



Barbara L. Smith

November 15, 1931 - August 4, 2016

Barbara L. Smith, 84, of Syracuse, New York died Thursday, August 4, 2016 at Iroquois Nursing Home, Jamesville, New York.

Barbara was born in Syracuse but spent 11 years traveling with her predeceased ex-husband Joseph, in the Air Force. They lived in California, Texas, Newfoundland and Japan. In 1963, she moved back to Syracuse to raise her six children.

She worked as a lunch aide while going to school to earn her Master's degree from Syracuse University. She taught at McKinley-Brighton for decades until her retirement in 2000. Barbara will always be remembered for her love and devotion to her family, her passionate gardening, enthusiasm for remodeling projects and her knowledge of just about everything.

Barbara is survived by her daughters, Bernie (Rocky) Byers of Tuscarawas, Ohio and Chrissie (John) Walsh of Syracuse, New York; sons, Larry (Joanne) Smith of LaFayette, New York, Ray "Smitty" (Kelly) Smith of Clayton, New York, Ron Smith of of Wilmington, North Carolina and Kenneth (Conny) Smith of Syracuse, New York; 15 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Calling hours will be held Monday, August 8, 2016 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Tuesday, August 9, 2016,

11 a.m. at the funeral home, 4612 South Salina Street, Syracuse, New York
13205. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Syracuse, New York.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Barbara L. Smith*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - August 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Barb was one of my teachers at McKinley. I could always talk to her if I needed anything. She helped me grow into the person I am today. Rest in Peace Barb.*

August 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *My name is Carlein. I am a Bible teacher. I am sorry for your loss. A scripture that has given me much comfort is Revelation 21.4 which promises that one day death shall be no more.*

August 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *The Smith family lived next door to my family way back in the good old days... There are so many memories of our time spent together as kids... Our clothes line phone which consist of a rope and two metal cans, our rainy day on their porch playing Barbies and board games for the girls and the boys playing with their trucks and cars and we made tents out of blankets and out would come Mrs. Smith with a big bowl of popcorn and kool aid.... what a great time had by all the kids in the neighborhood... I also remember all the kids Mom's would gather together themselves and talk for hours at a time..*

Thanks Annie Shirtz for sharing your memories of Barb Smith about the bread that was so yummy and how we girls were allowed to call Bernadette Bernie and her mom it was always Bernadette forgot about that one... I bet if we got the old gang together for one nite we would be laughing so hard and bringing up stuff someone else might of forgotten... Thanks for the memories Mrs. Smith. You will be dearly missed by all that knew you..

To the kids..... Bernie and her siblings so sorry to hear about your MOM... Now U all have a very special angel watching over you.. I am glad that I got to pay my last respects to your MOM... and it was so great to see you after such a long time Bernie... Raymond I really enjoyed our talk...

Candle of Memories - August 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *Barbara L. Smith*

Arrive in Style - August 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *Dear Chrissie, I am so sorry about your mom. I hope she rest in peace, I am out of town on vac, but I wanted to at least leave a message. sorry for your loss. Ron Foraker*

Daisies - August 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I worked with Barb for many years at McKinley Brighton. She was a wonderful teacher. May she rest in peace.
Sorry for your loss.
Patti Campbell

August 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I Knew of Barbara through her daughter Bernadette (we called her Bernie...but if it was her Mom calling for her ..it was "BERNADETTE". Bern, your Mom was such a loving person...The way she cared about her family and her families friends. A Very sweet person.....and her homemade bread was phenomenal!!!!
Love you guys..sorry for your loss. Rest In Peace Barbara....

Forget Me Nots - August 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so very sorry for your loss. She was larger than life and I will always remember her never ending quest to educate the world. Whenever I encounter an insect I am reminded of how she would light up and be excited to share her knowledge. She had a mischievous side to her and her laugh was explosive! She was extremely talented and an excellent sewer, and very energetic. I will always remember her long calls when we lived so far away. She will be remembered fondly .

August 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ I am so sorry to hear of Barb's passing. I am thankful to have gotten to know her over the past year. You are in my thoughts and prayers Chrissie.

Ryann Zeiner

Arts - August 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Your mom was an amazing women and lived a remarkable life. I will never forget her talking to me about living in Newfoundland and moving to Prince Edward Island and discribing the difference between Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island as Dorothy going from Kansas to Oz. She had a real knack for telling great stories about her life. My deepest and sincere sympathies to the family. Debbie XO

August 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Barb was a terrific teacher, kind and patient with her students. Sympathy to her family; Rest in Peace, Barb.

August 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

FN

“ Barbara L. Smith

Forget Me Nots - August 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I am sorry for your loss. I taught for many years at McKinley-Brighton with Barb, and I knew her to be honest, hard-working, and dedicated.

August 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Even though it's been years since I've seen your mother, I've often thought of her when seeing a garden frog including the ones in my own garden. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Please find comfort in all the treasured memories that you were fortune enough to make.

With Sympathy,

Sandy Quinell-Carter

August 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Ken, so sorry for your loss. You were a very good son -you were kind, loving and always there for her. She was a good woman who did her best for all of her children. She will be missed.

August 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Barbara L. Smith

Touching Tribute Spray - August 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ kenny and conny we are so very sorry for your loss. kenny, your mother was a truly wonderful women we were so impressed with her she always had such a sweet twinkle in her eye when she talked with anyone. our thoughts are with you both

August 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM