



Edwina Smith

May 20, 1940 - July 29, 2023

Edwina Bennett Smith passed away at the age of 83 on July 29, 2023, at The Lantern at Morning Point of Franklin in Franklin, TN. She was born May 20, 1940, to Marvin Bennett and Hermie Eubanks Bennett in Brownfield, MS. Edwina graduated as Valedictorian of her class from Walnut High School and received a Bachelor's Degree from Blue Mountain College. She was a Teacher and a Business Owner of National Service Station and Oil Company with her husband James Otis Smith for 36 years and was a member of the Walnut Baptist Church.

Edwina loved her community where she served as Alderwoman for the Town of Walnut. She was a devoted follower of Christ and was instrumental in establishing the North Tippah Bible Program. She served many years as a Sunday School and Vacation Bible School Teacher. She loved her church and adored her grandchildren who affectionately called her "Murner".

Edwina is survived by two sons: Alan Bennett Smith (Gina Lynn Rogers Smith) of Corinth, MS, Paul Jonathan Smith (Nathan Paul Slingluff) of Nashville, TN; one daughter: Allison Renee Smith Windham (Jerry Wayne Windham) of Ripley, MS; one sister-in-law: Judy Pennington Bennett of Dardenelle, AR; five grandchildren: Audriana Elizabeth Smith Guy (Jonathan) of Canyon Lake, TX, James Slater Rogers Smith (Abby) of Ridgeland, MS, Bennett Wayne Windham (Dr. Katie Lee) of Columbus, MS, Brad Thomas

Windham (Taylor) of Pensacola, FL, Zoe Mikalia Windham Massengill (Taylor) of Jackson, MS; great-grandchildren: Rowdy Dutton Guy, Catherine Bennett Smith, Julia Bennett "Bea" Windham; Livia Renee Windham, baby Windham (due February, 2024), Eloise Lenore Windham, Edwina Marie Massengill.

She is also survived by in-laws: Jerrie and Douglas Jackson of Chalybeate, MS; Carol and Travis Smith of Walnut, MS.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband: James Otis Smith; one brother: Dalton Norris Bennett, Dardenelle, AR; her in-laws: Marie Walker and Paul Mabry Smith; Nell Catherine and Joe Mance McMillin all of Chalybeate, MS

Pallbearers will be: Bennett Windham, Slater Smith, Brad Windham, Taylor Massengill, Jonathan Guy, Larry Joe McMillin, David McMillin, Jim Jackson, Sean Smith, Scott Smith, Seth Smith, Stan Smith, Shane Meeks.

Honorary Pallbearers are Travis Smith, Douglas Jackson, Mike Bennett.

Officiating will be Bro. Ben Parman and Bro. Stacy McKee.

Memorials can be given to: The Mind Center UMMC Office of Development, 2500 N. State Street, Jackson, TN 39216 or Walnut Baptist Church, c/o Gloria Alsup.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 1. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

McBride Funeral Home, Inc.
206 N. Commerce St
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Service

AUG 1. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Edwina Smith*

October 05, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ *Stephanie McClintock lit a candle in memory of Edwina Smith*



Stephanie McClintock - August 11, 2023 at 05:38 PM



“ *Mrs. Smith was my senior English teacher at Falkner High School. She was a wonderful teacher and a lovely lady.*

Patricia Drewery Weeldreyer - August 09, 2023 at 08:34 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edwina Smith.*



July 31, 2023 at 11:38 PM



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July 31, 2023 at 11:38 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Edwina Smith.*



July 31, 2023 at 11:17 PM



“ *Mrs. Smith was a wonderful English teacher and I really enjoyed her classes my senior year. She was a sweet lady and was very kind to me.*

Donna Lancaster Newby - July 31, 2023 at 07:51 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Edwina Smith.*



July 31, 2023 at 02:54 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Edwina Smith.



July 31, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Edwina Smith.

July 31, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edwina Smith.



July 31, 2023 at 02:05 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Edwina Smith.



July 31, 2023 at 01:39 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Edwina Smith.

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“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edwina Smith.



July 31, 2023 at 11:13 AM



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



July 31, 2023 at 08:40 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Edwina Smith.

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“ Tina Bonds lit a candle in memory of Edwina Smith



Tina Bonds - July 30, 2023 at 11:23 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Edwina Smith.



July 30, 2023 at 10:18 PM



“ Will love and miss her so glad I got to meet her that day vbs and we grew closer over the next 13 years of riding with her to church and more such a wonderful lady who will be missed dearly



Crystal Hall - July 30, 2023 at 09:40 PM



“ Sandra Wright lit a candle in memory of Edwina Smith



Sandra Wright - July 30, 2023 at 05:19 PM



“ Lois Watson sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwina Smith



Lois Watson - July 30, 2023 at 10:08 AM