



Mrs. Joann Martha Smith

August 23, 1931 - October 8, 2024

Joann Martha Smith, 93, joined the saints triumphant October 8, 2024. Joann was born on August 23, 1931 in Fort Wayne, Indiana, the only child of Joseph and Martha Zickgraf. Her son and daughter-in-law were at her side when she peacefully passed away.

In July 1953, she married William J. Smith in Fort Wayne. Together they raised three children: Bill, JoAnne and Sara. Always included in her family was at least one dachshund. Joann was an avid reader who would read the last chapter of a book first to see if it was worth reading.

In 1984 she moved to Bowling Green, Kentucky when William had a job transfer. Joann joined several book clubs and enjoyed tending her many rose bushes. When William retired, they hit the road visiting civil war battlefields, old houses, museums and their grandchildren. After William went to heaven in April 2020, Joann stayed in Bowling Green for a few years and then moved to Seneca, South Carolina.

Joann was a lifelong Lutheran. She was baptized, confirmed and married at Zion Lutheran, Fort Wayne. She taught three-year olds Sunday school for many years at Bethlehem Lutheran, Fort Wayne. In Bowling Green, they were members of Holy Trinity Lutheran. Joann joined Eternal Shepherd Lutheran

Church when she moved to Seneca.

Joann is survived by her son: Bill Smith (Joanne) of Seneca; daughters: JoAnne Eteve (Yves) of Castle Pines, Colorado and Sara Smith of Fort Wayne, Indiana; four grandsons: William (Morgan) Smith, Timothy (Anna) Smith, Paul (Samantha) Eteve, and Marc (Christina) Eteve; and four great-grandchildren: Lily, Everett, Calvin, and Grace.

Her family would like to thank the special people at The Residences at Park Place, Lila Doyle Post-Acute, and Prisma Health Hospice of the Foothills who loved and took great care of their mom.

The family will gather for a private service next week.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a gift to the Comfort Dog Ministry at Eternal Shepherd Lutheran Church, 220 Carson Road, Seneca, South Carolina 29678.

Tribute Wall

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“ Wayne F. Barton lit a candle in memory of Joann Smith



Wayne F. Barton - October 15, 2024 at 12:08 PM

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“ My name is Alyssa I am a CNA that used to take care of Mrs. Smith when I worked at Lila Doyle and even after I stopped working there I enjoyed visiting her. I always loved her spirit she was so sweet. She will be missed but I am glad I had the chance to meet her. My condolences are with the family.

alyssa crooks - October 12, 2024 at 10:07 AM