

In Loving Memory of Marcella Thressa Smith

October 22, 1928 ~ February 13, 2026

SERVICE

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Emmetsburg, Iowa

11:00 AM Saturday, March 7, 2026

CLERGY

Rev. Keith Christiansen

MUSIC

Bev Schneider ~ Organist

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

"In The Garden" ~ "Abide With Me"

CASKET BEARERS

Robert Mann ~ Jarett Dobbins

Carrie Dobbins ~ Manny Sotelo

Scott Chambers ~ Dallas Naig ~ John Bredehoeft

INTERMENT

Evergreen Cemetery

Emmetsburg, Iowa

Marcella Thressa Smith, the daughter of Elmer and Vera (Lawrence) Naig, was born on October 22, 1928, in Cylinder, Iowa. On August 28, 1947, she was united in marriage to Wayne Smith at St. John's Lutheran Church in Depew. Marcella worked alongside her husband on the family farm. After retiring from the farm, they moved into town in Emmetsburg.

Marcella then worked at Lakeside helping residents in the dining hall. She also worked at Subway as a sandwich artist for 20 years, retiring at age 86.

Marcella was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Emmetsburg, LWML, the quilting ladies of LWML, and TOPS. She enjoyed baking and taught nieces and nephews how to make kringla; she enjoyed puzzles and had a collection of over 200 pigs in her "pig room".

Left to cherish Marcella's memory are her children, Nancella (Craig) Dobbins of West Lafayette, IN and Lonnie (Rhonda) Smith of Hubbard; grandchildren, Jarett (Lesley) Dobbins, Carrie (Steve Kitts) Dobbins, Monica (Scott) Chambers, and Lacey (Manny) Sotelo; great grandchildren, Jack and Anne Dobbins, Miles and Morgan Kitts, and Gracey and Robert Mann; step great grandchildren, Gatlin and Aniston Chambers; sister, Grace Ann Fanning of IL; and a sister-in-law, Marilyn Naig of Emmetsburg.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne; parents, Elmer and Vera; son, Ricky Smith; siblings, Josephine (Arno) Juhl, Marie (Ken) Evenson, Charley (June), LeRoy (Alice), Robert (Marilyn), Richard, and Gaylord (Janice); and brother-in-law, Rev. Allen Fanning.

Memorials may be made in Marcella's name and directed to Hospice of Palo Alto County.

The family would like to thank you for your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy and invite you to a time of fellowship and luncheon at the church following the service at the cemetery.

In Loving Memory

*God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.*

*Therefore we will not fear, though the
earth be moved, and though the
mountains be carried into
the midst of the sea;*

*Though the waters thereof roar and be
troubled, though the mountains shake
with the swelling thereof.*

*There is a river, the streams whereof
shall make glad the city of God, the holy
place of the tabernacles of the most High.*

*God is in the midst of her; she shall not
be moved: God shall come to
her aid at early dawn.*

Psalm 46:1-5

Arrangements by Martin-Mattice Funeral Home
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