



# Ralph L. Mays

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## **Ralph L. Mays**

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**R**alph L. Mays, 77, of Clinton peacefully passed away Sunday, May 18, 2025 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Memorial Services will be 2:00 pm, Friday, May 23, 2025 at Kingdom Hall in Clinton. Visitation will be from 12:00 to 2:00 pm at the Hall. Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes & Crematory assisted the family.

Ralph Lee Mays was born March 12, 1948 in Clinton, Iowa, the son of George and Olive (Libby) Mays. He was a Clinton High School graduate and earned his associate's degree from Scott Community College. He worked at Lyondell and then later retired from ADM.

He was a member of Kingdom Hall in Clinton, had a strong faith and loved music. He enjoyed spending time with his family. Ralph was a talented guitar player and was a member of "The Union Jacks" band which was a popular local band in the 1960's. He and his four band members were inducted into the Iowa Rock & Roll Hall of fame in 2006.

Ralph will be remembered for sharing his love of music with his three sons. He enjoyed reading and learning and always did research before making any decision. A lover of ice cream, Ralph's final meal was a hot fudge sundae which he frequently requested in his last months.

Those who knew Ralph will remember him as a kind, thoughtful, and quiet man who would help anyone in need. Ralph married Brenda in 1973 and together they had three children. He is survived by two children: Bryan (Sarah) Mays of Port Byron, Illinois and Brent Mays of Clinton; three grandchildren: Alexis, Avery and Lennon and one brother: George (Mary Lou) Mays of Chicago, Illinois.

He was preceded in death by his parents, son Bruce Mays and sister Rita Reed.




# Events

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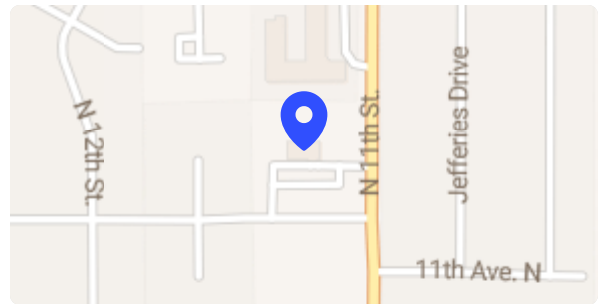
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## Memorial Visitation


 **Friday, May 23, 2025**

 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT

 **Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses**  
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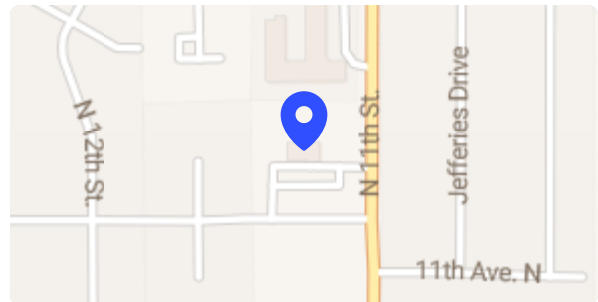


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**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Mays family.



May 20 at 4:51 AM



**Deb Craig-Clark** posted:

Ralph and I worked the same shift at Lyondell for year's....those long 12hr shifts gave us a chance to laugh alot...I went to Lake Okaboji when he was inducted into the Music Hall of Fame...my husband Jim Clark past member of Coupe DeVille was working the induction at the time, it was a wonderful weekend to remember...Ralph really was a nice guy

May 19 at 4:56 PM



**Bob Carmody** May 24 at 5:45 AM

I've been a friend of Ralph since Little League days in the '50s. We lived in the same neighborhood and played sand lot baseball against other neighborhood teams. I followed Ralph thru the years and celebrated he and his band, the Union Jack's, induction into the Iowa R'R Hall of Fame. Ralph was a true friend with a quite loving nature. R I P my friend!



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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