



Freida Lorraine Smith

December 7, 1939 - January 23, 2010

Freida Lorraine (Ellis) Smith, 70, of Murphysboro, west to be with the good lord at 8:10 p.m. on Saturday, January 23, 2010, in the home of her daughter, surrounded by her loving family and friends.

She was born on December 7, 1939, in Jackson County, to Dewey Ellis and Ina Bell (Basden) Ellis.

She was happily united in marriage to Melvin Ardell Smith on June 12, 1955, in Cornith, Mississippi. They shared over 54 years of wonderful marriage together and were blessed with raising seven wonderful children.

Freida loved bowling and was a team member for many years throughout this time she made many friends through the league.

She worked 22 years at Cablec Cable & Wire in DuQuoin, Illinois. One of her favorite hobbies was mushroom hunting.

She is survived by her husband Melvin Smith of Murphysboro;

son and daughter in law, Danny and Jeanne Smith of Carbondale; son and daughter in law, Melvin Scott and Eva Smith of Ava; daughter and son in law, Teresa and Orville Rogers of Murphysboro; daughter and son in law Marsha

and Mike Holt of Murphysboro; daughter, Connie Smith of Murphysboro; son and daughter in law Danny Jr. and Vicki Smith of Murphysboro; son and daughter in law Mike and Colette Smith of Murphysboro;

twelve grandchildren Nathan Smith, Brittany Smith, Bethany (Smith) Townley and her husband Jeremy Townley, Jody Smith, Sarah Nadeau, Jennifer Nadeau, Michael Holt, II, Orville Wayne Rogers, William Rogers, Cory Smith, Cortney Lorraine (Smith) Bastien and her husband Patrick Bastien, and Heather Smith;

seven great grandchildren Skyler Smith, Tyler Smith, Shelby McGlaughlin, Ayla Smith, Noah Townley, Caleb Townley, and Corabell Bastien;

three brothers Robert (Bob) Ellis and his wife Joyce; Leonard Ellis and his wife Mary; Fred Ellis and his wife Doris;

one sister Viola Fox and her husband William Fox;

and other extended family and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her beloved parents Dewey and Ina Bell Ellis, two sisters Beulah Clover and Lena Fruits, and one infant brother Freeman Ellis.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, January 27, 2010, at Pettett Funeral Home in Murphysboro with Rev. Gilbert Gee officiating and she will be laid to rest in her family owned cemetery near her home. Friends may call from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Freida Lorraine Smith*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Sorry to hear about Freida she was a great women. But she's in a better place without pain & suffering now. It's really hard to loose a parent. Lean on God to get you through. At least we all have memories of our loved ones that have passed on.*

Linda (Klink)Durham - January 26, 2010 at 01:05 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the family of Aunt Freida. She was a very special person and touched many lives. She will be missed by all.*

Alan and Michelle White - January 26, 2010 at 09:58 AM



“ *Mike: You have our deepest condolences and sympathy for the passing of your mother. We will keep you and your family in our prayers.*

Jim Riddle - January 26, 2010 at 09:22 AM