



## Mrs. Nelva Roop

April 5, 1934 - March 13, 2024

Mrs. Nelva Garrett Roop, 89, formerly of Bowdon, Ga died peacefully Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Craig and Cindy Roop in Commerce, Ga.

Mrs. Roop was born April 5, 1934, in Bowdon, Ga. and was preceded in death by her parents, J.R. and Elma Garrett, husband, David Roop and youngest son, Keith Roop. She is survived by 3 younger brothers, Doyle, and his wife Margaret of Carrollton, Roy, and his wife Lumis of Bowdon and Randy of Atlanta.

She was survived by her children, Craig and his wife Cindy of Commerce, Lance of Buckhead, Keith's wife, Marie Roop of Carrollton Ga. and 8 grandchildren, Jett Roop, Hunter Roop (Britt), Sydney Roop (Andy), Alli Roop, Billy Jack Roop, Ty Lowe (Melissa), Jessica Ausborn (Nathan), and Lauren McCullough (Jimmy) . 10 Great grandchildren, Lulah, Paisley, Marshall, Braeden, Zach, Dawson, Madelyn, Kasey, Luke, and Sophie

She was an excellent, competitive athlete, mixed double champion tennis player with brother Randy, Master Bridge player, loved golf with husband David. Nelva was entrepreneur and hustler, running local theatre in Bowdon with husband, pioneer multilevel marketer, kindergarten teacher at home for 30 years teaching up to 50- 5 yrs. old, part owner in local florist, primary broker in R & R Realty, helping hundreds of area residents and prolific landlord. Nelva loved Bowdon and others, entertaining and hosting was a passion. Her home at 400 Ellenwood Drive was always alive with guests at

pool parties or water aerobics, tennis matches, invited or spontaneous, various parties and events. She was a catalyst for Bowdon Athletic Booster club in late sixties, Bowdon festivals and celebrations. Her love for the community was expressed in the routine delivery of homemade bread and tireless development and contribution to the Historical Society. Nelva loved her family. She especially took pride in raising 3 active, unpredictable boys for many of the early years. She was an active member of Bowdon First Methodist Church. Family gatherings were a priority, whether it was for the Roop, Garrett or Heard families. Grandchildren were always welcome. Everyone knew the love between David and Nelva was deep.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. at Bowdon First Methodist Church. Following the services, entombment will be held at Community Gardens Cemetery.

Prior to the services on Saturday, the family will receive friends at the church from 12:00 p.m. till the funeral hour.

In Lieu of flowers please make a donation to The Bowdon Area Historical Society or Bowdon First Methodist Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Community Gardens Cemetery

105 Memorial Drive  
Bowdon, GA 30108

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 16. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Bowdon First Methodist Church  
302 Wedowee Street  
Bowdon, GA 30108

## Funeral Service

MAR 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bowdon First Methodist Church  
302 Wedowee Street  
Bowdon, GA 30108

# Tribute Wall

LE

“ *Laura Crews Evans lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



Laura Crews Evans - September 30, 2024 at 01:37 PM

LE

*Nelva was always so gracious in inviting our BHS BOHIAN annual staff to use her home for yearbook pictures. When I think of Nelva, I always remember her beautiful smile and willingness to help.*

Laura Crews Evans - September 30, 2024 at 01:38 PM

SW

“ *Susan B Williamson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



Susan B Williamson - May 13, 2024 at 05:50 AM

GP

“ *Glenn And Patricia Prince lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



Glenn and Patricia Prince - March 27, 2024 at 10:45 PM

CR

“ We have such sweet memories of Nelva. She was always the same when you would see her no matter when or where, friendly and so happy to see you. We’ve been gone from that area for many years but Nelva was someone you never forget.

Carolyn and Gilbert Rampy - March 18, 2024 at 02:57 PM

AM

“ Amy Meigs-Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop



Amy Meigs-Wiggins - March 17, 2024 at 10:18 AM

VY

“ Vicki W. Young lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop



Vicki W. Young - March 16, 2024 at 11:58 AM

EL

“ Nelva had such a contagious smile that lite up the surroundings! She touched my life in so many ways - she taught my four children in kindergarten; I bought the house where we live in 1976 from their realty company; she was the best neighbor and brought me delicious fresh baked bread; we worshipped together at First Methodist. Nelva was a beautiful person, very special, and I loved her greatly!

Elaine Lovvorn - March 16, 2024 at 09:37 AM

VN

“ As I was researching our Garrett family history in order to write a book, Nelva was the one who started me on my journey so long ago.

*She always picked up the phone and called family members asking them to assist me and would tell me who to see and where to go.*

*I have great respect to Nelva for her love of family and her history. We are all so grateful and blessed for her work in the original Bowdon Historical Society which now holds fond memories to so many.*

*Rest in heavenly peace sweet lady, you are now home.*

*Vickie R. Nesbitt*

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**Vickie R Nesbitt** - March 15, 2024 at 07:48 PM

KD

“ I remember Nelva was the one that taught me the difference in a "house top A" & a circle with a line A when I was in Mrs. Shoffeitt's first grade. I loved being around her when I could especially when we were all growing up. But most of all, I remember my mother's younger sister, Sara Jo, died when they were in high school & every year on her birthday, she sent my Grandmother a card or flowers on Sara Jo's birthday. I always thought so much of her for that & how kind & thoughtful that was. Nelva was a precious lady.



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**Kay W Driver** - March 15, 2024 at 03:11 PM

GS

“ Greg stephens planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nelva Roop.

Greg stephens - March 15, 2024 at 02:26 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nelva Roop.



March 15, 2024 at 02:26 PM

LE

“ Nelva was an icon of Bowdon. She contributed so much to the community. Her smile would light up the room. She was a go getter and always full of energy. I will always remember the bridge parties with Nelva and David, Hugh and Ruth, Audrey and Julian and Lox and Maxine. They had so much fun together. And we miss those wonderful rolls Nelva used to always bring over. Craig and Lance, our prayers go out to you and your families.  
The Ayers; Leslie, Katie, Rachel, Suzanne, Frankie, Jeff, Betsy, Tayler, Jim

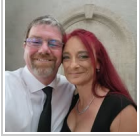
Leslie - March 15, 2024 at 12:47 PM

DC

“ Dottie Grizzard Cavender lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop



Dottie Grizzard Cavender - March 15, 2024 at 11:55 AM



“ *Mark AndTeena Vise Lowery lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



**Mark AndTeena Vise Lowery** - March 15, 2024 at 11:41 AM

MT

“ *Milinda Archer Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



**Milinda Archer Thompson** - March 15, 2024 at 11:21 AM

SM

“ *Sherrie Musick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



**Sherrie Musick** - March 15, 2024 at 10:20 AM

JM

“ *Janie R Meadows lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



**Janie R Meadows** - March 15, 2024 at 09:26 AM

SH

“ Lance and Craig im so sorry to hear about your mom!! Such fond memories of hanging out at your house...prayers my friends

Stanley L Holloway - March 15, 2024 at 08:44 AM

TC

“ Tommy&Judy Cantrell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop



Tommy&Judy Cantrell - March 14, 2024 at 09:35 PM

CB

I remember the friendship she and Audrey Jones shared. They were so much fun!!

Cindy Beam - March 15, 2024 at 10:30 AM

TS

“ Billy & Tina Simmons



Tina and Billy Simmons - March 14, 2024 at 08:34 PM

SJ

“ My second mother growing up! Like David and Keith she will be missed! Praying for all of the family! Cherishing the memories!

Steve W. Jones - March 14, 2024 at 08:24 PM

BL

“ *Bart Loftin sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



**Bart Loftin** - March 14, 2024 at 08:05 PM

SG

“ *Susan McCaghren Gibbs lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



**Susan McCaghren Gibbs** - March 14, 2024 at 08:01 PM

LV

“ *Lisa Vise lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop*



**Lisa Vise** - March 14, 2024 at 07:26 PM

DC

“ *I still have fond memories of Mrs. Roop as my kindergarten teacher. As a little girl, I remember her welcoming smile as students entered her home each day. She was a selfless lady who loved the Bowdon community.*



**Diane Barr Costley** - March 14, 2024 at 05:39 PM

LD

*Nelva was the first person to visit my mother, Carol Theune, when she moved to Bowdon from Atlanta, and Nelva continued to make sure my mother became part of the community. She was fun, loving and busy, a big part of why Bowdon is known as "The Friendly City."*

Linda Durham - March 16, 2024 at 08:16 AM

MS

“ Mike&Jan Stitche lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop



Mike&Jan Stitche - March 14, 2024 at 05:27 PM

VT

“ Velinda Herren Tilton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nelva Roop



Velinda Herren Tilton - March 14, 2024 at 04:59 PM

BM

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buck and tina meherg - March 14, 2024 at 03:58 PM