsanger Beary

February 4, 1928 - September 5, 2016

Dr. Shirley Fogelsanger Beary passed away on Monday, September 5, 2016 in Medford, Oregon, at the age of 88. She was born in Albany, Kansas to February 4, 1928 to Bertha and Howard Fogelsanger. At the age of three months, her family moved to Pontiac, Michigan, where she lived until she married. She received her B.A. in Music from Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Michigan; her M.Mus. at Redlands University, Redlands, California; and her D.M.A. from Southwestern Theological Seminary. Her dissertation, *The Stamps-Baxter Music and Printing Company: A Continuing Musical Tradition* led her to providing two entries in the 1986 *New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians*.

Dr. Beary held the rank of Professor of Music at both Southwestern Adventist University in Keene, Texas, and at Oakwood University in Huntsville, Alabama. She was particularly noted for her expertise and teaching competence in classes in music history, fine arts and music appreciation, church music, Christian ethics, and piano pedagogy and literature. She enjoyed a reputation as an excellent piano teacher. She was known as a caring teacher, and was described by her students as being affirming, friendly, and supportive.

In addition to serving as minister of music at the Keene Church, Dr. Beary also served as a church organist in several churches and organized a number of

hymn festivals. She maintained a private piano studio throughout her career, and following her retirement, she was active as a pianist, frequently accompanying and playing with chamber ensembles.

She is survived by her family: Mike and Susan Maloney from Yreka and Edwin and Stephanie Johnson from Orlando, Florida; four grandchildren: James, Max, Morgan, and Nolan; and 5 great grandchildren. Because of her passion for seeing her students succeed in life and her lifelong dedication to education, the family is asking that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Yreka Adventist Christian School, 346 Payne Lane, Yreka, CA 96097, to help students realize their potential in life.

A memorial service for Shirley will be held Saturday, September 17 at 3 p.m. at the Yreka Seventh Day Adventist Church.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP 17. 3:00 PM (PT)

Yreka Seventh-day Adventist Church  
346 Payne Ln.  
Yreka, CA 96097