



## Linda "Lin" Ovelyn Nelms

April 5, 1948 - December 4, 2023

Nelms, Linda ("Lin") Ovelyn, 75, of Leesburg, Florida, passed away on Monday, December 4, 2023. A Miami native, Lin was in the first graduating class of Miami Coral Park Senior High School. She attended Scarritt-Bennett College for Christian Workers in Nashville, graduating with a Bachelors and Masters in Christian Education. She worked as a Christian educator in Rome, Georgia, and Haines City, Palma Ceia in Tampa, and Miami, Florida. Lin worked as a secretary and event planner in Miami and Coral Gables. After marrying her husband, Darrell, and having a son, Jonathan, Lin earned another Master's Degree in Education from Florida International University. She worked as a library media specialist for Miami-Dade Public Schools for nineteen years. Lin was an Alpha Delta Kappa sister and former chapter president. After retiring from Pine Lake Elementary she deepened her involvement with her church, First United Methodist Church of Coral Gables. In 2017, Lin moved with her husband to Leesburg, FL, where she was active in Morrison United Methodist Church and in the Fellowship of Worship Artists. Lin loved the natural world and travel. She loved orchids, fabric crafts, and finely wrought ornaments and place settings. She loved music; she sang and she played the viola and handbells. Lin is predeceased by parents Ralph and Sarah Nelms, and survived by her husband, Darrell Miles, and her son, Jonathan Miles.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, December 16, in the

Sanctuary at Morrison United Methodist Church in Leesburg. Following the service, the family will receive friends in the Family Life Center.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Morrison United Methodist Church, 1005 W. Main St., Leesburg, FL 34748, marked for the music ministry.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Leesburg, Florida.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

DEC 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

Morrison United Methodist Church  
1005 W Main St  
Leesburg, FL 34748-4924  
(352) 787-3786

# Tribute Wall

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“ Remembering the summer Linda and I took a road trip in her new 73 Ford. Picked up her 80 yr old Auntie in Atlanta and saw the musical "Godspell" on stage. The 3 of us then drove on up to Maggie Valley in the Carolinas where we stayed in a chalet for the week. We arrived back home in Miami not empty handed. The trunk of the Ford was full of "contraband." Unable to buy Tide detergent in FLA we had the cleanest clothes in town!!

Linda was my Maid of Honor in my wedding in 1975. She is truly missed.

*Pamela Bates Courtney*

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**Pamela Courtney** - December 10, 2023 at 05:25 PM