



Kathryn Nadine Smith

September 26, 1915 - December 23, 2017

Kathryn Nadine Smith, 102, of Tallula, passed away on December 23, 2017, at Sunny Acres Nursing Home. Kathryn was born on September 26, 1915 in Tallula; the daughter of the late George and Helena (Madison) Klein. Kathryn married William T. Smith on July 26, 1935 in St. Louis, MO; he preceded her in death in 1977. Kathryn worked for the State of Illinois for many years until she retired. She was a member of Tallula Christian Church, Menard Homemakers Extension, AFSCME, New Salem Quilters, 4-H, Boy Scouts of America, and Daughters of America.

Kathryn is survived by her sons William G. (Lorraine) Smith of Petersburg, George Michael (Jody) Smith of Franklin, TN, eight grandchildren, Vicky Fowler, Billie Hamilton, Troy Smith, Barbie Miller, Yavonne Bates, David Wesselman, Tami Wesselman, and Nathan Smith, 18 great grandchildren, 5 great-great grandchildren, as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Kathryn was also preceded in death by a daughter Barbara Kolflat, and siblings; Loran Klein, George Ruh Klein, and Iris Bernadine Klein.

A funeral service officiated by Pastor Dave Poeschel will be held on Friday, December 29, 2017 at 11 am at Hurley Funeral Home Petersburg. The family will receive guests beginning at 10 am until the time of the service. Burial will follow at Greenwood Cemetery in Tallula.

Those who wish may leave memorials in Kathryn's name to the Tallula Christian Church.

Please visit Kathryn's online obituary at www.hurleyfh.com

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery - Tallula

Tallula, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Petersburg
122 West Douglas Avenue
Petersburg, IL 62675
(217) 632-2500
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral

DEC 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kathryn Nadine Smith*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *My condolences to your family. I was married to your cousin Don Robinson and I can remember when I first met his family it was Marguerite, Thelma, Lois and Kathryn sharing a meal at the Blackhawk in Jacksonville. Hazel described them recently as The Golden Girls and I think that fits them to a T. I remember thinking later how much fun and laughter was shared that day and I was so glad to become part of that family. Kathryn was a very sweet, gentle spirit. Hugs to you all.*

Sarah Robinson - December 29, 2017 at 09:54 AM



“ *Mike, so sorry to learn of your mother's passing. If your ever in Scottsdale, AZ please stop by.*

*Warmest regards,
John & Lisa Boeker*

John Boeker - December 29, 2017 at 08:22 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kathryn Nadine Smith.*



December 28, 2017 at 12:31 PM

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“ I had the pleasure of being a part of this lady's family for a time. As Troy so well put, she was indeed quite a lady - full of smiles & laughs, she touched the lives of so many with her sunshine personality. Kathryn was socially involved with many community organizations & was always ready to take on a project, be of help to an individual or a group, ready to make life just a bit easier to those who might need a ray of sunshine or a helping hand, bring about church events - she was an active lady & fully enjoyed life. She loved her family & was always so proud to claim them; yes, even Troy. 102 years she celebrated here on earth - God needed her to share her caring, loving ways. Now He has brought her home to rest. Rest in peace, Kathryn - you will be missed. My sincerest condolences to her loved ones.

June (Minor/Smith) Simmons

June Simmons - December 28, 2017 at 12:18 PM

Troy
Smith

“ I give tribute to a wonderful soul. Grams you lived a life to be envied by all. You always carried yourself with dignity and class and never waived on your moral character. You taught us all so much just by being you. By watching you I learned patience, kindness, dignity and respect. These are not things you purposefully taught me, it's just the life you lived and the character I observed and I will be forever grateful. I have so many wonderful memories from your time with us and I will share a few. Everyone in the three county area knows that back in her day my grandmother was called upon by anyone getting married or having a special event to bake and decorate the cakes. Well there was a few years that we lived with grandma after grandpa's passing and during that time I might have made decorating those cakes just a bit more difficult for I was that mischievous grandson that would slide through the kitchen and run a finger through the icing to get a taste and she would have to fix what I messed up. With that said, she would never raise her voice and only point out the extra work I created (that's the patience I spoke of earlier). I remember one family thanksgiving that grams wanted to try a new recipe, double crusted lemon pie an guess who Uncle Mike and Aunt Jodi talked into being the guinea pig for that one (I still owe you guys for that) but she could laugh about it as much as we did. Then there was the wind chime Christmas, family you know about that one (that memory always brings a smile to me). these are only a few of my memories with this great lady that I had the pleasure to spend almost 51 yrs with her as my grandmother. So I will close with this, as I have said before, I will morn your death but I will celebrate your life even more for what a life you had. In your 102 years you have touched so many people and have been witness to so much history. I stand in awe of you as a loving wife, caring mother, wonderful grandmother and over all a great person. Although there will be a little darkness over our family as we morn the lose we have suffered, there will be an even brighter light that shines because you are a part of all of us and in some way have made us all better people. You will be greatly missed Grams so I ask that as you look down on us from your final resting place you smile, for you have touched so many with your

*kindness and love and we will always be thankful.
Your Grandson Troy*

Troy Smith - December 28, 2017 at 10:18 AM

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“ *I remember my dad, Merle Madison, talking of Kathryn. I was only a small child but also remember her coming to our house with Aunts Thelma, Lois, Claudine and Margaret. She was a quiet lady and spoke softly to me and was very nice. I could never keep track of who's sister or brother was who's but I see she was Ruh's sister. I met them also as a child. My sympathy to her family during this time. It brings back good memories of days gone by... Anita Madison Terry*

Anita Madison Terry - December 27, 2017 at 06:04 AM



“ *Kathryn was a very sweet lady that I met 60 years ago when I moved to Tallula. She and my mother were good friends. Kathryn made my wedding cake in 1965 and inspired me to learn to decorate cakes in the 1980's and 90's. I always enjoyed her company.*

Linda McCombs - December 27, 2017 at 03:08 AM

 Debbie Skelton

“ *Prayers at this time to you Bill and your family! What a precious long life she lived. Dick & Debbie Skelton*

Debbie Skelton - December 26, 2017 at 05:03 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kathryn Nadine Smith.*



December 26, 2017 at 02:29 PM