



Jo Ann Smith

December 2, 1934 - April 15, 2025

Jo Ann Smith
Sunset, South Carolina

Jo Ann Smith, 90, loving wife of the late Hovie M. Smith for 70 years entered in to her heavenly home on Tuesday, April 16th, 2025, at Manna Health Care in Pickens, SC. She formerly lived in Sunset community before becoming a resident of Manna in 2022.

Born December 2nd, 1934, in the Crowe Creek area on Pickens. Jo Ann, lovingly called "Jo" by the family, was the firstborn of five children of the late Alcie A. and Leila Cooper Ellenburg.

She was a faithful member of Antioch Baptist Church in Sunset for over 60 years, where she previously served many years as the Sunday School teacher of the Senior Mother's Class and was a member of the adult choir. She loved her church and church family. She enjoyed reading her Bible and sending cards of encouragement to others. Before her health declined, her hobbies were quilting, crocheting, gardening, and taking care of her flowers. She was employed with Singer Manufacturing in Pickens for several years.

Jo Ann's life was a testimony of faithfulness, kindness, and a loving gentle spirit. Her greatest joy in her life was spending time with her family. She was

known for her delicious homemade biscuits, pound cakes, and making her delicious peanut butter fudge. She touched the hearts of many and leaves behind a legacy that will continue to shine through generations. She will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

Jo Ann is survived by her loving children; Cathy Simmons (Norman), Nancy Keith (Ken), David Smith all of Sunset, SC. Randy Smith (Jill) of Pickens, SC. She is also survived by her five cherished grandchildren: Robyn Dodgens (Keith), Chad Keith (Audrey), Brent Simmons (Susie), Carrie Holder (Clayton), and Derek Smith (Hannah). Three step grandchildren; Jordan, C.J. and Andrea Radford; and 15 adored great-grandchildren; Abbey and Emma Dodgens, Hannah and Haley Simmons, Jackson and Carolina Keith, Jake, Luke, Evan, Joanna, Rachel, and Zeke Holder, Ever Smith, Cash Calvert, Naomi Smith. She also “adopted-in” Kari Peace (Lee) and their daughter, Sierra, as grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters: Mary Lois Holcombe, and Sandi Tinsley (Steve) both of Pickens, SC. A sister-in-law; Lee Ellenburg of Sunset, SC, a brother-in-law; Harold P. Waldrop of Greenville, SC. As well as many nieces and nephews, she dearly loved.

In addition to her husband and parents, she is predeceased by a brother, R. C. Ellenburg, a sister, Jean Waldrop, A brother-in-law, Horace Holcombe, and a sister-in-law, Velma Smith Bradley and her husband, Melvin.

A funeral service to celebrate Jo Ann’s home going will be on Saturday, April 19,2025, at 3pm, at Antioch Baptist Church, 721 Eastatoee Creek Rd., Sunset, SC 29685, conducted by the Pastor, Dr. Barry Pace. Visitation will be at the church prior to the service at 2pm. Interment will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Park, Pickens.

Flowers are accepted, and memorial donations in Jo Ann’s honor may be made to Antioch Baptist Church, P.O. Box 602, Pickens, SC 29685 or to

Traditions Health Hospice, 109 Laurens Rd., #1-A, Greenville, SC 29607. The family extends a heartfelt thank you to the dedicated caregivers of Manna Health Care and Traditions Hospice for their compassionate care and support.

Mountain View Funeral Home is serving the Smith family.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 19. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery
721 Eastotoee Creek Road
Sunset, SC 29685

Funeral Service

APR 19. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Antioch Baptist Church
721 Eastotoee Creek Road
Sunset, SC 29685

Burial

APR 19. 4:00 PM (ET)

Hillcrest Memorial Park
2410 Gentry Memorial Hwy
Pickens, SC 29671

Tribute Wall

KP

“ We are praying for you and the whole family. I am so very sorry. Our thoughts will be with you in the coming days.

karen Peace - April 19, 2025 at 03:23 PM

SC

“ Family of Joann Smith

You are in our thoughts and prayers on the homegoing of Mrs. Joann Smith. With Deepest Sympathy!

Sherry, Betty, & Robin Cantrell



Sherry Cantrell - April 19, 2025 at 02:38 PM

CG

“ Jo Ann and Hovie were always so "Special" to Bobby Joe and me. They were good to everybody. We loved them so much.

Carol G. Gravely - April 19, 2025 at 11:31 AM

SG

“ Sorry for your loss. May The Lord Comfort all of you during this sad time. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Shirley Diane Hutto Grant and Linda Hutto Aiken Galloway

Shirley Diane Hutto Grant - April 18, 2025 at 02:32 PM

Mo

“ 28 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mountain View Funerals and Cremations - April 18, 2025 at 10:03 AM

KP

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Jo Ann passing! A sweet person/ first cousin! She looks so much like Aunt Leila! We know now she's with all of her love ones who went the heaven before her! Praying for the whole family!! Love Kaye Ellenburg Powell

Kaye Powell - April 17, 2025 at 07:46 PM

LS

“ Such a sweet lady but knowing they are with Jesus makes it easier. I was thinking as a grandmother, one of the happiest days of my life are the birth dates of my children and grandchildren. I believe the birthday of my daughter in law (Carrie, and her granddaughter) was one of the happiest days of her life and the happiest date of all would have to be meeting Jesus Christ face to face and feel his arms around you so I believe April the 15th was such a beautiful day for her. Prayers for her family and praying the sweet memories will bless each day.

Lynn Smith - April 17, 2025 at 06:08 PM

BS

“ *Barry and Pam Stewart purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Jo Ann Smith.*



Barry and Pam Stewart - April 17, 2025 at 02:37 PM

SL

“ *She was like an angel sent down from heaven to show us all how we should live our lives in love and grace of God . I love you Joann you're a precious Saint. Enjoy the goodness of God.*

Sherry Lee - April 17, 2025 at 12:29 PM