



## Nelda Hollaway Adams

January 30, 1935 - January 30, 2013

Nelda Hollaway Adams, 78 of Kingston went to be with her lord Wednesday, January 30, 2013 at The Bridge At Rockwood. She was preceded in death by her parents John William and Claudia Olivia Hollaway, her husband of 50 years Floyd S. Adams, brothers Earl, John Albert, Paul and Amos Nelson Hollaway, sisters Ila, Eshcol, Lena, Gail and Patty.

She is survived by a daughter, Karen Jill Turnbill (John) of Harriman  
Sons Jack Adams (Lisa) of Kingston and Mark Adams (Ramona) of Mt, Carmel

A sister, Peggy Simpson (Fred) of Huntsville, AL

Grandchildren Zachary and Bryant Adams of Mt. Carmel

Nicholas and Jacob Turnbill of Harriman

Step grandchildren Duane Turnbill of Oak Ridge, and Amy Wilson of Clinton

Many nieces, nephews, and beloved friends

She was faithful member of Cedar Grove Baptist Church in Kingston, loved the Lord, loved singing his praises, and found great joy in sharing a home cooked meal with those around her each and every day.

Special thanks to the caring and loving CNA's nurses and staff at the Bridge, East Wing.

The family will receive friends from 12 noon until 2:00 pm Saturday February 2, 2013 at Cedar Grove Baptist Church with a celebration of Nelda's life at 2:00 pm. Interment to follow at Kingston Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers the family is requesting your remembrance be made in the form of donations to the Cedar Grove Baptist Church Building Fund, 407 Johnson Valley Road, Kingston, TN 37763 or to the Hands of Mercy of Roane County, 147 Court Street, Kingston, TN 37763.

# Tribute Wall

PS

“ *What a great homegoing ...I am so glad I got to be a part of it. It was so much like her. Happy stories and sad stories also. . What ever it was it had to be the truth. She is already being missed. Just last night I saw a gal on Idol from Oliver Springs. (she did really well). I wanted to call Nelda , tell her to be sure to watch. I caught myself saying..I think her time for shows like this are over. Her shows are at the banqueting table, His banner over her is love. We had a great relationship and very few days passed we did not talk. I miss those phone calls. Blessing to her dear God for all the lessons I learned from her just by watching. She was always in control. I loved her for knowing she had to give up to go to the Bridge to lighten the load of her children. ,From the time I was born she was 7 and her younger sister 5....5months later our mother died, I say Our because I was twin. She and the 5 year old started wagging us around, I know from the picture taken in the family album. She was always by big sister, and she always called me her little sister..I will always miss her but would never want her back in her condition. Oh my she suffered for so long. I have assurance that she is not suffering now..Thank you God for that assurance. AMen and AMen*

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**Peggy H Simpson - Huntsville, AL - sister** - February 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ I LOVED my Aunt Nelda so much...she was like a Mama to me since mine left this world too early. She was so funny and could always make me laugh...she helped me remember to be thankful for all I have in this life...because we are all so blessed in so many ways, even when things don't go your way it can be a blessing. Aunt Nelda was also a major inspiration for me too. No matter what she and her family were going through in their lives, she still shared with and helped others. She was a wonderful cook having done this from a small child, she certainly had a gift for the making FOOD taste so good. As the five star chef of the family, she also canned delicious veggies grew by Uncle Floyd and family, so I never left her home with having an excellant meal and goodies to take home. Her bread and butter and sweet pickles were to die for, and always my secret weapon for making excellant potato salad. I always had folks ask me what I did to make it so good when I added them...so even from a far she got compliments.

She and my mama were very close too since they were born 18 months apart. The stories she and mama told of growing up in a post depression era, were worthy of being in a book or on TV mini series. Sometimes sad and poignant but so funny too...they lived a happy life no matter how little material things were available to them and always worked in service of the good Lord, which also seems to be a key to their happiness. They all knew how love and love one another as Jesus would want us to do. She was also a very confident person, able to do what ever she decided she wanted to do, I think that was a product of her faith and prayerful life too.

Aunt Nelda was so proud of her family and she raised 3 wonderful children, Jill, Jack, and Mark, who have followed in her footsteps to be stand-up and be counted Christian children. I'm proud to have had the Hollaway women/family members to mold and shape my life in such profound way. She has left a footprint in my heart that I will not ever forget, and if you knew her I know you feel the same way.

God bless you into eternity Aunt Nelda, your candle burned bright

*while you were here. You showed us how to love and were so loved in by all who met you in return.*

*Love to all my cousins at this time too!*

*Teres Counts*

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**Teres Counts - Houston, TX - My Auntie** - February 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *Jill,*

*So very sorry to hear about your mother. I just found out about it today. I will keep you in my prayers. Please let me know if you need anything. I know that your mother was a good Christian woman, and that is the peace you can have, because you will see her again one day. You were very good to your mother, so know that you were there for her and you did all you could. In my prayers. Love You - Debbie*

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**Debbie Walker - Clinton, TN - Friend** - February 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *How do I begin? Nelda was one of the most thoughtful people I know. She gave me a job when I needed one cleaning her home. I didn't have a car, so many times she picked me up. No matter what she was going through, she always shared a laugh and was so POSITIVE. She never felt sorry for herself. The only tears I saw her shed was for the fact that she could no longer cook and carry food to the sick-and of course tears of missing her precious Floyd.*

*Jill and Jack, you had a wonderful mother (and Father) and what beautiful memories of a mother who loved you more than life.*

*God bless and comfort you during this time. Love, Kathi*

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**Kathi Hamilton - Kingston, TN - Friend** - February 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Nelda you are going to be missed. I will miss your smiling face . I remember growing up at Cedar Grove in the youth and everytime I saw you , you were always happy and you could see how much you loved the Lord when you were singing in the choir and even seeing you on the street, you shined for him.*  
*We know you are in a much better place now celebrating with your Lord and Savior. I could only imagine how awesome that could be. Again you are a very special lady and you are going to be missed by many.*

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**Karen Russell Hunt - Harriman, TN - Friend** - February 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Dear Ramona, Mark and family,*

*We are sorry to hear about Nelda. We know she is rejoicing in Heaven with Flyod .She was a very special lady and loved. She will be dearly missed.We love you all!! We are Praying for you all!!*

*Love ,  
Sharon ,Karen, and Louise*

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**Sharon Wiggins, Karen Hunt , Louise Russell - Lenoir City, TN - Friend and cousin to Ramona** - February 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *Dear Cousins, Aunt Nelda was a positive force in my life; a wonderful, loving wife to my Uncle Floyd, she set an example of what a Christian woman should be as a wife, mother, church member and part of the community. May God comfort you all in your loss. Much love, Sherry and Mardy*

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**Sherry Broom - Ringgold, GA - neice** - February 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Jack & Lisa, our prayers are still with you. We extend you our deepest love and sympathy and pray for God's comfort and strength to you during these days. We were so blessed to serve God with Nelda in church for 2 years and really enjoyed knowing her.  
In Christ's Love,  
George & Margie

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**George & Margie Wadlington - Kingston, TN - Friend** - February 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Jill and family,  
I was saddened to learn about the death of your precious Mother. Although I have not seen her much over the years, I can still laugh about the stories she told us, and the advice she gave us. She was a sweet lady who was always laughing and kept those around her laughing. Please accept my sincere sympathy and know that I am thinking of you in this difficult time.  
Sandi

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**Sandi (Black) Williams - Sunbright, TN - Friend** - February 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PN

“ Aunt Nelda will certainly be missed! My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Phyllis wade - Fort Walton Beach , FL - neice** - February 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a very special person.

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**Russ and Wanda Limburg, Bill Guettner - Kingston, TN - friends** - February 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *Mark and family we are so sorry ,but your Mother had to go home and she is so happy .  
We love you and your family . Our prays are with you.*

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**Mildred B and Enoch Ford - Mount Carmel , , TN - Friends of Mark and Romana**  
- January 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ *Mark, Bryant, and family,  
So sorry to hear about your Mom and Grandmother. Just wanted you to know that you are in our Prayers.*

*Carrie, Jason,  
Mily, & Isaac  
Rhoton*

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**Carrie Rhoton - VA - January 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

VF

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. It is never easy to lose our loved ones. I think the longer we have them with us - the harder it is. It was this time last year, February 2nd, that we lost our mom - our precious mother. I know your mother is so precious an dear to all of you but we have to remember that we are rejoicing now that she has entered the Heavenly Gates. It will be hard and is still very hard but I know my mom is Walking the Streets of Gold and in a Paradise that we can never imagine. Your memories will always be with you, just as your mother will always be with you - in your Heart. My love and prayers are with each of you.*

*Love you,  
Vicki*

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**Vicki McLain - Mount Carmel, TN - friend - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

WS

“ God has been so faithful to us. When Shauna was in intensive care Park West Hospti in Knoxville with her stroke, we became quick friends with another family there. We found out they were Betsy and Jim and they were Marks parents neighbors, Jim and Betsy. Just that connection made us feel more comfortable and knew this was a sign from God that He cares for us!  
We love you and you are in our prayers.  
Evie and Wayne

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**Wayne and Evie Vaughn - Surgoinsville,, TN - Friends of Mark, Ramona and Sons** - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dear Mark and Ramona,  
  
My heart aches for your loss, but I know heaven is rejoicing at Nelda's homecoming party. Please know that I love you both dearly and will continue to keep your family in my prayers.  
  
Love and blessings my sweet brother and sister in Christ,  
Dinah DeFord

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**Dinah DeFord - Kingsport, TN - Friend** - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. We are so sorry for your loss.

*The Osborne Family,  
Randy, Stephanie, Noah and Leah*

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**Stephanie Osborne - kingsport, TN - friend** - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Dear Mark, Ramona, Zack, Bryant & family,  
Our hearts and prayers have been with you during your Mom's/Grandma's declining health and ESPECIALLY now at her Homecoming. We love you and deeply share in your time of sorrow. I will never forget when we helped you move into your house...how Nelda had food there on the snack bar for everyone who came to help. Mom and Dad Adams were there to welcome all who entered. What a wonderful legacy Nelda left to her children and grandchildren.  
Embrace that legacy and the love of your sweet parents.  
We love you...

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**Tommy & Cathy Dean - Church Hill, TN - Friends of Mark & Ramona & Sons -**  
January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ May you find comfort in the memories of your mother. You are in my prayers.

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**Debbie Renfro - Clinton, TN -** January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM