



## Mrs. Diane McGarity Styles

January 22, 1943 - November 26, 2024

Elizabeth Diane McGarity Styles, 81, of Titusville Florida, died Tuesday, November 26, 2024 from Alzheimers. She was preceded in death by William Wright McGarity and parents Lucile Johnson McGarity Bishop and Kenneth Marion Bishop. Her reunion in heaven will also include her loving husband John Raymond Styles, her eldest son, Christopher John Styles, ande her brother, Robin Wright McGarity and his wife, Joy Marlow.

Diane was born January 22, 1943 in Vero Beach, Florida. She was raised in parsonages along the coast of Florida with her mom, Rev. W.C. McGarity, Dola McGarity and later with her brother, Robin. These towns included Wabasso, Bushnell, and Hastings. At age 6, Bowdon, Georgia became her home with loving parents and lifelong family and friends. When she was 12, Lucile and Kenny had a daughter named Karen. Diane loved her dearly along with her brother, Robin.

In 1965, Diane and John made their home in Titusville, Florida. Always a Christian homemaker and a proud NASA wife, she found time to continue her education with a major in Elementary Education. She was a church preschool teacher of 25 years at The United Methodist Church of Titusville, Florida. She touched many lives with her love, patience and her childlike appreciation for arts and crafts. She was an active member of her Florida church for 55 years including being a member of the Dove Circle (ladies bible study group).

The Methodist churches of Bowdon and Titusville were her second families and each member held a special place in her heart. She will be waiting in

Heaven with her wings and halo for all her family and friends.

She is survived by her sister, Karen Margaret Bishop (Alan Korslien) of Great Falls MT; her daughter, Lesley Styles Frazier (Barry) of Evans GA; her son, Scot Wesley Styles (Marisa) of Titusville FL; her four grandchildren, Dr. Heather Frazier (Michael Vandeventer) of Charlottesville VA, Andrea Styles and Mars Styles of Orlando FL, and Ian Styles of Titusville FL.; her extended family members: sisters-in-law, Junnie Johnson (Wayne), Dr. Betsy Ayers (Jeff), and Kelli Styles; her daughter-in-law Karen Biland Styles; her five nieces, Lynn McGarity, Cheryl Dietz (Ricky), Katy Hughes (Doug), Traci Rainwater (Alan); her god-daughter Erin Young (Eddy); and her three nephews, Matthew Hudson (Lauren), Brian Johnson (Danielle), Tayler Ayers; and eleven much loved great nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at Rainwater Funeral Home on Tuesday, December 3, from 4:00 until 6:00 p.m.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 1:00 pm at the Bowdon First Methodist Church. Interment will follow at the First Methodist Church Cemetery. Prior to the services, her body will lie-in-state at the church from 12:00 p.m. until the funeral hour.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Titusville, FL (206 South Hopkins Ave, Titusville, FL 32796 / [www.fumctitusville.com](http://www.fumctitusville.com)) or the First Methodist Church in Bowdon, Georgia. (P.O. Box 187, Bowdon, GA 30108)

# Cemetery Details

## Bowdon First Methodist Cemetery

302 Wedowee Street  
Bowdon, GA 30108

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 3. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Rainwater Funeral Home  
317 North Carroll Street  
Bowdon, GA 30108  
(770) 258-7239  
info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rainwaterfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

DEC 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bowdon First Methodist Church  
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Bowdon, GA 30108

*Prior to the service at 1:00 p.m., he body will lie-in-state at the church from 12:00 p.m. till the funeral hour.*

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ I am so sorry to hear of “Miss Diane’s” passing. My son was in her 4 year old preschool class at FUMC in Titusville back in the 90s. I was blessed to work with Diane for a couple of years in that class. She had such love for all of the children and had such a sweet demeanor always. Diane was truly a servant of God and I know she is rejoicing in heaven. My deepest sympathies got out to her family. She always spoke with such love for all of you. May God grant you peace and comfort.

*Julia Bolognese*

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**julia Bolognese** - December 05, 2024 at 04:18 PM

ML

“ Martha Anne Snow LaMothe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane McGarity Styles



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**Martha Anne Snow LaMothe** - December 03, 2024 at 06:57 PM

SM

“ Sherrie Musick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane McGarity Styles



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**Sherrie Musick** - November 28, 2024 at 11:18 PM

SG

“ Sara S George lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane McGarity Styles



Sara S George - November 27, 2024 at 04:51 PM

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“ Our paths crossed frequently growing up. Diane was a majorette when I was in 8th grade and in the band. We both went to the Bowdon First Methodist Church. Her brother Robin and I were in the same grade. She married my first cousin Johnny Styles. She ALWAYS had a beautiful smile and was so pretty and kind. I am sure her family, friends, and community will miss her.❤️

Tena Freeman - November 27, 2024 at 01:48 PM

GM

“ Gordon/Mary McLeroy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Diane McGarity Styles



Gordon/Mary McLeroy - November 27, 2024 at 01:33 PM