



Delores G. "Dee" Smith

January 8, 1952 - August 29, 2017

Delores G. "Dee" Smith, 65, of Wapakoneta, died 2:36 p.m., Tues. Aug. 29, 2017, at The James Cancer Hospital, Columbus, OH. She was born Jan. 8, 1952, in Wheelwright, KY, the daughter of Delmon & Avalon (Grindstaff) Back, who preceded her in death. On April 29, 1989, she married Dennis L. Smith, and he survives.

Other survivors include,

2 daughters, Shonda A. Dearth, Lima,
Tyann N. (Jose P.) Sanchez, New Haven, IN,
6 grandchildren, Kylan Davis, Jaedyn Davis, Tuff Sumney,
Vincent Sanchez, Lorenzo Sanchez, & Eliana Sanchez,
3 siblings, Roger (Linda) Back, Oakwood, OH,
Fred Back, Punta Gorda, FL,
Lorraine (James) Bremer, Englewood, FL,
mother-in-law, Joyce Ann Smith, Wapakoneta,
sister-in-law, Debra Poeppelman,
brothers-in-law, Joe Majors & Kenneth (Tammy) Smith,
numerous nieces & nephews.

She was preceded in death by 2 sisters, Louise Majors and Mary Murphy. Dee retired from the U.S. Postal Service, as postmaster at the New Knoxville, OH, Post Office. She also served as postmaster at the Alger and Oakwood Post Offices. She also worked as a PTF postal clerk trainer. She was a 1970

graduate of the Grover Hill High School. Dee was a member of the Harvest Baptist Church, Wapakoneta, and the Ladies Bible Study and the Small Group Bible Study at the church. She and her husband, Dennis were members of the Vette Set Society Corvette Club, Columbus, and enjoyed participating in car shows. Her other interests included camping, going on golf cart rides, and auto racing. She was an avid fan of The Ohio State University Buckeyes and the Cincinnati Bengals. Dee also enjoyed spending time with her family especially her grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m., Fri. Sept. 1, 2017, at the Harvest Baptist Church, (1301 Navajo Trail), Wapakoneta, with Pastor Gary Bragg officiating. Burial is to follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends 2-4 & 6-8 p.m., Thurs. Aug. 31, at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, 1102 Lincoln Ave., (St. Rt. 501) Wapakoneta, and 1 hr. prior to the service, Fri. at the church. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Harvest Baptist Church or The James Cancer Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Cemetery

Presar Road
Wapakoneta, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 31. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
1102 Lincoln Hwy
Wapakoneta, OH 45895
(419) 738-7676
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com/>

Visitation

AUG 31. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

SEP 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Harvest Baptist Church
1301 Navajo Trail
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Service

SEP 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Dee was always so sweet and kind when she worked at the NK Post Office. I always enjoyed chatting with her when I got the mail. Prayers to the family. Julie Schroeder* ”

Julie Schroeder - September 02, 2017 at 11:49 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Delores G. "Dee" Smith.* ”



August 31, 2017 at 11:39 PM

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“ *To the family of Dee Smith. You have my deepest sympathy. Dee was a beautiful lady. She was a very special person. She always had that smile that would comfort you. She will be truly missed. However, her spirit will live on forever. I was honored to have known Dee.* ”
Billy Anderson

Billy Anderson - August 30, 2017 at 11:14 PM



“ *From the time of 15 years old she has always been Momma Dee to me. No matter how long it had been since we saw each other she always had a smile and the best darn hugs for me.. You will be missed and never forgotten. Love you!* ”



Wendy Gerstner - August 30, 2017 at 10:21 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Delores G. "Dee" Smith.*



August 30, 2017 at 05:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Delores G. "Dee" Smith.*



August 30, 2017 at 10:15 AM



“ *Our hearts are broken. Dee was amazing. One of the most caring and kindest people I have ever known. There just are no words to express our sorrow for her family. She loved those grand babies. We pray comfort for Dennis and the entire family. Heaven gained a precious soul. Russ and Janet Palmer*



Janet Palmer - August 30, 2017 at 07:44 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Delores G. "Dee" Smith.*



August 29, 2017 at 11:38 PM