



Ellen J. Williams

March 6, 1948 - May 25, 2025

Ellen Joan Williams, 77, peacefully passed away at Altercare of Wadsworth on Sunday May 25, 2025. She was born in Glen Ridge, New Jersey to the late Robert Williams Clute and Amy (Howard). Ellen was discovered to be a gifted musician around 6 years of age. She played the piano by ear and memory and likely inherited her talent from her famous Grandfather John Tasker Howard, a piano player, composer and producer. He composed several books on music history as well as coordinating the tunes on the tv show "Name that Tune".

Ellen played all music from classical to rock, religious, jazz, and country. She had a bottomless repertoire of songs of at least 700 without written music. She shared her music throughout her lifetime providing joy to many. Ellen had traveled the world as a Navy wife playing in officer clubs. She also was a Navy veteran.

Ellen is survived by her daughter Ellen Sellers, granddaughter Kayla Hudson (Brandon) and great-grandchildren Brandon and Kaydon Hudson. Ellen is preceded in death by her daughter Amy Smith and granddaughter Krystal Walker.

Graveside services will be held at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, 10175 Rawiga Rd. Seville, OH 44273 on Thursday June 12, 2025 at 10:15am.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ellen's memory accepted to National Alliance of Mental Health. NAMI, 1225 Dublin Rd. Suite 210, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

A special thank you to the staff at Wadsworth Altercare for the special care given to Ellen during the past two years. Also, a big thank you to Hospice of Western Reserve for their assistance.

Cemetery Details

Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery

10175 Rawiga Road
Seville, OH 44273

Previous Events

Committal Service

JUN 12. 10:15 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Liza Colburn - June 09, 2025 at 10:20 AM

JS

“ John & Ted Kutscher, Anne Atwell Seattle purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Ellen J. Williams.



John & Ted Kutscher, Anne Atwell Seattle - June 08, 2025 at 07:21 PM

LM

“ Love, Liza Colburn & Family in MA purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ellen J. Williams.



Love, Liza Colburn & Family in MA - June 08, 2025 at 07:06 PM

LI

“ Aunt Nonie, my Dad's sister, was always so thoughtful, remembering every one of my birthdays and sending cards with sweet memories and encouraging words. She was also deeply knowledgeable about the zodiac.

Her musical talent also brought joy to so many people over the years. She could play anything by ear, which was amazing.

I am glad I got to visit with Nonie a few years ago in Ohio. My memories of that visit, and others to our house in MA will remain vivid.

Ellen is with her parents, brother, daughter, and granddaughter now. May she finally rest in light and peace. ~ Liza

Liza - June 06, 2025 at 01:51 PM

ES

Thank you Liza for your condolences, they are appreciated. Yes everyone knew Aunt Nonie, Grandma Nonie, she was very well known Had outstanding personality. Yes , I believe she is back with her mother Amy Howard Cluthe Stevens, My sister Amy Bernice Williams Walker Smith, Uncle Bill and Grandpa Chandler L Stevens and her father Robert W Cluthe and Grandma Betty Ann Cluthe. Everyone has there own memories. Yes, she was known to send everyone birthday cards, Christmas cards. She loved playing piano for everyone and loved listening to all types of music. Thank you again Ellen Lea Williams Sellers

Ellen Sellers - June 07, 2025 at 01:08 PM

ES

“ My mother Ellen Joan Clutche Williams was a person that you would remember and never forget. Her personality alone stood out. She loved to play and listen to Barbara Streisstand, Karen Carpenter, Neil Diamond. My sister Amy Walker Smith but , she was always called Amy B.

My sister , myother and I, would stand around piano and sing. air Supply, Bon Jovi, Michael Jackson Beat it. When Annie musical came out, Growing up she took us to see Bozo the clown, Washington Monument, we would make Christmas cookies for Christmas send to grandparents. She sewed our clothes. We travel on year from Massachusetts, to Yellowstone, Great Salt Lake in Utah. She might of had bad times but she had more good about her. She loved her cat houraa . She always made sure we celebrate holidays growing up. But as we got older we all went out ways but tried to stay in touch. But wanty mother to be remembered for her musical talent. Outstand piano player. Her great grandfather was John Quincy Adams. And musical talent was from John Tasker Howard. He wrote" Ole Susana" , he created" Name that Tune'. Her father Robert W Cluthe from Morristown NJ, was part of Republican party in Army. Her stepmother Betty Cluthe was very famous Opera singer. Her step father Chandler L Stevens was in the Marines pilot. Just wonderful memories that I will cherish and always know I was loved

Ellen Sellers - June 01, 2025 at 08:38 PM

EK

“ My condolences to the family and friends of Ellen. Thanks to Judy Lucas who visited her and saw to her well being. Ellen was a talented pianist. I enjoyed hearing her play.

Evie Kidder - May 30, 2025 at 08:57 PM

ES

Thank you for your condolences to my mother. I glad you were able meet her and enjoy her music. From her daughter Ellen Williams Sellers

Ellen Sellers - June 07, 2025 at 01:11 PM