



Rev. Edward R. Mayes

September 4, 2022

Reverend Edward Mayes, beloved Minister, Husband, Father, and Grandfather died at home in West Hartford on September 4th, 2022. Ed was born in New Britain to Anne and Edward Mayes. He attended New Britain Public Schools, Westminster, and Vanderbilt University, graduating in 1958. During his academic endeavors, Ed served in the army and was stationed in Germany, which was pivotal in his choosing to further his education at Hartford Seminary, where he received a Masters of Divinity in 1965. He was ordained in 1968 in Randolph center Vermont. Ed brought humor, love, music, and a sense of adventure to his congregation. Reverend Mayes came to the Flagg Rd Church in 1971 with his wife Marlene and very young children Jon, Tim, Ben, and Rebecca. He served Flagg Rd for 30 years before retiring in 2001. Interim positions followed in various Connecticut churches culminating with the Somersville Congregational Church in 2007. Ed loved sharing his understanding of the Spirit through openness and compassion, and always through stories. For the last several years, he has spent many happy hours working in the gardens and greenhouse at the 4H Education Center at Auerfarm in Bloomfield. He leaves his wife Marlene Goldkamp Mayes of West Hartford, Jonathan and Amanda Mayes of Middlebury, Timothy Mayes of West Hartford, Ben and Mary Mayes of Lebanon New Hampshire, and Rebecca and Dr. Jeffrey Goldberg of Burlington, Connecticut. He also leaves 7 Grandchildren. Tristan, D'artangan, Noah, Trevor, Leah, Kate, & Madeline, who are all joyous reflections of his heart. A memorial service will be held at

the Flagg Rd United Church of Christ, 134 Flagg Rd, West Hartford, CT at 2:30 Saturday, September 10th 2022. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Flagg Rd UCC or the 4H Educational Center at Auerfarm in Bloomfield, CT. Online expressions of sympathy maybe made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **10**. 2:30 PM (ET)

Flagg Road United Church of Christ
134 Flagg Road
West Hartford, CT 06117

Tribute Wall

MA

“ Reverend Mayes was my earliest teacher of Jesus Christ. I attended Flagg Road Church in the 80s and went to their Sunday school. Years later I was born again in Jesus and continue my walk in the Lord today. Now approaching 50 and entering my ministry for the Lord, my thoughts sometimes go to the kind man I first heard talk about Jesus. My condolences to the Mayes family.

Matt - October 22, 2025 at 02:48 PM

TP

“ My heart goes to my childhood friends and family Ed and Marlene have both been a huge impact on my life growing up. Ed always had nothing but kind words to me growing up. I know he is in a peaceful wonderful place and he deserves it as much as anyone should . God bless him and all who knows and love him . Tommy and family

Tommy Prendergast - September 06, 2024 at 04:50 PM

TD

“ We were saddened to hear of Rev. Mayes recent passing. Although it has been over 50 years since he was the minister in Randolph Center, his positive and loving impact on our church and community has been long-lasting. We were fortunate to be one of the last couples to be married by him before he was called to CT. May he rest in peace. Trudy (Herwig) and Bill DeFlorio

Trudy DeFlorio - September 26, 2022 at 04:32 PM

JO

“ Dear Mayes family we are so sorry to hear of Reverend Mayes passing. We have all been so lucky to have had him in our lives. Please accept our deepest sympathies.

Philip, Eric and Marcus Joseph

joseph - September 20, 2022 at 05:32 PM

LD

“ The photo catches the essence of Ed Mayes! Such a lovely, fun & truly nice fellow! RIP Rev. Mayes. Linda DiNapoli

Linda DiNapoli - September 10, 2022 at 11:12 AM

SB

“ Ed was a former customer of mine at Bookworm in W.H. Such a pleasure to know! Peace and hugs to the entire clan. Sarah Bedell

Sarah Bedell - September 08, 2022 at 06:45 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Edward R. Mayes.



September 08, 2022 at 01:52 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rev. Edward R. Mayes.*



September 07, 2022 at 09:11 PM



“ *My heart is heavy at the loss of Ed. He gave me some of my best childhood memories - playing the guitar, sharing 'worldly' philosophy with me as a young child and always making me feel welcome in the home and with the family. He will never know how much all this meant to me.*



I hope the family finds comfort in the memories they have.

*With my sympathy and love
Sue Welensky Girouard*

S Girouard - September 07, 2022 at 07:09 PM