



Betty Ann Smith

January 10, 1958 - July 18, 2025

In Loving Memory of Betty Ann Smith

Born January 10, 1958, in Hempstead, Texas to Freddie and Cecelia (Jozwiak) Smith, Betty Ann Smith passed away peacefully on July 18, 2025, after a courageous yearlong battle with cancer.

Known lovingly to her family as “Sassy Betty,” she was a vibrant force of joy and humor, whose generosity and unwavering love touched everyone around her. Fiercely independent, she carried laughter and kindness wherever she went.

Betty adored games—board games, card games, especially long poker nights around the kitchen table filled with laughter, joking, and shared memories. She never let a party go dull, ensuring friends and family had a full plate, a drink in hand, and quarters to play.

Her devotion to family was unmatched. She treated her nieces and nephews like her own children, often hosting unforgettable sleepovers in the Black Jack community, teaching the next generation to fish, build campfires, and appreciate a good game.

Her proudest role was being a mother to Matthew Smith and grandmother to

Wayne Smith. Watching Wayne grow brought Betty immeasurable joy—his giggles, discoveries, and hugs made her world complete.

After retiring in 2023, Betty returned to the family home in Black Jack near Rockdale, where she poured herself into creating even more beautiful memories with her loved ones.

She is preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Jesse Howard Smith. She is survived by her son, Matthew Smith and Becca; grandson Wayne Smith; sister Diane Smith Skubal; nieces Robyn Watts (Randy) and Renee Garza (Conrad); nephew Chris Skubal; great nieces Reece and Rylee; great nephews Zane and Rowdy; great-great niece Jane; Aunt Blanche McKay (John); and many cherished cousins.

Though she will be deeply missed, the joy she brought and the memories she made will live on in all who loved her.

A private celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall

JF

“ *Matt. Diane and Family,
So sorry to hear about Betty. We have all had so much fun at
Cecilia's and our trip to Cantons. I'll always have these special
memories. Please know you all are in my thoughts and prayers.
Much love,
Judy Falkenbury*

Judy Falkenbury - July 22, 2025 at 07:14 PM

CB

“ *My prayers and condolences are sent to the
family of Betty, may God give you comfort and
peace at this time. I will always remember her
as the sweet, sweet person that she was 🙏🏻*



Carol Barnett - July 21, 2025 at 03:31 PM

FK

“ *I am sorry for your loss. My sympathy for Betty's loved ones.*

Frances Clark Kyle - July 21, 2025 at 03:05 PM

SB

*My Condolences to Betty's family! I remember her sweet spirit, as a
classmate!*

Sandra Brown - July 21, 2025 at 11:17 PM