



## Nelva Owens

September 4, 1942 - December 2, 2017

Nelva C. Owens (Neal) passed away peacefully Saturday, December 2nd, 2017 with her children by her side. She had recently been battling multiple health issues.

Funeral Mass will be held at St. Clement Church on Wednesday, December 6th at 10 AM, with the Rev. Jason T. Doke, STL. Burial will be held at St. Clement Cemetery. Visitation will be held at Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green, Missouri on Tuesday, December 5th from 4-8 PM.

Nelva was born in Vandalia, Missouri to the late Cloyd and Violet (Horton) Neal. She married August (Gus) Owens, on September 3rd, 1960. Nelva worked for 30+ years at N.E.C.A.C. She was a minister of her faith to many. She volunteered for many years in prison ministry and impacted many lives for the better. In 1997, Nelva graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Management from Hannibal-LaGrange College.

Nelva enjoyed painting, photography, traveling and spending time with her sisters. She was an avid quilter and loved sharing her gifts with others.

Nelva was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years August (Gus) Owens. She is survived by her loving children, Tony (Brenda) of Vandalia and Brad (Anne) of O'Fallon; her much loved grandchildren, Caleb (Elizabeth) of

Nashville, TN, Beth (Andy) of Macon, Lucas of O'Fallon; her most adored great-grandchildren River of Nashville, TN and Baby Boy Busick of Macon. Nelva is survived by her siblings, Barbara (Allen) Snodgrass of Quincy, IL, Karolyn (Bob) Green of Vandalia, Billy (Linda) Neal of New Bern, NC, Nena Neal of Vandalia, Mike Neal of Mexico. Nelva was preceded in death by her sisters, Marilyn Rhodes and Sharon Neal and brother Nelson Neal.

Pallbearers are Caleb Owens, Andy Busick, Elijah Owens, Henry Martin, Allen Chandler, Travis Bryant and Lucas Owens.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made in Nelva's name to the St. Clement Cemetery Association.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Clement Cemetery

St. Clement, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 5. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC - Bowling Green  
606 West Main Street  
Bowling Green, MO 63334  
(573) 324-2211  
office@bibbveach.com  
<https://www.bibbveach.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Clement Catholic Church  
21509 Hwy 161  
Bowling Green, MO 63334  
<http://www.stclementmo.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *The Battenfeld Technologies Team purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Nelva Owens.*



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**The Battenfeld Technologies Team** - December 05, 2017 at 11:31 AM



“ *As my new boss in 1991 Nelva quickly became my mentor. We worked side by side for 4 years until I moved on from NECAC. We continued to see each other at work conferences and communicate for years to come. I have never met anyone before or since that was such an inspiration to her colleagues. We will carry Nelva with us always!*

*Linda Hollandsworth and Staff  
Phelps County PHA*

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**Linda Hollandsworth** - December 05, 2017 at 09:19 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nelva Owens.*



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December 05, 2017 at 08:53 AM

JH

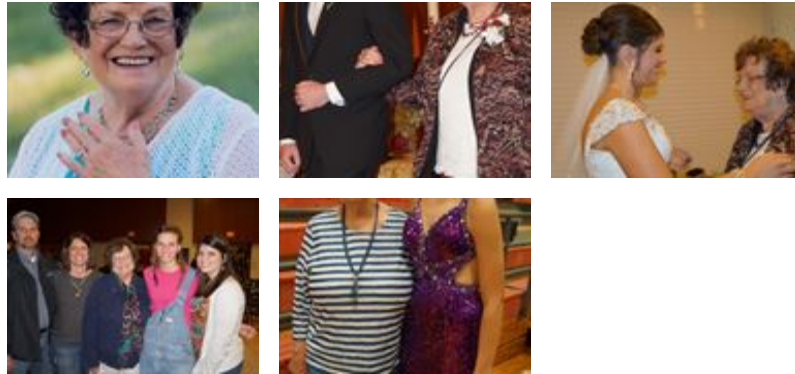
“ I only got to know Nelva in the past couple of years. Her friend and mine, Marie Korte introduced us. Nelva was indeed a beautiful woman, inside and out!! She will be sorely missed by all who knew her!

Condolences, Joyce Hummel

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**Joyce Hummel** - December 04, 2017 at 10:07 PM



“ 101 files added to the album LifeTributes



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**Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC.** - December 04, 2017 at 09:28 PM

MA

“ Marian lit a candle in memory of Nelva Owens



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**Marian** - December 04, 2017 at 09:02 PM

MK

Brad & Tony so sorry to hear about your mom! She was a special lady! Sympathy and prays for you and your families.

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**Marian Kuntz** - December 04, 2017 at 09:03 PM

MJ

“ *Nelva was such a great lady. She attended water aerobics with us for a short time and I was acquainted with her for several years. May she rest in peace. May Our Lord grant you comfort and strength in the coming days.*

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**Margie Jamieson** - December 04, 2017 at 05:53 PM

NH

“ *Light and Love lift the family and friends of Nelva at this time of loss. Until we meet again.*

*Nancy Masner  
OACAC Housing Program*



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**Nancy Masner (OACAC HOUSING)** - December 04, 2017 at 04:11 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nelva Owens.*



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December 04, 2017 at 02:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Nelva Owens.*



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December 04, 2017 at 12:23 PM

CL

“ Was an honor to know Nelva! She loved her family so much and spoke of all of you often  
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**Cindy Logan** - December 04, 2017 at 11:40 AM

JD

“ Loved meeting Nelva at Class with George Kramer a lovely woman. So sorry for your loss

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**jane deters** - December 04, 2017 at 10:21 AM

DE

“ Our sincere sympathy to the Owens family. You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. Sincerely. Dave and Debbie

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**Debbie Ebbesmeyer** - December 04, 2017 at 08:07 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nelva Owens.



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December 03, 2017 at 09:18 PM

RN

“ Rick & Kathy Neal lit a candle in memory of Nelva Owens



Rick & Kathy Neal - December 03, 2017 at 07:34 PM

KW

“ I feel very fortunate to have known Nelva. I believe that she touched every person she met in such a positive, caring and loving way. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Kay Williams - December 03, 2017 at 06:58 PM

MO

“ I loved Nelva. She was a beautiful lady and added much to our family. She will be missed by all of us . May she rest in the arms of Jesus.

Mary Owens - December 03, 2017 at 06:44 PM

BC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Nelvas family. She was a truly a lovely, beautiful lady inside and out. A true Catholic woman who lived her faith daily. We will miss her so much.

Bill ad Patti Crane - December 03, 2017 at 06:36 PM