



Mrs. Martha Jolena Parker Smith

October 19, 1943 - January 2, 2022

Martha Jolena Parker Smith, 78, of DeWitt, Arkansas passed away on January 2, 2022. She was born in Hot Springs, Arkansas on October 19, 1943, to George and Nellie (Saulmon) Parker.

Martha grew up in the beautiful hills and mountains near Hot Springs with 7 loving brothers and sisters and was Salutatorian of the Class of 1961 at Fountain Lake High School. After graduation, she attended Baptist nursing school in Little Rock and later married Roger Lee Smith of DeWitt in 1963. She raised three children, whom she loved dearly, and also worked as a secretary for over 20 years helping her husband with his cropdusting business. She will be greatly missed by her family and everyone who knew her.

Martha is preceded in death by her husband Roger (who passed only 2 ½ weeks before her), her parents, her brother Lucion Parker and sisters Rhonda Dunn and Norma Zell Knaper.

Survivors include her daughter Charlotte “Shaye” Smith of Murfreesboro, TN; sons Roger Allen Smith of Ruston, LA and Jon (Toshia) Smith of DeWitt, Arkansas; brother Jeff Parker of Glenwood, AR; sisters Linda Burks of Dallas, TX, Norma Lee Rowland and Georgie (Kenneth) Yates of Hot Springs; grandchildren Makenzie Smith, Addison Smith, Taylor Dillion and Tylan Dillion;

great grandson Levi Boyd.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 5 at Essex Funeral Home. Visitation will begin at 1:00 p.m. Burial will follow in DeWitt Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

DeWitt Cemetery

Monroe and W 13th St
DeWitt, AR 72042

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Essex Funeral Home
1405 South Grandview
DeWitt, AR 72042
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Prentice And J. Sue Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Jolena Parker Smith*



Prentice and J. Sue Davis - January 04, 2022 at 08:30 AM



“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Shaye Smith - January 04, 2022 at 01:24 AM



“ *Dawn of Remembrance Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Martha Jolena Parker Smith.*



January 03, 2022 at 09:15 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mrs. Martha Jolena Parker Smith.*



January 03, 2022 at 05:29 PM

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“ *Richard Smith, & David Smith purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mrs. Martha Jolena Parker Smith.*



Richard Smith, & David Smith - January 03, 2022 at 12:09 PM