

"Twenty-Third Psalm"

*The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*He restoreth my soul;
He leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness for his name's sake.*

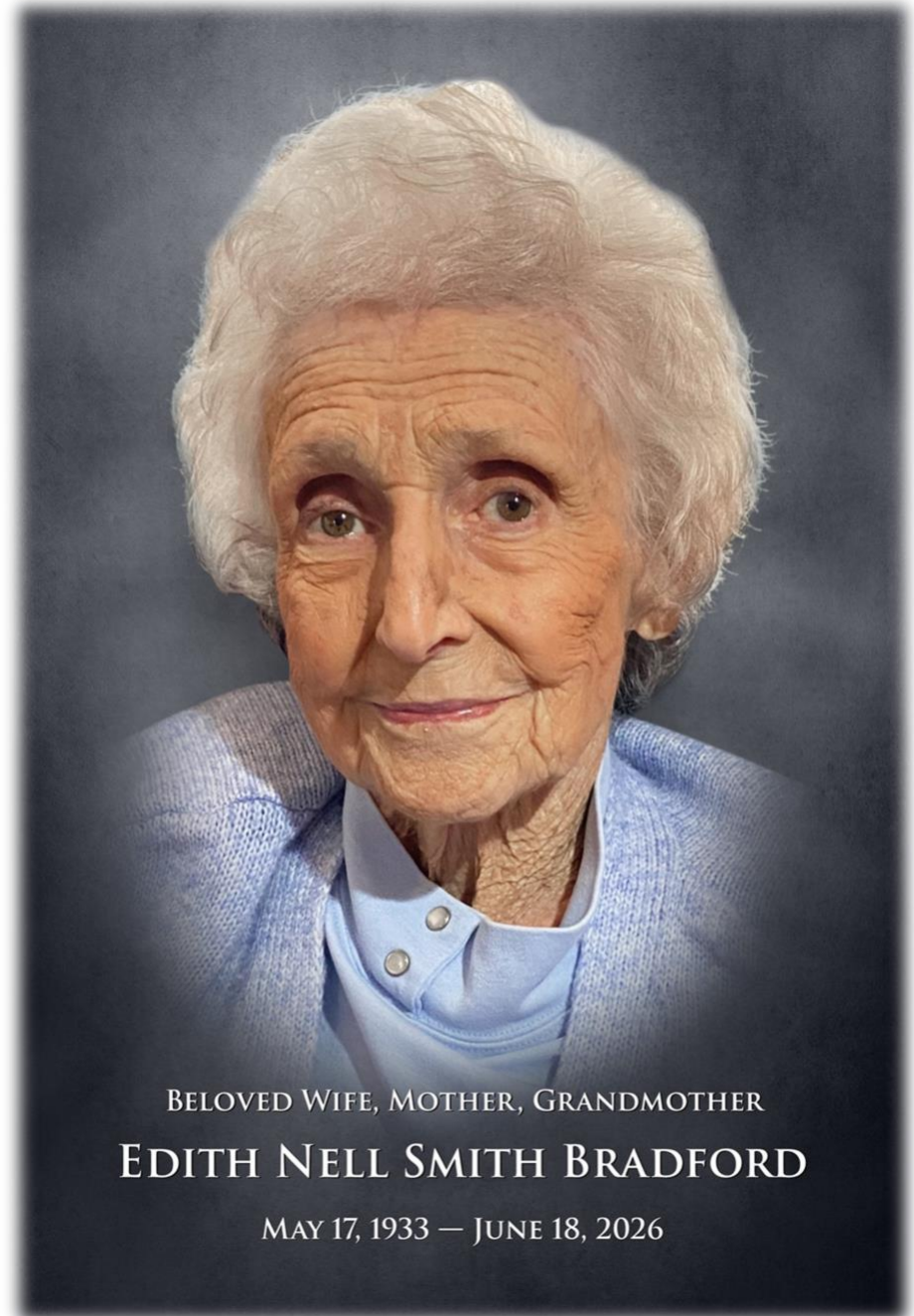
*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death. I will fear no evil;
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy
staff they comfort me.*

*Thou preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies; thou anointest
my head with oil; my cup runneth over.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow
me all the days of my life; and I will dwell
in the house of the Lord forever.*



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BELOVED WIFE, MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER
EDITH NELL SMITH BRADFORD

MAY 17, 1933 — JUNE 18, 2026

Celebrating...Honoring...Remembering

*Memorial Chapel of Berry Funeral Home
Saturday, June 20, 2026, at 3:00p.m.*

Order of Service

Processional *Mrs. Diane Moss*

Opening Remarks *Rev. Tim Adams*

"How Great Thou Art" Rev. Tim Adams
Mrs. Diane Moss

Eulogy *Rev. Tim Savelle*

Closing Prayer *Rev. Tim Savelle*

Recessional "Go Rest High"

Nell will be laid to rest alongside Mattox at the Bradford Family Cemetery immediately following the service. The family appreciates your understanding in allowing this to be a private ceremony.

Pallbearers

Jason Franklin, Robbie Childs, Ben Childs
Josh Franklin, Corey Bradford, Allen Bradford
Matt Bradford, Alex Bradford

Memorial Contributions

*Francis Asbury Methodist Church
1016 Ruckersville Road
Elberton, Georgia 30635*

Obituary

Mrs. Edith 'Nell' Smith Bradford, 93, of Elberton, wife of 45 years to the late Ben Mattox Bradford, passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 18, 2026, at Magnolia Estates, with family by her side.

The youngest of eight, Mrs. Bradford was born in Lincolnton on May 17, 1933, daughter of the late Henry Thomas Smith and Eva Brown Smith. She was a member of Francis Asbury Methodist Church and worked alongside Mattox at the family business, Bradford Granite Company.

Nell was an amazing cook, famous for her homemade bread and delicious cinnamon rolls. She loved music and was an excellent piano player. Nell took pride in her yard work, working diligently to keep her grass and many flower beds in immaculate condition.

Surviving are her children and their spouses: Ellen and Merrill Franklin, Melanie and Bob Childs, John and Renee Bradford, and Mark and Sherry Bradford, all of Elberton. She was a loving “Grandmama” and “Nanny” to her beloved grandchildren and their spouses: Jason and Danielle Franklin, Robbie and Brandye Childs, the late Jarrett Franklin and his wife Julie, Ben and Sunny Childs, Josh and Megan Franklin, Hannah and Justin Brown, Corey Bradford and Johna Myers, Caitlin and Nate Lewis, Allen and Marlee Bradford, Matt and Blakeley Bradford, and Alex and Madison Bradford; fifteen great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she is preceded in death by her siblings: Sam Smith, Zack Smith, Lucy Gulley, Cynthia Rucker, Doris Marks, Dorothy Brown, and Little Henry Smith.

The family wishes to extend their sincerest appreciation to the staff of Magnolia Estates as well as to Courtney Whitfield and the staff of Bristol Hospice.