



Dorothy "Jean" Smith

December 5, 1931 - August 6, 2011

Mrs. Smith worked in nursing for many years in Kansas and operated a day-care out of her home for over 19 years. Over this time, she cared for over 350 children. After closing the day-care, she worked as a greeter at the Bluffton Walmart for five years. She was a member of the Sonlight Wesleyan Church where she sang in the choir. Survivors include three daughters, Dale Lee of Bluffton, Dee (Tom) Zortz of Frontenac, Kan. and Teresa (Terry) Farnsworth of Naples, Fla.; four sons, Steven (Angela) Smith of Baxter Springs, Kan., Ronald (Mary) Smith of Springfield, Mo., Chris (Teresa) Smith of Pittsburg, Kan., Eric (Mike Pemberton) Smith of Oklahoma City, Okla., a brother, Leroy "Sonny" (Mary) Hawn of Wassilla, Ala.; 15 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, David Holbert; six sisters, Bonnie Hawn, Eleanor Marie Eakes, Ester Hawn, Bertha Elizabeth Corle, Edna Bernice Fox, and Maxine Lucille Collins; and a brother, Edward Hawn, Jr. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Sonlight Wesleyan Church with Pastor Tom Bradley officiating. Calling hours are Wednesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home and for one hour prior to the services Thursday at the church. Burial will be in Oak Lawn Cemetery in Ossian. Preferred memorials are to the family. Online condolences may be made at www.thomarich.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
(260) 824-3850
info@thomarich.com

Visitation

AUG 11. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Sonlight Wesleyan Church
2350 S State Road 1
Bluffton, IN

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorothy "Jean" Smith*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - August 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dorothy "Jean" Smith*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Loved this lady. She was very special to me. She was a wonderful christian women. Dale you were blessed to have her as your mother.##imported-begin##Pastor Larry Lane##imported-end##*

August 17, 2011 at 10:05 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Jean took such great care of my girls. We loved going there.*

Bobbi##imported-begin##Bobbi Bullock##imported-end##

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“ *“Love is stronger than death even though it can't stop death from happening, but no matter how hard death tries it can't separate people from love. It can't take away the memories either. In the end, life is stronger than death.”*###imported-begin###Kathryn Smith###imported-end###

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“ *We have great memories of going to your and grandpas house . Our prayers are with all the family. We will treasure your memory and everything you did.*###imported-begin###Alison, Matt Kalert and family###imported-end###

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family during this hard time. Dorothy will be missed and remembered for all she did, especially for taking care of and loving our father Levi.*###imported-begin###Steve and Angie Smith###imported-end###

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