



J. Delores Smith

January 1, 1936 - October 24, 2011

J. Delores Smith left this world Oct. 20, 2011 to join our heavenly Father. She was born Dec. 25, 1936 to William & Wilda Cain Waetzig in Carbondale KS. She lived her life there until she met and married Jim Smith, her life partner, May 22, 1954. She spent the rest of her life in Topeka raising children and being a homemaker until Jan. 1, 1964 joining her husband in the 2nd generation running of College Hill Plumbing and Heating. They retired in Feb. 1, 2000 passing it on to the 3rd generation. She was preceded in death by her siblings, Phillip, Billie, Scott & Jack Waetzig, and her son-in-law, John Scharrer. She is survived by her husband Jim, Topeka; children, Kevin Smith, Topeka, Keith (Brenda) Smith, Topeka; Kim Scharrer, Berryton; and Kendi (Bill) Knox, Topeka; grandchildren, Matthew & Phillip; Nathan (Sheralyn) & Travis (Kielyn); Christopher (Mary), Dylan & Mindy and Ryan; step-grandsons, Dane, Bill & Shawn; eight great-grandchildren; sisters, Patty Brubaker, MO & Marjean Parker, KS; numerous nieces and nephews. Delores will lie in state Mon from 5-7 p.m. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd, Topeka KS 66614. Funeral Service will be at 11 a.m. Tues at Walnut View Christian Church, 3634 SE 37th St. Burial will be at WestLawn Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be made to Walnut View Christian Church sent in care of the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ *J. Delores Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Kendi and family, Our sincere condolences for your loss. You are all going through a rough time so keep the wonderful positive memories of your Mother in your heart to comfort you and keep her close! A big hug for each of you! Randy and Cheri*

Cheri and Randy Gregg - October 25, 2011 at 10:23 AM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Delores' passing. We had many good times at "Flipsides" and square dancing. She was truly one of a kind.*

Dorothy Booher - October 24, 2011 at 09:03 PM



“ *Kendi, Bill and Ryan,
I was so sorry to hear your Mom lost her battle but God has her taking her final journey home to be with him and all of the loved ones she has lost. She will always remain in your heart with memories that will never go away. You are in my thoughts and prayers at this sad time. If you need anything please don't hesitate.
Barb C.*

Barb Curyea - October 24, 2011 at 06:02 PM

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“ I extend my deep sympathy to you at this very sad time of Delores' death. She was a wonderful friend & so much fun to be around . She will be deeply missed & never forgotten .

Love & Prayers,
Charlotte Kling
St Marys KS

Charlotte Kling - October 23, 2011 at 10:13 PM

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“ Dear Jim and family. We know you will miss Delores. We have many great memories of time spent in square dancing activities and traveling and sailing with you. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you adjust to not having Delores here in person. Sincerely,
Gerald and Wini

Gerald Wykert & Wini - October 23, 2011 at 09:43 PM

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“ Our sincere condolences at this time of great loss. We take comfort in knowing that Delores is now with the Lord, Who along with the angels, is rejoicing in her homecoming. We will keep you all in our prayers. Rod and Lori King and Amanda Rowe

Rod and Lori King and Amanda Rowe - October 23, 2011 at 11:30 AM