



Matthew Moran

January 27, 1956 - July 5, 2025

Matthew Moran, 69, of Amherst, passed away peacefully with his family by his side Saturday July 5, 2025 at Cleveland Clinic Avon Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born January 27, 1956 in Amherst to George & Marie Moran (nee Breznan) and had resided in Amherst and Elyria most of his life.

Matt worked as a supervisor at Stanadyne Western Steel. After Stanadyne closed, he started a painting and remodeling company and continued working in the construction business until retirement.

Matt was a lifelong member of St Nicholas Byzantine Rite Catholic Church in Lorain where he began to cantor at the age of 14 and served as a cantor for over 50 years. He was a member of the Byzantine Singers, a select a cappella singing quartet specializing in sacred music. The group has participated in the Heritage of Sacred Music during the Lorain International Festival and sang many weddings, bishop ordinations and church functions. The Byzantine Singers have sung at the largest pilgrimage among Ruthenian Byzantine Catholics at Mount Saint Macrina in Uniontown, Pennsylvania since 1995. They were also a Jubilation finalist in 2011 for Cleveland classical radio station WCLV and most recently they were featured in a documentary on EWTN Global Catholic Network's Treasury of Blessings "100 Years of the

Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Church in America". Individually, in 2012 Matt participated in a competition called "How Low Can You Go?" sponsored by Decca Records of London where he was a finalist for having one of the lowest bass voices worldwide. Over the years Matt was the cantor for numerous funerals and would joke with his wife Michelle about having their date nights in a funeral home.

Matt enjoyed cruises, casinos and the simple things in life like nature and sitting on the back porch looking at the flower gardens. Above all, Matt made it a point to help anyone less fortunate than himself.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years Michelle Moran (nee Marko), Alexei Vandalov whom Matt & Michelle were guardians, siblings: Michael Moran (Rhonda), Mark Moran (Elizabeth), Lisa Knipp, Phillip Moran (Marilee), Nathan Moran, George Moran (Josie) and Jonathan Moran (Carol); sister-in-law Stephanie Moran and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Edward James & Bill Moran, sister Monica Quintin and sisters-in-law Sharon & Barbara Moran.

The family will receive friends Sunday July 13, 2025 from 3:00-7:00 pm at the Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel, 3224 Broadway, Lorain, OH 44055. Parastas Services will be held in the funeral chapel Sunday July 13, 2025 at 6:00 pm. The Divine Liturgy will take place on Monday July 14, 2025 at 10:00 am at St Nicholas Byzantine Rite Church, 2711 W 40th St, Lorain. (please meet at the church) The Rev Father Vasyl Kupar, pastor of St Nicholas Byzantine Rite Catholic Church and Archpriest Father Michael Moran, (Matt's uncle), will officiate. Cremation will follow.

Memorial contributions can be made to St Nicholas Byzantine Rite Catholic Church, 2711 W 40th St, Lorain, OH 44053 or Tunnel to Towers Foundation at dogood.t2t.org

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **13.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel
3224 Broadway
Lorain, OH 44055
(440) 246-2118
gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com
<http://www.gluvnashimohromada.com>

Parastas

JUL **13.** 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM (ET)

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Divine Liturgy

JUL **14.** 10:00 AM - 11:20 AM (ET)

St. Nicholas Byzantine Rite Catholic Church
2711 West 40th Street
Lorain, OH 44053

Tribute Wall



“ *Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Matthew Moran*



Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel - July 10, 2025 at 03:50 PM

RS

“ *I just saw this notice. I was Matthew's fourth grade teacher when he had a full head of red hair. What a cute little boy. When I saw him again at the Music Heritage performance, I was overcome with his great talent and his talent for sharing it. It's a sad thing that he was taken so young. Thanks to those who shared the video. It is beautiful to hear. May you rest in peace, Matthew, and may you join the heavenly chorus.*

Rosemary "Miss Lane" Schuler - July 14, 2025 at 12:31 PM

YK

“ *Your Cousins, Mary Ann & Jim, Jimmy & Lorraine, Michael & Marge, Diana & Mike, Janie, Larry & Kathi purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Matthew Moran.*



Your Cousins, Mary Ann & Jim, Jimmy & Lorraine, Michael & Marge, Diana & Mike, Janie, Larry & Kathi - July 11, 2025 at 03:53 PM

MD

“ I was Matthew’s classmate at St Nick’s. He was always smiling and seemed to be the most kind and gentle person. I hadn’t run into Matthew until years later when he was the cantor at the new St Nick’s church. I was just so happy to see him! He left much too soon, and I send my sincerest condolences to Michelle and all of his family.



Mary Druga - July 11, 2025 at 02:46 PM

RS

Hello, Mary, from Miss Lane

Rosemary "Miss Lane" Schuler - July 14, 2025 at 12:32 PM

BS

“ Ive known Matt all my life. From the earliest days back in the old St. Nick's, he always shared peace and love. He was, in 1960's terms, a 'good guy.' Over the years we'd run into each other. Matt was on a blessed path while we others wandered aimlessly. No matter how many years passed, Matt ALWAYS welcomed me home, always seemed genuinely happy to see me. Never judgmental, Matt found even the smallest flicker of light in people and focused on that - on the positive. He was a good man, a good father and husband. The world has a great loss with Matt's departure, but there is comfort having known a man so rare and knowing he is with the Lord. God bless you Matt.

Въчная Память

Bill Sas - July 11, 2025 at 06:31 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Matthew Moran.



July 11, 2025 at 02:35 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Matthew Moran.

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“ Love, The Meyers girls planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew Moran.

Love, The Meyers girls - July 10, 2025 at 08:58 PM



“ Love, The Meyers girls purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Matthew Moran.



Love, The Meyers girls - July 10, 2025 at 08:58 PM

BG

“ 1 file added to the album *BYZANTINE SINGERS TRIBUTE*



BOB GRIP - July 10, 2025 at 04:41 PM