

Therefore we are
always
confident
knowing that,
whilst we are at home in the body,
we are absent from the Lord.
(For we walk by faith & not by sight.)

We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be
absent from the body:
and to be present with the Lord

Wherefore we labor that,
whether present or absent, we may be

accepted
of Him
- II Corinthians 5:6-9



What a comfort...

For us to know that our burden of grief
was shared by our family & friends.

~ Thank You



In Loving Memory of
Elizabeth Sarah Nell Drake Loyd
July 18, 1943 - June 13, 2025



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Don't think of her as gone away -
her **JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN**,
life holds so many facets -
this earth is only one.

Just think of her as resting
from the sorrows and the tears
in a place of *warmth*
AND COMFORT
where there are no days and years.

Think how she must be wishing
that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.

In the *Hearts* of those she touched
And think of her as living
For nothing loved is ever lost -
And she was loved so much.
- Ellen Brenneman

Date of Birth

July 18, 1943

Date of Death

June 13, 2025

Funeral Service

3 o'clock in the afternoon
Friday, June 20, 2025
Vineyards Creek Baptist Church

Officiating

Rev. Jamie Callaway

Interment

Vineyards Creek Baptist Church Cemetery

Pallbearers

Stanley Johnson, Sammy Johanson, Kyle Johanson,
Steve Drake, Jeff Davis, Jody Johnson

Contributions

Faith Baptist Church
2827 Bowman Highway
Bowman, Georgia 30624

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Honor *Loving Memory*

Mrs. Elizabeth Sarah Nell Drake Loyd, 81, of Bowman, wife of 62 years to the late John 'Hewell' Loyd, passed away peacefully on Friday, June 13, 2025, surrounded by the love of her family.

The eighth of twelve children, Sarah was born in Madison County on July 18, 1943, to Loyd Joe Drake and Lizzie Belle Parham Drake. A hardworking woman, she held many jobs throughout the years; working for many years at Oxford Manufacturing in Bowman, worked for the Internal Revenue Service, and retired from Southeastern Power Administration.

Sarah loved the Lord and loved worshiping with her church family. She started her relationship with Lord as a small child at Vineyards Creek Baptist Church in Comer and continued that relationship at Faith Baptist Church in Bowman. In her later years, Sarah enjoyed fellowshiping with the Widow's Ministry at Deep Creek Baptist Church.

She loved being outdoors, camping, and spending time at the lake. Many special memories were made at the Elbert County Fish and Game Club on Clarks Hill Lake - pontooning, jet skiing, and water skiing just to name a few. In her spare time, she enjoyed reading, cross stitching, and flower gardening. She enjoyed playing bingo at the Elbert County Senior Center, but above all she loved her family and helping others.

Surviving are her daughters: Cynthia Johanson and her husband Sammy of Bowman and Stephanie Loyd of Colbert; grandchildren: Christina Johanson Davis and her husband Jeff, Kyle Johanson and his wife Grace, Jaxon Marchman, and Regan Loyd; siblings: Dorothy Scoggins, Emory Thomas Drake, Donald Drake, Steve Drake, and Brenda Loyd; and a host nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Along with her husband and parents, she is preceded in death by her siblings: L.G. Drake, Larry Drake, Barry Drake, Betty Johnson, Peggy Jean Drake, and an infant brother.