



Theodore R. Morrill

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Theodore R. Morrill, 71 of Fayetteville, AR, beloved husband, father and friend, translated on Saturday, December 4, 2004 at Washington Regional Hospital after a brief illness. He was born February 16, 1933 in Miami, Florida to Ralph and Irene (Parrish) Morrill.

He attended Florida State University, where he played football, and he graduated from the University of Miami in Vocal Performance. He continued his education in Rome, Italy, where he studied at the Santa Sicia Accademia di Roma with Grande Ufficiale Maestro Giovanni Manurita. He also sang concerts in 25 Italian cities and on Radio RAI. He studied further in New York City at the Manhattan School of Music and Actors Studio.

He sang professionally on Broadway and off Broadway in Musicals and operettas, and he also did straight plays. He sang opera with the New York City Opera, Metropolitan Opera Studio, Miami Opera Guild, Brooklyn Lyric Opera and others in the USA. During a 10- year stay in Germany, he sang leading dramatic tenor roles in Cologne, Hannover, Nuernberg, Bern, Marseilles, and other European cities. He made TV and radio appearances in both the US and abroad.

After moving to Arkansas in 1985, he became an entrepreneur. He also sang numerous concerts at the University of Arkansas and appeared as soloist with the Northwest Arkansas Symphony Orchestra. He taught voice to drama and vocal students at the UofA.

He was a member of the clergy of ECKANKAR, Religion of the Light and Sound of God.

He is survived by his wife, Janice Yoes ; three daughters, Thea Morrill of Chicago, IL, Julie Morrill of the home, Yvette Wenger of Connecticut; a son, Gregory Bender of New York City; one sister Harriette Hopkins of Biscayne Bay, FL, and a brother, Danny Morrill of Hollywood, FL.

A memorial service will be held 11:00 AM Wednesday, December 8, 2004 in the Chapel of Nelson-Berna Funeral Home 4520 North Crossover Road in Fayetteville. Margie Mende, Regional



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ECK Spiritual Aid will officiate.

Memorial donations may be sent to the University of Miami School of Music, the University of Arkansas Mullins Library - vocal collection or to ECKANKAR.

Visitation Date Time None Visitation Location Service Date Time Wednesday, December 8, 2004 11:00 AM Service Location Nelson-Berna Funeral Home Chapel



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JS

Jill Woodhouse-Burcham (Student) posted:

Janice, We are deeply saddened by your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers every day.

August 30 at 9:52 AM

AJ

Ann Harkreader (Cousin Of Janice) posted:

Ted's service was beautiful; the friends who spoke were sincere in their friendship with Ted and you, Janice. You can really be thankful that you and Ted have many friends. I felt as if I really know Ted now even though I probably can count on one hand how many times I was ever in a conversation with him or in his presence. Your account of how you and Ted met was wonderful, and the mention by someone of the great love that you and Ted shared shows that it was obvious to those around the two of you and your beautiful daughters.

August 30 at 9:52 AM

TA

Todd C. Hanlin (Acquaintance) posted:

Dear Janice and family, The world is a poorer, drabber place without Ted. It was always a pleasure to see him, to enjoy his enthusiasm and zest for life, his thoughts and experiences, his wit and wonderful sense of humor--I never had a boring conversation with Ted! And I consider myself fortunate to have had the opportunity to hear him perform several times, with his thrilling voice and commanding stage presence. What a man! My thoughts are with you as we all struggle to cope with his loss.

August 30 at 9:52 AM

AH

Aaron Hope posted:

Ted, I just want to say how much you mean to me. You've done so much for me- and have had such an impact on my life. I aspire to be more like you in my own life, and will think of you each and every day. I love you Ted-Aaron Hope

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PC

Patricia Gideon (Friend, Student And Colleague) posted:

The Material World will never be quite the same without Theodore, but think of what a grand time he's having now that he is unfettered and unbound by time and space!! He has meant so much to so many. I'm certain that he is shining brighter than ever, now, Janice, and that he's watching over you, Thea and Julie with great joy. I love you...Pat

August 30 at 9:52 AM

LC

Laura, Rick & Kate Redden (Janice's Cousin) posted:

We have such wonderful, positive memories of our visits with Ted. . . He is a lovely and special spirit. Janice, We send our loving thoughts to you and your family.

August 30 at 9:52 AM

DF

Don Guthery (Friend) posted:

Janice we are very sorry to hear about Ted. We wish you comfort and strength at this time. God bless Don

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CC

Carla & Phil Johnson (Cousin) posted:

Our deepest sympathy

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GW

Gene & Joyce O'neal (Cousin To Wife) posted:

Please accept our sympathies to you, Janice, your daughters and other family in this time of loss and adjustment...so sudden and unexpected. What an active life of learning, performing, and teaching ... music.

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TA

Truman Yancey (Acquaintance) posted:

My thought and prayers are with you and your family, in this time of sorrow.

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MF

Millie Peters (Friend) posted:

My deepest sympathy to Ms. Janice Yoes and the extended family. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Please let me know if there is anything I can do for you in the Music Department. Verleen

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DA

David Hunt (Acquaintance) posted:

I'll always remember Ted and our conversations, especially about singing and singers even though Janice always mentioned that I had a good teacher. We will all miss Ted very much. he was a pleasure to be around-I'll always be glad that I got to perform with him, but more important-I'm glad he was my friend. Sincerely, David Hunt

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EF

Elizabeth & Lester Howick (Friend) posted:

Janice & family, We share your sorrow.

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MF

Mary Gene Poyner Chodrick (Friend) posted:

Dear Janice and family, I was so sorry to read in the paper of Theodore's death. I remember meeting him and your daughters at the Fayetteville High School 30th class reunion. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Mary

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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