

Rhonda RAVES



Even though I'm always on the go, all across the U.S., deep Southern roots are who I am.

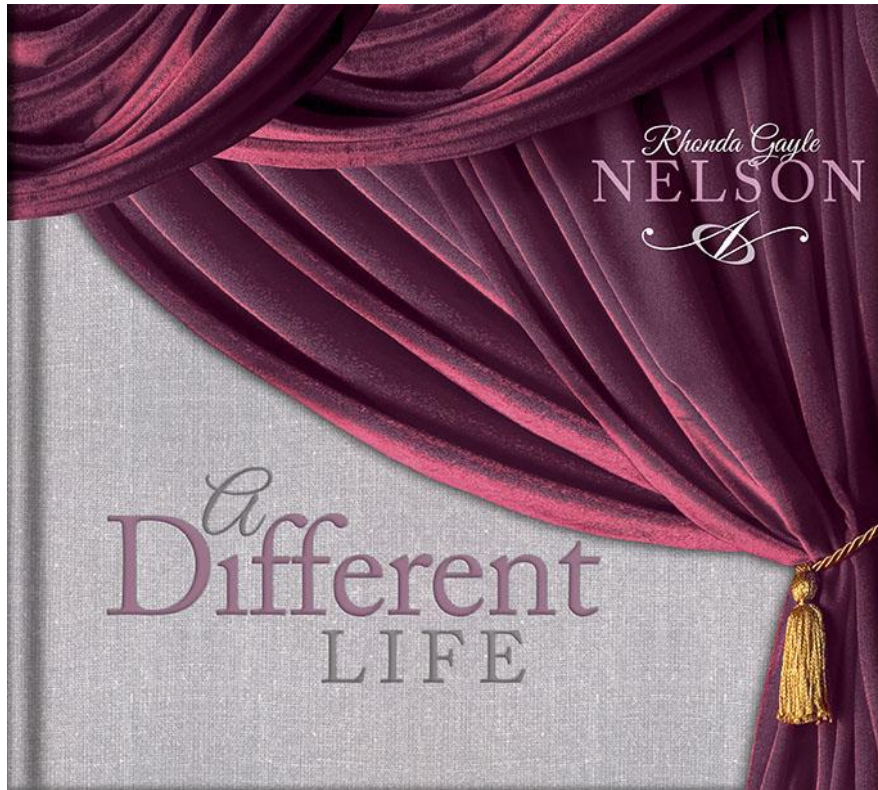
Like my parents, I was born and raised in Tennessee. Beginning as early as 14 or 15 years old, I began to travel internationally and was exposed to foods from all over the world. As an adult, I realized just how much food and travel have been common threads in my life. This became especially clear while writing my first book, *A Different Life*, which is full of family photos and recipes that I truly treasure.

My husband Wayne Nelson is the lead singer in Little River Band. And yes, we met at a Little River Band show at the Wildhorse Saloon in Nashville. My girlfriends and I made our way from the back of the venue right up to the front of the stage during their set. From the time we were introduced backstage in October 1999, until we married a year later, we saw each other only a handful of times – and I spent a lot of time on the road with the band. In fact, I still do!

To find out where I've been lately and what I'm doing now, you can find me [@RhondaRaves](#).

A DIFFERENT LIFE

By RHONDA GAYLE NELSON



What's it like to grow up as a small town Southern girl and marry a rock star, and then discover you'll have to share the love of your life with the band and thousands of their fans?

That's what happened to Rhonda Nelson, whose husband Wayne Nelson is the lead singer and bass player for Little River Band. Since 2000, Rhonda and Wayne have traveled across the U.S. together, sharing a love of classic rock, seeking out their favorite wineries, and socializing with new and old friends alike.

In *A Different Life*, Rhonda pulls back the curtain on celebrity life while offering readers a chance to hear stories, enjoy treasured family recipes and photos, and experience all things pertaining to life on the road.

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