



Iva Dell Smith

July 17, 1934 - September 7, 2020

Iva Dell Smith, formerly of Terrell, passed away peacefully on September 7, 2020 in Tyler. Iva was born July 17, 1934 in Hillsboro, Texas to James Sanford and Eva Blanch Sheppard, both of whom were there to greet her in Heaven along with her beloved husband, Eugene Smith, daughter, Teresa Dell Armstrong, son, Greg Smith, and siblings: Rev. Jimmy Sheppard, Letha Joyce Green and Jenna Lee Boswell.

Iva Dell was a dedicated wife and mother as well as caretaker to others. Her natural instinct was to always look after others and she did so while working at Colonial Hospital. There she was inspired to receive her certifications, at the age of 50, and become a Licensed Vocational Nurse. She worked at Terrell State Hospital for many years, becoming a well known and kind face around the hospital campus, where her compassion and care for the patients and their families were well known hallmarks of the hospital. After retiring from nursing, Iva Dell was able to spend more time with her family doing the many things she loved: shopping, going to garage sales, gardening, watching her beloved Dallas Cowboys, and spending many hours with precious family and friends. Iva Dell also truly enjoyed singing and was a member, most recently, of Central Baptist Church in Tyler where she looked forward to worshipping the Lord and thanking Him for the many blessings in her life.

Iva Dell is survived by her son, Danny Smith, Sr., and wife, Cathy, of Tyler; daughter, Happy Janicek and husband, James, of Terrell; grandchildren: Danny Smith, Jr., Kevin Smith, Krista Penny, Shelbie Arredondo, Michell

Maness; great grandchildren: Tracy Smith, Jordan Smith, Josh Smith, Adrian Castaneda, Raimey Penny, Mia Castaneda, Pavin Penny, Analicia Maness, Donovan Maness, Aubrie Lopez and Daxton Penny; sister, Jackie Bullock as well as numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and a host of friends. Funeral service will be at 2:00pm, Saturday, Sept. 12, 2020 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel with a private interment at Oakland Memorial Park. The family will receive friends 6:00pm to 8:00pm, Friday, Sept. 11, at the funeral home. For those wishing, memorials may be made to the Mission Fund of Central Baptist Church at www.centraltyler.org.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **11.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel
642 N. Rockwall Ave.
Terrell, TX 75160

Funeral Service

SEP **12.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Iva Dell Smith*

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *I remember having so much fun with Iva Dell and our other mutual friends, playing Skip-Bo, other card games, shopping, performing together as the Elvisettes, etc. Also, being in church together. She was so proud of her brother, Bro. Jimmy Sheppard. She said he reminded her of their dad. She will be missed, but I know she's having a wonderful reunion with those that have gone on before her. Sincerely,
Donna Sills*

Donna Sills - September 12, 2020 at 10:21 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Iva Dell Smith.*



September 11, 2020 at 06:00 PM



“ *Danny, Cathy, Happy, and James: Sincere Condolences on the loss of your Mother And Mother-in-Law. I did not know her personally, but I have heard a lot of good things about her. Prayers and Thoughts are with all of you.*

Ronnie Smith - September 11, 2020 at 05:16 PM

JM

“ *Another angel in heaven! John and Jennifer Moore*

jennifer moore - September 11, 2020 at 02:36 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - September 11, 2020 at 02:29 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Iva Dell Smith.*



September 11, 2020 at 12:17 PM

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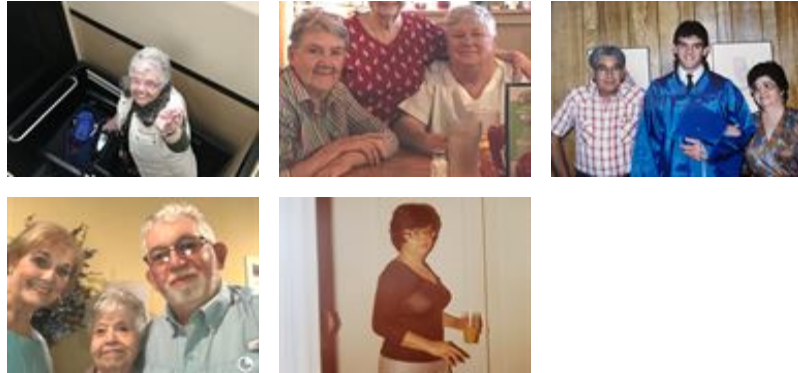
“ *Donna Tapp lit a candle in memory of Iva Dell Smith*



Donna Tapp - September 10, 2020 at 03:23 PM



“ 96 files added to the album Life Tributes



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - September 10, 2020 at 02:25 PM



“ Love, The Osborn family & The Inglis family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Iva Dell Smith.



Love, The Osborn family & The Inglis family - September 10, 2020 at 09:14 AM



“ The family is in my thoughts and prayers.



Julie Young - September 10, 2020 at 09:00 AM

MD

“ *Mary Darst-Yarbrough purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Iva Dell Smith.*



Mary Darst-Yarbrough - September 10, 2020 at 08:43 AM

RE

“ *Retta and Eddie purchased the Heart's Companion Bouquet for the family of Iva Dell Smith.*



Retta and Eddie - September 09, 2020 at 10:27 PM

GI

“ *Ginger purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Iva Dell Smith.*



Ginger - September 09, 2020 at 10:20 PM

DB

“ *Prayers sent to the family and friends. You will missed. WE LOVE YOU. GOD SPEED.*

David Boyd - September 09, 2020 at 07:39 PM

LC

“ *Love, Central Baptist Church purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Iva Dell Smith.*



Love, Central Baptist Church - September 09, 2020 at 05:41 PM

EW

“ *Rest in Peace Iva. Sweet smile.*

Elaine Wooldridge - September 09, 2020 at 03:58 PM