



Mrs. Nancy Hord Smith

September 13, 1937 - July 24, 2020

Nancy Hord Smith, 82, of DeWitt, passed away peacefully on July 24, 2020 following a brief illness. She is survived by husband Albert Smith; children Kim Hord Seale (Spencer) of Lee's Summit, MO, Eddy Hord (Katie) of Stuttgart, and Su'Aaron Travis (Ralph) of DeWitt; grandchildren Elliott Seale (Bekah) of Wichita, KS, Zach Aliosio-Seale (Marianna) of Los Angeles, CA, Lauren, Hagan and Addison Hord of Stuttgart, Tucker Travis of Dallas, TX; and great grandson Cassian James Seale. She is also survived by many loving and caring friends.

Besides her parents, Nancy was preceded in death by husband Clyde Hord, infant daughter Lisa Hord, and bonus son Joel Smith.

Nancy was born September 13, 1937 in Springhill, Arkansas to the late Ralph Edward and Swan Garner Smith. Raised in nearby Hope, Nancy graduated from Arkansas State Teachers College (now Henderson State University). She then went on to receive her Masters in Special Education from the University of Central Arkansas. On December 27, 1959 she married Clyde Hord. After beginning their teaching careers in Marked Tree, Nancy and Clyde settled in DeWitt in 1968. Her lifelong passion was helping special needs children. Nancy's knowledge and hard work were instrumental in the founding of Patillo

Center School in DeWitt. She served as the director beginning in 1972 until her retirement in 2007.

Clyde passed away April 28, 1999. Nancy found love and happiness again and married Albert Smith on June 14, 2008.

Nancy, affectionately known as Nene to her grandchildren, could light up a room with her radiant smile and contagious laughter. Her love for her family, community and church were evident in all she did. To know Nancy was to love her. She was kind, funny, smart and classy. She had a special bond with a tight knit group of friends that spanned many decades and survived many life events. These loyal friendships were so important to her and have supported her through many joyous and difficult occasions.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the celebration of Nancy's life will be live-streamed from the First Baptist Church of DeWitt's Facebook page (search FBC DeWitt on Facebook) on Tuesday July 28th at 2:00. A private family burial will take place following the online service.

We would like to thank the Essex family for their lifelong love for Nancy, and for the caring and compassionate way they have helped us through this difficult time. The last several months have been difficult but the professionalism and empathy shown by the staff at both Baptist Health Medical Center - Stuttgart and Crestpark of DeWitt have been exceptional and we will forever be grateful that you treated our mom/wife/Nene with such love and respect.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be sent to Patillo Center School, 601 South Union, DeWitt, AR, 72042, 870-946-1606.

Cemetery Details

Cedarcrest Memorial Gardens

Hwy 1
DeWitt, AR 72042

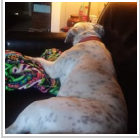
Previous Events

Service

JUL 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of DeWitt
DeWitt, AR

Tribute Wall



“ *DeAnna Ray lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nancy Hord Smith*



DeAnna Ray - September 13, 2020 at 10:04 PM

DF

“ *Kim and Eddie, I know how much she loved you. I was there on the day she brought you home. What joy for her and me!! I know you will miss her and my prayers are for God's comfort For all the family during this time.*
Dianne Faucett

Dianne Faucett - July 28, 2020 at 03:21 PM

EM

“ *She was sweet lady. She will be missed.*

Evelyn Maier - July 28, 2020 at 12:33 PM

JD

“ *Johnny Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Nancy Hord Smith*



Johnny Davis - July 28, 2020 at 11:37 AM

MH

“ Thoughts and Prayers for you Dr. Hord and your family during this time of loss.

Arkansas Academy of Family Physicians

Michelle Hegwood - July 28, 2020 at 11:18 AM

MW

Ms.nancywas one if the sweetest ladies I've known all my love fe my condolences to all the family and friends

Mary James West - July 28, 2020 at 02:11 PM

EH

“ Nancy was always smiling and she loved ALL the special kids at Pattillo, including mine!! The kids all loved her as much as she loved them!! She was a very sweet and loving special lady!! My prayers for all her family and her many many friends!! 🙏🙏

Ester Hageman - July 28, 2020 at 06:40 AM

ND

“ Nancy and Dale purchased the Tranquil Seas for the family of Mrs. Nancy Hord Smith.



Nancy and Dale - July 28, 2020 at 02:08 AM

HR

“ Ms. Nancy you were truly a positive influence in the lives of so many. I enjoyed working several years for Ms. Nancy at Patillio. She had my highest respect and love. Now I don't have to ask "how's Ms. Nancy" , I know she is resting in peace with loved ones. Eddie and Kim my prayers are with you.

Hazel Roach - July 27, 2020 at 11:55 PM

JL

“ *The last few months I got to know Ms. Nancy as a smart, cheerful, and very sweet woman. Ms. Nancy was especially proud of her son and looked forward to his visits. It wont be the same not seeing her smile.*

Jack Lock - July 27, 2020 at 11:42 PM

SC

“ *Prayers Kim and Eddie , I have such great memories of babysitting you both as a teenager . Bless all your families and Mr Albert and his family! Praying for you all* ❤️🙏

Sandra & Larry Childers - July 27, 2020 at 11:01 PM

MC

“ *Michelle Crow sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Nancy Hord Smith*



Michelle Crow - July 27, 2020 at 10:13 PM

JD

“ *Loved Ms Nancy, worked with her for two school terms at DeWitt Center School, which later became Patillo's. She was the greatest person. Loved her very much.*

johnny Sue Davis - July 27, 2020 at 10:12 PM

JK

I loved Mrs Nancy I work serval years when she at theold patillo school when her husband was living I'm going to miss her.

Jeanette Kinley - July 28, 2020 at 06:36 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy Hord Smith.*



July 27, 2020 at 08:46 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy Hord Smith.*



July 27, 2020 at 03:31 PM



“ *Nancy always had a smile on her face whenever I saw her. She was a very graceful, classy woman who will be greatly missed.*

Brenda Watson - July 27, 2020 at 03:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy Hord Smith.*



July 27, 2020 at 03:25 PM

LH

“ *Ms.Nancy was such a sweet and loving person. Never met a stranger. She will truly be missed . My prayers go out to her family .*



Laura Hall - July 27, 2020 at 03:16 PM

LM

“ *Ms Nancy was one of the sweetest person I ever had the pleasure to know. She, with her loving kindness has helped so many children. It was an honor to know and love her.*

Eddie & Kim, I'm truly sorry for your loss, praying for you and your families.

Lisa McGilton - July 27, 2020 at 11:40 AM

SC

“ *Kim and Eddy, you are both in my thoughts and prayers as well as your families. I pray that you each feel God's presence surrounding you in His loving embrace during this difficult time giving you strength, peace and comfort. My prayers will continue during the days and months ahead. Your mom was a precious lady, she will be greatly missed. Hold your memories close to your hearts, they will be there for you on the days when you miss her the most. Her love will always be with you and she will continue to live through you. May God be with you all. My deepest sympathy, Shelley Mitchell Carrigan*



Shelley Carrigan - July 27, 2020 at 09:53 AM

MR

Ms. Nancy she was the sweetest and most kind person. She always had a smile and never met a stranger. Eddie, Kim and Mr. Albert you are in my prayers God Bless You.

Marilyn Rousseau - July 27, 2020 at 10:28 PM