Lorraine Reed



1945-2006

Lorraine was an active member of Joy Metropolitan Community Church and served more than ten years on the Board of Directors. She was proud of that service and it was because of her kindness and friendliness that she drew people to the church. She was an integral part of the creation of the Winnie Toal Memorial Food Bank. Lorraine continued to support the Food Bank through her leadership and team participation for the rest of her life.

In 1992, Lorraine, along with her close friend, John Garrett initiated a Thanksgiving Food Basket project which provided a complete meal, including a turkey, to five less fortunate families in the Joy congregation. In 2005, through Lorraine's guidance and leadership, the John C. Garrett Memorial Thanksgiving Food Basket Project provided Thanksgiving dinners to more than 1,350 families throughout Central Florida who would otherwise be without.

Lorraine was proud to sing with the Orlando Gay Chorus and served on their Board of Directors.

She served on the GLBCC Board of Directors for several years and contributed to the success of many events such as the Spectrum Awards and the Annual Pride Picnic. She was a pioneer in the development of the Center's Endowment Fund.