



Delle Elaine Rayner

February 18, 1950 - July 3, 2025

Delle Elaine Rayner, aged 75, passed away on July 3, 2025. She was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio to Irv and Zerda Malikin. The Malkin family had three children, including Delle's brothers Greg and Robert.

Delle is survived by her two children, Howard "Hal" (Heather) Lange of San Diego and Leah (Michael) Hadley of Parma. She was the proud grandmother of Harrison "Alex" and Hanna "Aurora" Lange as well as Jeremiah, Sonya, and Christopher Villalobos. Her legacy of kindness, quiet resilience, and love for her family will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

Delle received a BA from Ohio State and an MBA from Xavier University. She spent most of her career working as an accountant and retired as the Director of Financial Aid for Sanford Brown College. Delle was a member of the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage, and the Cleveland Botanical Gardens. She was a strong believer in life-long learning and generously shared her time and expertise volunteering with the Cleveland Metropark, the Parma Animal Shelter, and the Institute for Learning in Retirement at Baldwin Wallace College.

A graveside funeral will take place July 7th at 2:00 PM at Workmen's Circle Cemetery (5100 Theota Avenue, Parma, OH 44134). Visitation will take place in the Community Room at Parma Village Senior Apartments (11500 Huffman

Road, Parma, OH 44130) immediately after burial until 6pm.

Contributions in Ms. Rayner's honor can be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital (www.stjude.org).

Cemetery Details

Workmen's Circle

5100 Theota Ave
Parma, OH 44134
matt@workmenscircle.org.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 7. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Shiva

JUL 7. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Parma Village Senior Center (Community Room)
11500 Huffman Road
Parma, OH 44130

Tribute Wall

MG

“ Delle has mentored me for over 5 years during my journey to my Masters Degree and remained true to our friendship we developed. My heart is saddened to see her go but knowing she is in a better place

Michelle Graham - July 07, 2025 at 11:22 AM

DM

“ So sad to hear of Della's passing. I loved sitting next to her on a bike at the rec center. She was always so positive and lovely to talk to. My sympathies to the entire family.
Dolores Martin

Dolores MARTIN - July 06, 2025 at 03:38 PM

JG

“ Delle contacted me after our 20th high school graduation reunion event some 57 years ago. She remained a steadfast support in my life. She invited me and my friend, Mike Barkoot, to family Seders, picnics and dinners. We shared many brunches together, often at Yours Truly, in Valley View. We shared laughter, tears and plain fun. I remember her service centered retirement. Especially her longstanding involvement with Baldwin Wallace University. She made time for travel. Most of all, she made time for family. She made time for me, and she was always kind to me. I will remember her with love and affection. I extend my deepest sympathy to her family, Leah and Mike and Edgar and their children, Jeremiah, Christopher and Sonya, and to Hal and Heather, Alex and Aurora.
Peace, Janice Giles

Janice Giles - July 04, 2025 at 08:46 PM

MC

*My heart goes out to Hal and Leah who lost a mother and to all the family members.
Delle was a very special person.*

Miriam Curran - July 07, 2025 at 12:33 PM

SB

Our Deepest Sympathy on Delles passing. She was one Sweet Lovely Lady.

Our best to the family.

Cousins Bob and Sandy Bendis

Sandy Bendis - July 07, 2025 at 03:46 PM



*I was a very good friend of Delle's in junior high and high school. I have many memories of the times we spent at each other's homes. For unknown reasons, we went our own ways after high school. My deepest sympathies to the family. May her memory be a blessing.
Marcia Shultz Arons*

Marcia Arons - July 09, 2025 at 12:19 AM

MK

Sorry to hear of Delle's passing. I knew Delle briefly in Cleveland before my job was transferred to Atlanta

Michael f Keating - August 20, 2025 at 11:01 AM