



## Viola Weda Wenzel

November 19, 1935 - July 19, 2023

Viola W Wenzel passed away peacefully July 19 at 1:15am. She was a resident of Autumn Care of Cornelius Assisted Living Facility at the time of her passing.

Viola was born Nov 19, 1935 at Bushwick hospital in Brooklyn, NY to Troy Steve Gowens (1906-1974) and Selma Harrison (1913-1994). As a young girl of 7 or 8, she and her siblings went to a boarding school for "War Children" (Grahams School, Hastings on the Hudson) while her father was serving and her mother worked at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Following her graduation from Mineola High School in Mineola, NY, she worked in Civil Service for the former Mitchell Field Air Force base in Westbury, NY before marrying William H Wenzel Sr (1934-2007) in June 1958. She had lived in Commack, NY and Pompano Beach, FL before retiring to Mooresville, NC in 2003. Viola was an avid bingo player, and enjoyed playing cards and other board games with family and friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, George H Gowens who passed away in 2002.

Surviving her are two siblings, Eugene Gowens of Colorado, and Eleanor Gowens of Florida; her children, William H Wenzel Jr of Kansas, and Laura Ann Bolt of North Carolina; 8 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and 5

great-great grandchildren.

The family will receive friends on Monday, July 31 from 5:00-7:00 PM at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, August 1 at the chapel of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home with Pastor Dave Keck officiating. Burial will follow the service at 1:00 PM at Salisbury National Cemetery.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Wenzel family. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Salisbury National Cemetery

501 Statesville Blvd  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Previous Events

## Receiving Friends

JUL 31. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home  
494 E. Plaza Drive  
Mooresville, NC 28115

## Funeral Service

AUG 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Chapel  
494 E. Plaza Drive  
Mooresville, NC 28115

## Graveside Service

AUG 1. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Salisbury National Cemetery  
501 Statesville Blvd  
Salisbury, NC 28144



# Tribute Wall

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“ We miss you dearly here at Autumn Care of Cornelius Activities Department

shantel - August 29, 2023 at 04:46 PM

DK

“ Played lots of cards with Aunt Vi over the years. She was a truly good person who never harmed a soul. Losing a person like her is truly a loss. I am sure she is with Uncle Bill.

DEBRA M KLOPP - July 30, 2023 at 05:40 PM

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“ Eleanor, Deb and Kevin and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Viola Weda Wenzel.

Eleanor, Deb and Kevin and family - July 30, 2023 at 05:37 PM

EF

“ Eleanor, Deb and Kevin and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Viola Weda Wenzel.



Eleanor, Deb and Kevin and family - July 30, 2023 at 05:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Viola Weda Wenzel.*



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July 30, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Viola Weda Wenzel.*



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July 30, 2023 at 12:23 PM