

Margaret (Gray) Towne



--Received a B. S. and M. S. in biology from the University of Michigan, 1961, 62

--Attended Princeton Theological Seminary 1966-67

--Received a doctorate in Adult Education from Montana State University 1995

My dissertation was titled "The Influence of Critical Thinking on Christians' Belief and Belief Change with Reference to the Polarities of Creationism and Organic Evolution."

Married Rev. Vernon William Towne, from Seattle, WA on Feb. 10, 1968. He was an Army Chaplain and during that time we lived at Fort Huachuca, Arizona and Oakland, California. He served in Vietnam.

My husband was a pastor at Presbyterian Churches in Falls Church, VA (1970-76), Clarks Summit, PA (1977-1989), Great Falls, MT (1990-1999) and Las Vegas, NV (1999-2007). As of August, 2007 he is retired from ministry and at the present we are staying in Las Vegas.

We have two daughters, Cheyan Marie, a mortgage broker in Las Vegas and Jannay Suzanne, a television reporter in Des Moines, Iowa.

Taught Biology at Wilson College, Chambersburg, PA, 1962-63
Juniata College, Huntingdon, PA, 1963-66, fall 67
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 1966-67
Northern Virginia Community College 1970's
Penn State University, Scranton, PA 1980's
Marywood University, Scranton, PA 1980's
College of Technology, Great Falls, MT 1991-99
Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 1998

Taught Biology, Science and Religion, and Reasoning and Critical Thinking courses at:

University of Nevada Las Vegas, NV 2002-05
College of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas, NV

Presently teach here

From 1999-2001 I was a "Distinguished Visiting Professor in Science and Religion" at Juniata College

From 2002-2007 I was the Director of Adult Ministries at the Mountain View Presbyterian Church in Las Vegas, NV

In 1997 I won a Templeton Award (\$10,000) for teaching a class in science and religion at Montana State U. As part of this award I attended 13 conferences in science and religion around the country.

I have been invited to give lectures on science and religion in many settings around the country.

I published a book "Honest to Genesis: A Biblical and Scientific Challenge to Creationism" in 2004 with PublishAmerica. This came from my doctoral dissertation at Montana State. I included Suzanne Robinson in my Acknowledgements at the front of the book!

For six years I have been a co-editor of the newsletter for the American Scientific Affiliation (scientists who are Christians) and I attend their annual meetings each year. This year it was at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland. I served six years on the board of the Presbyterian Association on Science, Technology and the Christian Faith. For the past six years I attended the Ecumenical Roundtable in Science and Religion at various places around the country.

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