



Loretta "Joan" Smith

January 1, 1925 - March 31, 2017

Loretta J. "Joan" Smith, age 92, of Irwin, passed away Friday, March 31, 2017 at her home.

Joan was born January 1, 1925 in Kankakee, the daughter of Leo and Catherine O'Connor Ferris.

She married Donald C. Smith on October 3, 1958 at St. James Catholic Church in Irwin. He preceded her in death in 1987.

She was a homemaker, a former employee of Illinois Bell Telephone Company, and Americana Nursing Home.

Joan was a graduate of St. James Grade School and Chebanse High School. She had been a volunteer for the American Red Cross. She was a parishioner and a member of the CCW at St. James Catholic Church. Joan enjoyed reading and spending time with her grandchildren and her dogs.

Surviving are one son, John & Becky Smith of Limestone; one step-son, Thomas & Elaine Smith of Naples, FL; one daughter, JoLynn & Jerry Ogrentz of Irwin; seven grandchildren, Derek Smith, Tyler Smith, Avery (Jimmy) Turner, Carter Smith, Colton Smith, Drew Ogrentz (Ellen Gilmore), and Bailey Ogrentz; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she is also preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Margarita Thiesen.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. Saturday, April 8, 2017 until the 11:00 a.m. funeral mass at St. James Catholic Church in Irwin. Fr. James Holup will celebrate the mass. Interment will follow at St. James Cemetery in Irwin.

Memorials may be made for masses.

Cemetery Details

St. James Cemetery in Irwin

Irwin, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church in Irwin
4372 Main St.
Irwin, IL 60901

Funeral Mass

APR 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church
Irwin Road
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-5443

Tribute Wall

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“ *JoLynn, Jerry & boys, and John, Becky & kids, my heart is heavy for all of you right now. She truly was such a wonderful and loving lady as well as Aunt. I really did love her and I love all of you as well!* ”



Kathy Grevenstuk - April 07, 2017 at 10:14 PM

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“ *Oh Linnie and John, your mother was such a sweetie. She always was so good to me and I loved her very much. My sympathies to you all.* ”

Bonnie Draper - April 05, 2017 at 05:34 PM

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“ *John and JoLynn,so sad to hear about your mom.I have many fond memories of her when we lived next door to you in Irwin. Also some funny stories too.My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love Jackie O'Connor* ”

jackie oconnor - April 03, 2017 at 02:05 PM