



Ida M. Smith

August 28, 1958 - August 5, 2019

Conway...

Ida Margaret Smith, age 60, passed away Monday, August 5, 2019 at her home after an extended illness.

Born August 28, 1958 in Conway, SC, she was the daughter of the late Marion E. Smith Sr. and Frances Bazaar Smith.

Ms. Smith was a retired professional counselor from the Fairbanks Alaska School District. She graduated from Conway High School. She attended Coastal Carolina University where she obtained her Bachelors Degree and furthered her education at the University of South Carolina where she obtained her Masters Degree. She cared greatly for her extended friends from all over the country that she made while living in Alaska. She loved animals, especially her seven cats. She was a twenty year financial supporter of the Presbyterian Church Mission in Haiti.

Along with her parents, Ms. Smith is predeceased by her brother, Charles Smith and her sister, Elizabeth (Betty K.) Smith.

Surviving are her brothers, Marion E. Smith Jr. (Lois) and Richard F. Smith (Beth); sisters, Priscilla Smith Thompson and Martha E. Sims (Joe); many nieces and nephews, and her lifelong friend and sister in Christ, Cynthia K. Terres.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Lisa Mount, Dr. James Sanders, Dr. George Sandoz and their concerned staff for their professional care over many years to Ms. Smith.

A Memorial service will be held at 6:00 PM Thursday, August 15 , 2019 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel with Dr. Christopher D. Carlisle officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Waccamaw Animal Rescue Mission (WARM), 3110 Barnfield Road, Conway, SC 29526 or White Plains Presbyterian Church, Haiti Mission Fund, 6155 White Plains Church Road, Council, NC 28434.

Please sign the online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com
Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 15. 6:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel
606-610 Beaty Street
Conway, SC 29526

Tribute Wall

RS

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Rick Smith - August 15, 2019 at 10:55 AM

RS

“ I don't even know where to start. Ida and I had a special relationship since I was born. I always felt like out of everyone in the family she was the only person who understood me and was weird like me. Some of the earliest memories I have are going to spend weekends with her and I always told her she was my favorite aunt. I was devastated when she and Cynthia moved away to Alaska and elated when they moved back to North Myrtle Beach. As I became an adult, she was no longer "my cool aunt" but, she became my close friend and confidant. I always knew no matter what I was going through that I could call her and she would understand and she never made me feel ashamed or uncomfortable but instead she made feel loved and shared her own experiences with me. I will always cherish our conversations. When I got married, my wife insisted on staying with Ida and Cynthia until her family arrived because she felt an instant connection with both of them the first time they met and being from Austin (where the city motto is Keep Austin Weird) Ida and Cynthia made Robin feel right at home. Ida hadn't been feeling well in the weeks leading up to our wedding but it was important to her to be there and I will never forget when I saw her walk into the church that it made me tear up because that was the most beautiful she had ever looked. She was glowing as she walked down the aisle. I never felt so proud in my life. Recently, we were trying to make plans for her and Cynthia to come visit us in Austin and all the fun things we were going to do when they were here. I was soo excited to show her my new home and just hang out because with Ida you always knew she would say exactly the right (and inappropriate things) that made me laugh. Ida was also the best gift giver ever. She ALWAYS thought about you whenever she saw whatever gadget and you never knew what to expect and they were always the most interesting things that you never even knew you needed. One thing is for sure is that is if the zombie apocalypse were to come I had enough survival gear from Ida alone that I would have been ok. The last gift she gave Robin she said was an identify theft proof wallet and when we opened it, it was a survivalist knife. (That's one way to keep those identity thieves away) We had a lot of fun over the years and we had many serious talks as well. The most

recent was I promised her that if Cynthia was ever to pass before her that she could live with us and I would take care of her and she would never be abandoned. I expected that to be at least 30 years from now. Although it is painful to write this, it is not nearly as painful as what Ida was going through with all of her health issues. I am glad to know that she had a strong relationship with the Lord and is no longer in pain. I just wish I could have one more of those world class hugs that she would give. Ida, we love you and miss you and I can't wait to tell little Richard all about his great aunt.

Rick Smith - August 15, 2019 at 08:14 AM

RS

“ *Richard F Smith purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Ida M. Smith.*



Richard F Smith - August 15, 2019 at 07:29 AM

AS

“ I knew family get-togethers were always going to be exciting events, when Ida was involved. She added so much spunk and flavor to any situation. Her input was at times controversial and borderline inappropriate, but always good spirited and hilarious (at least to me). You never knew what she might say or do, and I loved that element about her. She kept everything lively and spontaneous. One thing as a child I always admired was her living in Alaska. I thought it was so cool for her to live in such a crazy, remote place on this planet. I knew what adventurous spirit she had to have to make that move, and that truly inspired me. She still inspires me now, even after her passing. She reminds me to keep it light in life, have a good time, and live your true self out loud. Ida lived a life of true exuberance, and she will be missed, but the beautiful memories she created and the spirit she left with us will live on! Her laugh still rings in my ears and warms my heart!

Andrew Smith - August 14, 2019 at 01:32 PM

AS

“ Andrew Smith purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ida M. Smith.



Andrew Smith - August 14, 2019 at 01:20 PM



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



August 14, 2019 at 12:31 PM

LL

“*Ida was my “ little sis”. Ida has a special ability to get to the nitty gritty of what you were talking about. She was a tender soul who was no stranger to pain and suffering. She was funny and intuitive. My parents met Cynthia and Ida at church in Myrtle Beach. The friendship grew and continued through the years. Cynthia and ida’s supprt and love for my family is something I thank God for.*

Lynn and Bill Lockard.

lynn lockard - August 13, 2019 at 06:28 PM

CC

“*I thank God for Ida and her love for people and her forgiveness towards those who needed it most. Ida, Cynthia and I prayed together on almost every occasion when we were together.*

Our Haiti team also thanks Ida and Cynthia for their ongoing support and especially for the means to building a mountain Christian school classroom that, despite the earthquake, still stands in Marigot Haiti.

Ida now sees God's Presence and is certainly "walking and leaping and praising God" in Heaven, experiencing the wonders of forever more.

Chris Carlisle - August 12, 2019 at 09:41 AM



“*Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ida M. Smith.*



August 10, 2019 at 01:21 PM



Katharine Geris

“ *This is one of the pictures Abigail keeps on her dresser. Ida and Abigail had a special relationship. But we will all miss her.*



Katharine Geris - August 10, 2019 at 12:59 PM

MC

“ *Memories come flooding back to me from years ago when Ida was the Counselor at Joy Elementary School in Fairbanks, AK. Ms. Ida was in her element working with students. Of course, Mr. C. was such fun to have in the school. I think we even dedicated a yearbook to Mr. C. The trips to Hilltop were great! I miss you dear friend.*

Mary Clancy

Mary Clancy - August 10, 2019 at 01:51 AM

JL

“ *Ida had an infectious smile and laugh which always lifted our spirits as we worked together as elementary school counselors in Fairbanks, Alaska in the 80's and 90's. Her enthusiasm for her position, for the children she supported and for life was tremendous, and had a positive effect on everyone whom she encountered. She will be dearly missed by many, many people. -John Lyle Volcano, Hawai'i*

John Lyle - August 09, 2019 at 05:56 PM

SR

“ Sorry to hear of Ida's passing. She and my daughter, Jane, were in Girl Scouts together. Ida was always such a lively and happy person. My prayers and thoughts are with you and may the Peace of God be with each of you.

Sylvia Richardson

Sylvia Richardson - August 09, 2019 at 09:45 AM

SR

“ Sylvia Richardson lit a candle in memory of Ida M. Smith



Sylvia Richardson - August 09, 2019 at 09:45 AM

PC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Philip Cox - August 07, 2019 at 11:40 PM

PC

“ *Ida was the sister I got to choose. The miles between us are now meaningless, I will keep an eye out for her always, I know she will be checking in on me.*

Much love to my "Wild Child" and to her family.

Philip Cox

Philip Cox - August 07, 2019 at 11:19 PM

BC

“ *Betty Canada lit a candle in memory of Ida M. Smith*



Betty Canada - August 07, 2019 at 12:59 PM



“ *Dear Loved Ones,
I was a friend of Ida's when we were in high school. I am so sorry to hear of her passing. Sending prayers.
Donna Squires*

Donna Squires - August 06, 2019 at 01:08 PM

MK

“ *Cynthia, so sorry to hear of Ida's passing. From Mona King, North Conway Baptist)*

Mona King - August 06, 2019 at 10:56 AM