




Joanne Heller Smith

November 27, 1941 - June 19, 2014


Funeral services for Joanne Smith, 72, of Giddings, Texas are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at St. Margaret's Catholic Church in Giddings with Father James Olhausen officiating. Burial will immediately follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 from 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Tuesday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. A Rosary will be recited Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Joanne Heller Smith was born on November 27, 1941 in Boise, Idaho. She was raised on a ranch in Hammett, Idaho where she was an avid horse rider and an excellent student. She graduated, with honors, from the University of Idaho. In 1970, she moved to Bryan, Texas where she was a medical technologist and laboratory manager at St. Joseph Regional Health Center. In 1989, she became reacquainted with her soul-mate, Dorwin Smith. She moved to Wasilla, Alaska where she served on the Alaska State Board of Nursing and worked for Valley Hospital in Palmer, Alaska, from which she retired. In 2008, Joanne and Dorwin built a house in Giddings, Texas. In Giddings, she was a member of the Giddings New Horizons Club and a faithful member of St. Margret's Catholic Church. Joanne loved gardening, but most of all she loved her family. Where ever Joanne lived, she was known for her hospitality. She had a smile that would light up any room and always had a kind word for everyone. Joanne passed away unexpectedly the morning of

Thursday, June 19, 2014 at her home in Giddings. She was preceded in death by her parents. Joanne is survived by her husband, Dorwin Smith of Giddings; two daughters and sons-in-law, Teri & Mike Belyeu of Giddings and Kristine & Chris Boehm of Florence, Montana; six grandchildren, Ashton Booth & her husband, Caleb of Giddings, Brittany Belyeu of Giddings, Heather Belyeu of Giddings, Regan Boehm of Florence, Montana, Kendall Boehm of Florence, Montana and Garrett Boehm of Florence, Montana and a sister and brother-in-law, Diane & Chuck Robertson of Boise, Idaho. Serving as pallbearers will be Caleb Booth, Dennis Smith, Brian Smith, Lance Smith, Steve Jatzlau, Tim Langham and Brian Fischer. Honorary pallbearers will be Garrett Boehm, Marcus Escalante and Marty Bigham. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice. In keeping with the tradition of Joanne's hospitality that she was known for, the Smith family would like to invite everyone to a reception at their home following the committal services.


Tribute Wall

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Don and Anne Gross - August 04, 2014 at 10:49 PM
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Cheryl Kajdan - July 13, 2014 at 11:35 PM
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Cindy & Terry Namken - June 21, 2014 at 11:11 PM

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