



Thelma Ruth Smith

January 7, 1931 - January 6, 2020

The Celebration of Life for Thelma Ruth Smith 88, will be 11:00 am, Friday, January 10, 2020, at New Hope United Methodist Church, with Rev Emily Robnett and Rev Asia Frye officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson Burriss Funeral Home. Burial will be at a later date in Elmwood Cemetery, at Woodward, Oklahoma.

She was born January 7, 1931 on a farm near Sharon, Oklahoma and died Monday, January 6, 2020.

She graduated Sharon High School in 1948. She was employed as a telephone operator for Southwestern Bell in until 1952. On June 14, 1952 she married in Harry L. Smith in Woodward, Oklahoma. They made their home in Wichita and El Dorado, Kansas until 1974 when they moved to Enid, Oklahoma. They were owner/operators of Sonic Drive Ins for 40 years. As they retired, they enjoyed their winters golfing at Citrus Valley in Edinburg, Texas. While there, she taught over 100 friends how to cro hook, a type of crochet. She was an active member of New Hope Methodist Church where she started a group, the Lunch Buddies.

Surviving are her son and his wife, Terry and JoLynn Smith, and her daughter Carla Watkins; five grandchildren, Jay Smith, Tim Smith, Chad Watkins, Kari Watkins Bundy and husband Adam Bundy, and Jill Smith Tietz and husband Johnathan Tietz. Five great grandchildren, Shelby Smith, Alyssa Smith, and Gwendolen, Caroline and Vaughn Bundy, and one great, great grandson, Xander Smith. Also surviving are two brothers and their wives, Jack and Lovella McDonald, and Dick and Margaret McDonald, and two sister-in-laws, Joyce McDonald and Mike McDonald. Thelma is also survived by a lot of special nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Harvey and Hazel McDonald, her husband Harry L. Smith, five brothers, Johnny and wife Maxine, Joe and wife Fairlene, Gene, Kenny, and Bill McDonald, and her only sister, Velma Lee Griffith, and one great grandson, Hunter Smith.

Memorials may be made to New Hope United Methodist Church, 614 N. Garland, Enid Oklahoma, 73703.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

New Hope United Methodist Church
614 N. Garland Rd.
Enid, OK 73703

Tribute Wall

JT

“ Dearest cherished and treasured friend and "child of God," Thelma, we have so very much enjoyed our time together during our several years in Enid and in the New Hope United Methodist Church. You have given us much love, peace, joy, understanding, encouragement, kindness, inspiration, generosity, and wonderful memories. "Those Who Touch Our Lives Stay In Our Hearts Forever!" Dear Smith Family: "May the warmth of God's love embrace you, May the compassion of those who care surround you, and May the joy you once shared brighten your days, with the assurance that LOVE LIVES FOREVER."

Jerry and Tamra Tucker - January 11, 2020 at 12:17 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thelma Ruth Smith.



January 09, 2020 at 03:16 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Thelma Ruth Smith.



January 09, 2020 at 09:25 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thelma Ruth Smith.



January 08, 2020 at 09:58 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Thelma Ruth Smith.*



January 08, 2020 at 08:40 PM

KH

“ *I have not seen this amazing lady for many many years. But we visited by phone a few times and my memories of 50 years ago have not faded. Thelma and I worked together at K-T Oil. She became one of those that guided me through a new job. She was so sweet and kind, with a tiny bit of "orneriness" scattered in! She will make Heaven a better place than it ever was! Love, Karen and Dwight Hulse*

Karen J Hulse - January 08, 2020 at 04:05 PM

TC

“ *Travis and Taylor Craig purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Thelma Ruth Smith.*



Travis and Taylor Craig - January 08, 2020 at 03:12 PM

CJ

“ *Cindy, Tim, Jessica and Saran Jones purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Thelma Ruth Smith.*



Cindy, Tim, Jessica and Saran Jones - January 08, 2020 at 03:12 PM

AR

“ *Angel Replogle lit a candle in memory of Thelma Ruth Smith*



Angel Replogle - January 08, 2020 at 11:07 AM

AR

Jay and Shelbi, I Am so sorry for your loss.. my thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. xoxo Angel

Angel Replogle - January 08, 2020 at 11:08 AM

JM

Carla, Chad, Kari and Family, Thoughts and prayers are with you! Take care!

Joy Minton - January 09, 2020 at 12:46 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Thelma Ruth Smith.*



January 08, 2020 at 10:46 AM