



## Dora Lee "Ned" Bowers

April 18, 1931 - September 16, 2017

Dora Lee (Ned) Chitwood Bowers, age 86, went to her final home to be with the Lord on September 16, 2017 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Ned was one of twins born in Fort Payne, Alabama on April 18, 1931 to the late Reuben George and Inus Marie Mikels Chitwood.

After graduating from Dekalb High School, she married her high school sweetheart, LaVaughn, on February 6, 1950. She served many years molding the lives of preschoolers at First Baptist Church of Fort Payne. She also served as the team mother and chief cheerleader for the many teams that LaVaughn coached.

Ned is survived by her husband of 67 years, LaVaughn; three children, Donna (Lanny) Holbrook, Kent (Victoria) Bowers, and Glenn (Teresa) Bowers; six grandchildren, Kristy (David) Filmore, Misty (Eddie) Moseley, Paul (Eunice) Bowers, Julia (Samuel) Presson, Hannah Bowers, and Brett Bowers; seven and a half great grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

Funeral services will be held 12:30pm Friday, September 22 at the Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Fort Payne with burial following in the Glenwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Friday beginning at 11:00am until the hour of service. The family requests anyone who played ball under the Bowers guidance to serve as honorary pallbearers.

# Cemetery

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**Glenwood Cemetery**  
1002 Grand Avenue SW  
Fort Payne, AL, 35967

# Events

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**SEP 22 Visitation** 11:00AM - 12:30PM  
Wilson Funeral Home  
3801 Gault Ave. N, Fort Payne, AL, US, 35967

**SEP 22 Funeral Service** 12:30PM  
Wilson Funeral Home Chapel  
3801 Gault Avenue North, Fort Payne, AL, US, 35967

# Comments

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“ May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and gave everlasting comfort and good hope by means of undeserved kindness, comfort your hearts and make you firm.”—2 Thess. 2:16, 17

**Carolyn Mason** - September 23, 2017 at 02:35 PM

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“ My happiest memories were growing up with the Bowers family. I still remember when Cecil took me to the Barber shop where Bull worked and I got to sit in one of the chairs. I know we pestered Ned on summer days as soon as we woke up we would head over to their house and ask if Kent and Glenn could come out and play!! That utility room was full of every kind of ball you could imagine!! We would play until they had to go in for supper! Bull coached Tim in baseball and Tim considered him a father figure. Still does. They always seem to pick up where they left off when they would see each other and talk for hours. Louise Ave will never be the same as it was when I had my grandparents and on one side the Bowers and the other side the Poes. I was truly blessed to grow up with such wonderful role models. Oh, I can't leave out the huge terrapins that would venture down from the woods and Ned would write on their shells with fingernail polish so they would know if it were one of the same ones that would visit the next year. I had a great childhood because of Ned and Bull!! ( And Glenn and Kent!) Rest in peace Ned. I love you! Dee Dee

**Dee Dee Debter** - September 21, 2017 at 10:20 PM

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“ Ned was a resident when I first started to work at Regency Retirement Village. We shared a lot in common, we both loved to sew. Her sewing continued even at the facility and I couldn't wait to see what she was making. She had an art, one I could never fulfill and a pleasant smile and loved hearing her memories. She will be missed, but memories last a lifetime. God bless the family, rejoice for she is with the Lord.

**Donna Wincek** - September 21, 2017 at 11:35 AM