



## Edith Gifford Nelson

February 11, 1944 - May 12, 2026

Edith Gifford Nelson, 82, of Rising Fawn, GA, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, May 12, 2026.

Edith truly loved her family more than anything and was a devoted animal lover. She attended the New England Seventh-day Adventist Church and cherished the friendships and faith she found there throughout the years. Edith will be remembered for her caring heart, gentle spirit, and the love she shared with those around her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Gifford; parents, William and Lucille Nobles; brothers, Raymond Nobles and Arthur Nobles; daughter, Sandra Carroll; grandson, John Keith Gass; granddaughter, Rachelle Anderson; and great-granddaughter, Jordan Harrison.

Survivors include her daughters, Babette (Terry) Smith of Rossville and Rochelle (Richard) Walden of Florida; grandchildren, Angel (Jeremy) Stuart, Andrew (Kelsey) Shepherd, Brandi (Justin) Dixon, Jonathan (Cassie) Godwin, Emberley (Stephen) Swift, David (Katey) Godwin, Matthew Godwin, & Patrick Marsh; along with a host of beloved great-grandchildren and many friends.

A graveside service will be held on Thursday, May 14th at 2:00 p.m. at LaFayette Memory Gardens with Pastor Jared Nudd officiating. Online condolences may be shared at [ryanfuneralhome.net](http://ryanfuneralhome.net).

The family will receive friends on Thursday from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, Trenton, GA.



# Cemetery Details

## LaFayette Memory Gardens

3658 Highway 27  
LaFayette, GA 30728

# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

MAY 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory  
11415 US Hwy 11 S  
Trenton, GA 30752  
<http://ryanfuneralhome.net>

## Graveside Service

MAY 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

LaFayette Memory Gardens  
3658 Highway 27  
LaFayette, GA 30728

# Tribute Wall

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“ I had the privilege of meeting Edith only once! But I am so happy I did. But very sad not to have been able to get to know her better. 💕💕  
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Many condolences to her beloved family!

Deborah A Chupp - May 28 at 09:02 PM

LH

“ Love, LaVonne & Travis Hampton purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Edith Gifford Nelson.



Love, LaVonne & Travis Hampton - May 14 at 09:01 AM

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“ Love, LaVonne & Travis Hampton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edith Gifford Nelson.

Love, LaVonne & Travis Hampton - May 14 at 09:01 AM

TC

“ The way of the cross Baptist church purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Edith Gifford Nelson.



The way of the cross Baptist church - May 13 at 02:34 PM

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“ *Walden and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Edith Gifford Nelson.*



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**Walden and Family** - May 13 at 11:41 AM