



## Georgia June Smith

January 16, 1944 - May 13, 2015

Georgia June Smith, age 71, of Jonesboro, Illinois, died peacefully on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 after a brief struggle with cancer. Georgia was born on January 16, 1944, in Cobden, Illinois, the daughter of Crawford and Minnie (Prewitt) Leggans.

Georgia worked as a director for the Retired Senior Volunteers Program for many years. She was also actively involved in the Friends of the Theater, Daughters of the American Revolution, Senior Circle, and Little Egypt Red Hat Society. She cherished the time she spent with her grandchildren and lovingly raised J. C. and Alex. She enjoyed playing cards every Friday night with friends, as well as traveling and spending time with her dearest friend Lillian Milam. Georgia was an active member of Lockard Chapel.

Survivors include her daughters, Julie Smith, Crystal and Jon Housman, Tara and Dan Ruskin, and Sherri and James Agers; grandchildren, Amy Rhymer, Alex and Julian Smith, Alayna and Dalton Miller, Dawson Agers, Ryan and Ian Rich, Mackenzie and Madison Housman, Krysten Iannello, Taylor and Tyler Ruskin, and Brandon Reynolds; sister, Betty Frick, and brother, Earl Leggans; and other family and friends.

Georgia is preceded in death by her daughter, Tina Sue Smith; her parents, Crawford and Minnie Leggans; brothers, Ed Leggans, Floyd Leggans, Bill Leggans, Don Leggans, and Curt Leggans.

The funeral service will be held at 11:00 am Monday, May 18, 2015 at Crain Funeral Home in Anna. Rev. Mike Miller of New Hope Baptist Church and

Pastor Jack Richardson will be officiating. Visitation will be held on Sunday, May 17, 2015 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Crain Funeral Home in Anna. Burial will follow the funeral at Big Creek Baptist Church Cemetery.

Memorial may be made to the Friends of the Theater and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Crain Funeral Home in Anna/Jonesboro.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Georgia June Smith*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I met Georgia many years ago at a state conference for IL RSVP Directors. Her passion for all things RSVP was catching. When she talked about the programs at the "bottom" end of the state she was happy that the program made a difference. She was proud of her community and shared many stories with us. When she would speak of her family she glowed. Her smile was infectious and you could not help but want to know what she was thinking behind the twinkle in her eye. She will be missed. May the Lord bless and keep her.*

**Silvia Comfort** - May 18, 2015 at 08:45 PM



“ *Georgia and I were RSVP Directors together for many years. We loved our jobs and our seniors, but the federal government took the fun away so we retired together. We had many long chats, shared our family trials and tribulations, and shared our love of working with seniors. She was looking forward to her final years with J.C. And looked forward to traveling. She shared about her cancer but faced it with strength and determination. I will miss our long talks and her lovely smile. Rest in peace my friend. You made a positive difference in so many lives, mine included. Sending love and sympathy to all her family and friends.*  
*Sharon Hamilton*

**sharon hamilton** - May 18, 2015 at 08:26 PM

JP

“ My condolences to Georgia's family. As a fellow RSVP Director it was a pleasure working with her and sharing resources to support volunteer awareness in Illinois. I loved her stories and enjoyed her wit. Her loss will not only be felt by friends and family, she will also be greatly missed in her community.

Jennifer Phillips - May 18, 2015 at 11:27 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Georgia June Smith.



May 16, 2015 at 01:38 PM

KM

“ Sending my condolences to Georgia's family and friends. I remember her from myself working at the Admission desk at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale back in the 80's/90's and watching Georgia getting things done as she walked thru the lobby. A beautiful soul has entered the kingdom of heaven. Keep her legacy alive in your hearts, souls, and minds.  
Karen McNeely McMinn Carbondale IL



Karen McMinn - May 15, 2015 at 09:49 PM

TU

“ *The Written Units purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Georgia June Smith.*



The Written Units - May 15, 2015 at 08:55 AM

TU

“ *The Written Units purchased the Cross Wind Chi me - Bronze for the family of Georgia June Smith.*



The Written Units - May 15, 2015 at 08:46 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Georgia June Smith.*



May 15, 2015 at 07:05 AM

MS

“ My students and I had the rare opportunity in 1983 to experience an intergenerational project. My ten students were introduced to Georgia at Sunshine Inn. The next 6 weeks were magical and a lot of that magic was due to the loving person that Georgia was to both the senior citizens and my students. To this very day, some of those students will recall the good times of eating, bowling, and dancing to Jack Stalcup's Orchestra....and right there to lead the way, to make this experience happen.....was Georgia. Georgia was the real thing! She was what she was! No pretenses at all. She left her mark on many people and the community. We will remember her, not for what she said or did, but how she made us feel!

*Michael Scott*

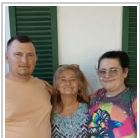
Michael Scott - May 14, 2015 at 09:53 PM

YF

“ Your BCBS Friends & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Georgia June Smith.



Your BCBS Friends & Family - May 14, 2015 at 03:21 PM



“ I love you aunt Georgia  
I will miss you.

Brenda Davis Fisher Taylor - May 14, 2015 at 03:16 PM

PA

“ I will miss her very much. She was my boss, a friend and confidant for the past 10 years. I will never forget our times spent preparing for RSVP senior recognitions each year, our many conversations and her always helping me through difficult times in my life. I will miss her so much. Love you Georgia

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**Pam** - May 14, 2015 at 12:09 PM

VH

“ Thinking of you and your family at this difficult time. My prayers are with you to find strength, peace, and comfort.  
Veronica Hendrickson

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**Veronica Hendrickson** - May 14, 2015 at 11:23 AM

FW

I will miss this lady so full of spit fire. All of us on Aunt Penny's side enjoyed every time we got together. Listening to the old stories. We are gonna miss ya cuz. Flo Wells, Paul and Karen Batson, Dean and Bernadine Vaughn, Ellen 'Sis" Robertson. Claude Vaughn..... Love you girl.

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**Flo Wells** - May 14, 2015 at 06:59 PM

BH

Special, special lady. Always welcomed me in her home.

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**Bobby Hoyle** - May 15, 2015 at 06:29 AM