



## Nelda Ruth Demers

June 25, 1937 - April 26, 2020

Nelda Ruth Gibbs Demers of Hide-A-Way, Texas passed away on Sunday, April 26, 2020 in Tyler, Texas. She was born June 25, 1937 in Athens, Texas to the late Floyd Burtist (Buck) Gibbs and Leila Mae (Worsham) Gibbs. Nelda has lived in Hide-A-Way Lake for the past 24 years. Prior to moving to Hide-A-Way Lake, she enjoyed many addresses as a military wife. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Lindale where she was an active choir member until the last year and a member of the Open Door Sunday School Class. She was a majorette when she attended Baylor University. While living in Waco, she was a dance instructor at Arthur Murray where she met her soul mate, Bernie. During her working years, Nelda was a sales representative for RCA Global Communications in Washington, DC and Dallas, Texas and was number one in sales at a time when men ruled the sales force. Nelda LOVED singing. She sang with big bands, small ensembles and church choirs for many years and enjoyed performing in community theater. Nelda also enjoyed Mah Jongg, Mad Hatters and several dance groups, but she was most passionate about her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They were the light of her life and she was most happy when she could be with them. Nelda was preceded in death by her parents Buck and Leila Mae Gibbs, two brothers, two sisters and one grandchild. Nelda is survived by her loving husband of 60 years, Bernie Demers of Hide-A-Way, Texas; children, Bill Demers and wife Amy, of Rochester, Washington; Dee Merritt of Allen, Texas; Chris Demers and wife Susan of Ft. Worth, Texas; Kim

Bond and husband, Mitchell of Lindale, TX. She is also survived by twelve grandchildren and nine great grandchildren and numerous loving nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorial gifts be made to Children's Advocacy Center of East Texas, 2210 Frankston Highway, Tyler, TX 75701.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Nelda Ruth Demers*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ *Nelda Ruth Demers*

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM



“ *there was a picture or her at uncle bucks when she use yo be a majorite in college .i use yo tease her and tell her she had the prettiest legs in the world. the whole truth is nelda was a beautiful woman in every way.*

jackbgibbs - April 30, 2020 at 11:33 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nelda Ruth Demers.*



April 30, 2020 at 09:12 AM

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“ I only got the joy of spending time with Nelda a couple of times, and she left an impression. On one of those occasions I had my guitar along, and she insisted we sing. She was troubled that she couldn't sing like she once could, but what she could do was enough for me. The chance to share that with her for a moment was special, and I'm proud to say that I had the chance to know her and share that moment with her.

Cory Miller - April 29, 2020 at 11:41 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nelda Ruth Demers.



April 29, 2020 at 10:55 PM

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“ I knew Nelda from the time we were 14 years old. I met her through her sister, Geri. She spent the summer in San Antonio, TX - my home town. We became great friends then, lost each other during our years of being military wives - and found each other again through Geri. We stayed friends through Facebook in the latter years. I miss her so much already because she always had a "like" or "love" and vice versa on what we were writing. She was a beautiful soul who lived life to the fullest. She suffered quietly in the years she was ill. God rest her soul forever and ever. My deepest sympathy to the family. Janice Stephenson Suggs.



Janice Suggs - April 29, 2020 at 01:30 PM

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“ Lord Jesus, Bless Bernie, Kim and Nelson. Wayne Innerarity

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**Wayne Innerarity** - April 28, 2020 at 09:07 PM

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“ Carolyn Darden lit a candle in memory of  
Nelda Ruth Demers



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**Carolyn Darden** - April 27, 2020 at 01:32 PM