

And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him the believers who have died.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

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In Memory Of

Mary Dempsey Smith

October 7, 1938
January 25, 2025

Mary Dempsey Smith, age 86, resident of Somerville, Tennessee departed this life Saturday afternoon January 25, 2025.

Mary was born October 7, 1938, in Shelby County Tennessee. She was the daughter of John L. and Mary Katherine Dempsey. She graduated from Bartlett High School in 1956 and spent her first year after high school in Washington, D.C. training to be a flight attendant. She married Roy H. Morrisett on March 10, 1958. After his passing, she met and married Carl J. Smith on December 26, 1979. Her working years were spent at the Fayette Falcon as a typesetter, Myers Flower Shop, the Circuit Court Clerk in Fayette County and then finally at the Fayette County Board of Education, retiring in 2013. She enjoyed traveling with Carl throughout the United States, trying new recipes for all her family and friends, and mostly, spending time surrounded by her extended family.

Mrs. Smith is survived by her daughter, Melodie Morrisett Voyles of Somerville; two sons, Ray Smith (Marie) of Franklin, TN and Robert "Bubba" Smith (Kathy) of Byhalia, MS; two brothers, Charles Dempsey (Sandra) of Garfield, GA and Raymond Dempsey of Jacksonville, SC; two bonus daughters, Sarah Fowler (Dan) of Knoxville, TN and Becky Nelson (Jay) of Salem, AR; thirteen grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren and finally, her cat Suzie. She also leaves her special friends, Mary Parks, Kathy Davis, Barbara Parks, Harold and Donna Feathers, Johnny and Lisa Davenport and Evelyn S. Parker.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Roy Huey Morrisett in 1975 and Carl J. Smith in 2021; her siblings, James Robert Dempsey, Caroline Bryant Meek, and Jack Dempsey; her nephew, Carl A. (Drew) Haid, Jr.; and niece, Renee Dempsey.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Warren Community Church, 11800 U.S. Highway 64, Somerville, TN 38068.

Condolences may be left on our online guestbook at
www.PeeblesFuneralHome.com.

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Date Of Birth

October 7, 1938

Date of Death

January 25, 2025

Celebration of Life Service

2 P.M. Wednesday ~ January 29, 2025

Peebles West Funeral Chapel

Oakland, Tennessee

Officiating Minister

Dr. Ken Culver

Warren Community Church

Somerville, Tennessee

Remarks Given by

Mrs. Smith's Daughter, Melodie Morrisett Voyles

Final Resting Place

Somerville City Cemetery

Somerville, Tennessee

Pallbearers

Scott Easley, Ben Dennie, Cooper Dennie,
Bert White, Tyler Smith and Philip Casey

Honorary Pallbearers

Jimmy Smith, Willie Jeff Wiles,
Johnny Davenport, Jeffrey Voyles and Harold Feathers