



## Jeanette Viola Nelson

August 18, 1928 - January 30, 2019

Jeanette Viola Nelson (Watterud) was born August 18th, 1928 on the family farm near Columbus, ND. She was the 4th oldest of 12 children born to Clarence and Hazel Watterud. They lived on the family farm until she was 10 years old when they moved to Powers Lake, ND where she called home for 75 years. She graduated from PLHS in 1946. The 1st verse of the class poem was about her, "Jeanette, Jeanette, the Glamour Girl Plus, about her lessons she never did fuss; a whiz at English and Typing too, girls like her are all too few!"

She married John Nelson on December 17th, 1950. They made their home on John's family farm that John's father homesteaded in 1902. They were blessed with two sons, Jack and Jeffrey. Jeanette loved cooking and baking and opening her home to family and friends. Jeanette was most famous for her donuts, sweet rolls, and buns which brought many fond memories to everyone around her. Throughout the years, Jeanette would wait tables in Powers Lake and she and John ran their own J&J café on Main Street for a year.

She knew her God and her Bible very well, and was an active member of her church for 75 years. She was church treasurer, Sunday school teacher, and sang duets with sisters/friends in the church.

She always had a kind smile and kind word for everybody that she met. Her encouraging personality and bright smile will be missed from all. She cared unconditionally for her family and was always there for them. John and Jeanette enjoyed visiting their family in warmer climates during parts of the ND winters. Their grandkids always looked forward to the fun souvenirs Jeanette would bring back with her. Often regarded as the matriarch of her family, she was highly adored and respected by her loved ones. For the past few years, Jeanette had lived in Orlando, FL year-round with her son, Jeffrey and his partner, Josue and created many more fond memories while living there.

Jeanette is survived by her sisters Dolores, Eleanor, and Arlyce (Loyal), her brothers Marlyn (Arlys), Clarence, LaVern (Linda), and Gerald (Ardith), her sons Jack and Jeff (Josue), her grandchildren Jeremiah (Lisa), Jill (James), January (Joseph), Joshua (Laura), Justin (Hannah), and Amber (Sergio), and by her great-grandchildren Veronica, Olivia, Benjamin, and Henry.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Luella, and brothers, Calvin, Bob, and Kenneth.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

FEB 9. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

A Community Funeral Home & Sunset Cremations  
910 W. Michigan Street  
Orlando, FL 32805  
(407) 841-4424  
<https://www.acommunityfuneralhome.com/>

## Service

FEB 9. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ I am so happy to have seen Jeanette at her Birthday Party last year. She was a Vibrant and Beautiful women surrounded by lots of family and friends. You could see Her son Jeff had lots of Love for her, gave her great care and a wonderful life in Florida.  
Carmen & Leo Mrowczynski

carmen mrowczynski - February 11, 2019 at 08:30 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.



February 07, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.



February 05, 2019 at 03:24 PM



“ Kat Mathison lit a candle in memory of Jeanette Viola Nelson



Kat Mathison - February 04, 2019 at 06:39 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.*



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February 04, 2019 at 01:48 PM



“ *Elda Titus purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.*



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**Elda Titus** - February 02, 2019 at 11:50 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.*



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February 02, 2019 at 11:46 AM

“ Thank goodness for special memories and pictures that bring them back. I'd like to share a poem written by Kathy J Parenteau called "My mother, My Angel"



Once upon a time an angel held my hand.  
She wiped away my tears and helped me understand, our time on earth is brief, there are lessons to be learned. Each precious day God gives us, another page is turned. Every chapter of memories, times of joy and tears, she loved us unconditionally, always by our side. When no one else would listen, in her we could confide, with gentle words of wisdom, she led us on our way, down the paths of righteousness if ever we did stray. She saw the light in everyone and gave with no regrets, always from her heart, let's not forget. Angels come in many forms; for me it was my mother with love I cannot say in words there'll never be another. Every day I turn the page, in my heart will ever remain everything she taught me as I stroll down memory lane. Thank you God, for giving me the most priceless of all treasures. Help my, Lord, to keep alive her memory here forever. I pray that I can someday be everything she hoped I would, that she's smiling down from heaven knowing she did good. As we think of her today, there's no ending to her story. Another chapter has begun, full of grace and glory. God's called her to his heavenly home, part of his great plan. Although it may be hard, we all must understand. Faith is what is hoped for, things we cannot see. Heaven is promised to all of us if only we believe.

I believe the greatest gift all of us cousins share is that of faith, we know this is not our home we are just passing through. God Bless, hugs, prayers are with you at this time of loss.



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.* ”



February 01, 2019 at 08:10 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.* ”



February 01, 2019 at 03:54 PM



“ *Naoly Mathison lit a candle in memory of Jeanette Viola Nelson* ”



**Naoly Mathison** - February 01, 2019 at 11:22 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.* ”



February 01, 2019 at 10:24 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeanette Viola Nelson.*



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February 01, 2019 at 10:21 AM