



## Mrs. Edna Nell Bradley

August 16, 1920 - March 19, 2016

Edna Bradley, age 95, of Canon, GA quietly slipped away from the bonds of this world on March 19 while under the care of Gentiva Hospice in Athens, GA. She was born near Royston, GA in 1920, the youngest child of George and Minnie Poore. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Hugh, Drayton and Charles Poore. She is survived by sons, Doug (Lynne Squilla) and Wayne (Dawn Robinson); her grandson, Lucas Bradley (Katie Croghan); and a bounty of loving brothers and sisters-in-law, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Edna married Hale Bradley of the New Franklin community, and the young couple moved to Columbia, SC in 1950 where they raised their two sons, Doug and Wayne. Edna was a wonderful mother, great cook, faithful member of the Methodist Church, dear friend to many, talented horticulturist/florist and an avid reader. Her house was full of books. She read so many books that she put her son, the English major, to shame. When she and Hale retired, they moved back to her old home place near Canon, GA where she continued to garden, read and befriend all those she met.

Her husband, Hale, died in 2000. With support from family, church community and neighbors, Edna adjusted well to living alone for the first time in her life. Then in 2013 she moved to The Gables assisted living facility in Royston, GA where she made yet more friends. On her final morning she was visited by

daughter-in-law, Dawn. Edna opened her eyes, smiled at Dawn and whispered, "Let's get out of here!", and then she dozed off again. Perfect last words. Later that evening, her son, Wayne, was reading to her from Ernest Hemingway's Islands in the Stream when she gently faded away.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 26, at 11:00 a.m. at Redwine United Methodist Church, 3861 Redwine Church Road, Canon, GA 30520. Family visitation at the church will begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue after the service.

Flowers are optional. Donations are welcomed at Redwine Church, 3861 Redwine Church Road Canon, GA 30520 or Gentiva Hospice, 855 Gaines School Road Athens, GA 30605.

Pruitt Funeral Home of Royston, GA is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Redwine Church  
3548 Redwine Church Road  
Canon, GA

## Memorial Service

MAR 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Canon, GA

# Tribute Wall

MD

“ Edna was a a substitute mother and best friend to me for a period of time. She was that special sort of lady who made you feel like the most important person when you were with her. We reconnected by letters for a time before her passing and her letters were a special treat that I looked forward to reading. She had a delightful sense of humor, a very strong faith in God and a heart full of love. I am so grateful and blessed to have known her. My sympathy and condolences to the family. ❤️



Margie Pusser Davis - December 23, 2018 at 12:52 PM

KP

“ Edna was one of the greatest people I had the privilege to know. Our hanging out and enjoying her conversations and meals will always be among my fondest memories. Love, Kip

Kip Phillips - March 25, 2016 at 10:10 AM



“ Doug and Wayne,

We're sorry for your loss. Your mom was a sweet lady and we will miss her. Our prayers are with your families.

Al and Donna

Al Sewell - March 24, 2016 at 10:15 AM

JF

“ Wayne,  
*I have such fond memories of your mother. She was a remarkable woman and I know you will miss her very much.*

*God's Peace, Jeanette Hast Ford*

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**Jeanette H. Ford** - March 24, 2016 at 10:04 AM

PJ

“ Doug, sorry to hear about your mother passing, please except my condolences.

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**Paul Jones** - March 23, 2016 at 02:48 PM

 Ralph Keller

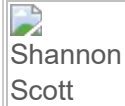
“ Doug & Lynne,

*We are so sorry for your loss...*

*Ralph & Kathy Keller*

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**Ralph Keller** - March 23, 2016 at 01:59 PM



Shannon  
Scott

“ *Doug and Lynne, Wayne and Dawn, and Lucas and Katie,*

*I am sitting here trying to figure out how to summarize all the thoughts and feelings I have about my friendship with Edna. I have so many special memories of our times spent in the kitchen at Columbia College Drive talking for hours about anything and everything. We kept those conversations up through notes to each other until she was not longer able to write back. I know I will hold all those memories in my heart forever.*

*I know all of you have your own wonderful memories to sustain you as well. Your Mama was a wonderful, kind person who made a difference in many people's lives.*

*A hug and love to all of you,*

*Shannon Scott*

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**Shannon Scott** - March 23, 2016 at 11:34 AM

RT

“ *I WILL MISS MY VISITS WITH EDNA, AS WELL AS HER LETTERS. SHE WAS A DEAR FRIEND OF MINE FOR DECADES. I WANT TO SEND MY SINCERE CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL LADY.*

*ROBERT L. TURNER  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA*

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**Robert L. Turner** - March 21, 2016 at 08:52 PM

DM

“ Wayne and Doug your mother was such a strong, wonderful woman. When I think of her, I remember her as someone who epitomize the qualities of “the greatest generation.” I am sorry for your loss and hope you can find comfort knowing she is now at peace.

Fondly,

Delores



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**Delores Moree** - March 21, 2016 at 08:34 PM

CM

“ Connie Moon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Edna Nell Bradley



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**Connie Moon** - March 21, 2016 at 03:26 PM