



Shirley Smith

May 26, 1927 - November 15, 2017

A funeral for Shirley Smith, age 90, will be Saturday, November 25 at 11 o'clock a.m. at Your Family Church, 1301 N. Independence in Enid, Oklahoma, with Rev. Rick Dominic officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery with arrangements by Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home. Visitation will be Friday evening, November 24, from 5:30 to 7:00 at the funeral home.

Shirley Smith was born to Benjamin and Eva Garrison in Rock Springs, Wyoming on May 26, 1927, and went to be with the Lord in Perry, Oklahoma, on November 15, 2017. Shirley's life was filled with loving acts of self-sacrifice and service as a reflection of her deep and abiding faith. She was a faithful member of Olivet Baptist Church, now Your Family Church. Among her many gifts was her ability to extend grace and hospitality. Whether cooking for her cherished family or college students or her church family, her joy for serving was a delight to all.

On June 8, 1943, Shirley married James W. Smith in O'Kean, Arkansas and their 59 years of marriage is an example of abiding love and joy. She is preceded in death by her husband, her son James David Smith and Suellen Singer who was like a daughter. Shirley is survived by her children Benny L. Smith and his wife Linda of Perry, Sheryl Smith of Arkansas, Bonnie Bemis and her husband Jim of Minnesota, Kathy Spratt and her husband Robert of Florida, Karen King and her husband Bob of Norman; 15 grandchildren; 23

great-grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren. Shirley also embraced the Singer family as her own.

Shirley will be dearly missed as a beloved matriarch, friend and encourager. Memorials may be made through Anderson-Burris, 3002 N. Van Buren, Enid, Oklahoma 73703 to Your Family Church.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

6405 Memorial Dr
Enid, OK 73701

Previous Events

Visitation with Family & Friends

NOV **24**. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home
Enid, OK

Funeral Service

NOV **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Your Family Church
1301 North Independence
Enid, OK

Tribute Wall



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Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home - November 22, 2017 at 03:32 PM



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“ 42 files added to the album *From Wagons to Jet Planes*



Karen - November 20, 2017 at 08:04 PM

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“ *I hadn't seen or talked to Aunt Shirley in quite some time, but we again crossed paths at JDs' funeral where I was reminded again what special soul she was. I gave her my cell number and thereafter heard from her every couple of months. After the first of these calls I would drop whatever I had in my hands and in my head and find a comfy place to sit because I knew we were gonna have a good long talk and that I was gonna enjoy it very much (how can one person be so gracious, opinionated and funny all in the space of a sentence??) . I will miss the calls and I know those closest to her will miss much, much more.*

Randy Smith - November 19, 2017 at 09:39 PM

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“ *My sister Faye and I were talking about Aunt Shirley the other day. She never looked down on us for being poor. She just loved us and was always so full of joy. I can't imagine the reunions she is having. I love you all*

Sandra Hathcoat - November 17, 2017 at 07:58 PM

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Sandra ~ your words are precious to me. We loved the "Going Home" reunion at your Mom's house and it was wonderful for all of us to be together. Kathy and I often talk about how when we were growing up, we held our head high because Mother gave us great confidence and grounded us in things that money can't buy ~ faith, hope and love. And I know your parents and ours were so honorable that we want to make them proud. I love you all.

Karen King - November 19, 2017 at 05:28 PM

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Benny, Bonnie, Kathy, and Karen,

In remembering your mother, I think about the wonderful smells of fresh cooked goodies that were often in the air when I came over. She always seemed to be in a good mood, and there was a welcoming spirit there, even for the kid from down the street. I almost felt like part of the family.

Her good humor shows in the photos you have put on the website. I'm glad you put them up, so I had a chance to guess at who is who(m?). I'm sorry I'm not able to be there. I would love to see and visit with each of you.

I look forward to seeing her, J.W., and J.D. when I get to Heaven.

*Love from your friend and neighbor,
David Donnell*

David Donnell - November 22, 2017 at 04:29 PM