



## Richard J. Gleason

January 4, 1953 - April 17, 2020

Richard J. Gleason, age 67 of Cleveland, died Friday, April 17, 2020, at home. He was born on January 4, 1953, in East Cleveland, OH.

Mr. Gleason worked as a local musician and music teacher. Rick graduated from Mentor High School and Cleveland State University.

Rick enjoyed reading, painting in watercolor, and playing his piano. He was a great storyteller entertaining friends and family.

Richard is survived by his sisters: Judy (Barry) McCue and Sandy Davis; nephews: Shannon (Susie) McCue, Matthew (his wife Jodi) McCue; nieces: Jennifer Baroetta and Katy Welsh; great-nephews and great-nieces: Cade, Emma, Allie, Michael, Daniela, Jada, and Austin.

Preceding him in death are his parents: Richard and Dorothy Gleason; and nephew: Patrick McCue.

With the current COVID-19 public gathering restrictions, a private family inurnment will be held at Mentor Cemetery.

Arrangements are entrusted to Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Tribute Wall

LN

“ Gleason Family, my 34 year old son just sent me a beautiful video of him playing the piano and singing. I was going to forward it to Rick to show how David is still using the musical skill that Rick taught him some 25 years ago. I am so saddened to learn that he's gone so young. He enriched my son's life, and I will be forever grateful for his efforts. Irene Nichols

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**Irene Nichols** - August 20, 2020 at 06:11 PM

GB

“ What a kind, understanding, decent friend you were. And what fun we had, Dad.

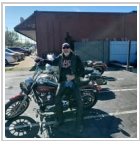
*I'll remain stunned and saddened by this loss.*

*All condolences to the extended Gleason family.*

*Glenn&Mary Bowen  
NYC*

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**Glenn Bowen** - August 14, 2020 at 01:47 PM



“ Thanks Rick For The Piano And Hammond Organ Lessons You Gave Me. They Helped Me Tremendously. R.I.P Brother. You Will Be Missed

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**Greg Triplett** - June 29, 2020 at 09:19 AM

MT

“ Rick was a great soul...

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**Michael Tomaselli** - May 11, 2020 at 08:30 PM

BH

“ *Such a nice guy and so talented*

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**Betsy Harlor** - April 30, 2020 at 11:49 AM

BZ

“ *Condolences to his family. Rick and his piano playing has brought joy to many people. You will be missed, a very kind soul.*

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**Bob Zahtilla** - April 27, 2020 at 07:53 PM

JS

“ *Great musician, friend and person. Always smiling/laughing and could always make you feel better about yourself. Miss you, buddy.*

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**Joel Scigliano** - April 27, 2020 at 04:36 PM

JM

“ *You were a good guy Rick Gleason, R.I.P.*

*Jim McCrea  
Brecksville OH*

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**James G McCrea** - April 27, 2020 at 02:48 PM

CL

“ *Many years had past and the miles grew as we took different paths in life. Those that knew you well, speak fondly of your contributions to enriching their lives. Rest in peace. I will see you at the end of the line.*

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**Chuck Locy** - April 27, 2020 at 07:57 AM

KM

*You were an excellent musician and a better human being. Thanks for the fun gigs with the Rick Gleason trio. Your witty and dry humor was great!!! Thank you Rick, God Bless. Peace and Love.*

**Karen Matthews** - April 30, 2020 at 10:53 PM

DO

*So sorry Judy to learn of Rick's passing. So enjoyed his piano talents.*

**Donald OConnor** - May 02, 2020 at 04:34 PM

BS

*We were schoolage friends in art and dance. My senior prom date and now your company in voice and song are with me still. A rich, convincing voice telling me of how much i missed since we parted ways . Wishing I could have seen and heard you before you left this earth. You will though be with us for all you left with devoted friends who keep your music alive for all. It is a treasure. Thanks Rick.*

**Barbara Scott** - August 19, 2020 at 03:29 AM

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*Rick was my musical mentor in a way. After thirty years out of music and two thousand miles from Cleveland Rick helped me find my way back and I will be forever grateful. He helped me through my first couple dozen gigs. Rick was a positive influence on more people than anyone will ever know.*

**3rd Chimp** - September 25, 2021 at 11:46 PM