



Nancy Carolyn Rodgers Smith

March 3, 1937 - August 6, 2020

Nancy Carolyn Rodgers Smith, age 83 of Dayton, passed away Thursday morning August 6, 2020 after a long battle with heart disease. Nancy was born on March 3, 1937 in GA to the late Dr. JJ Rodgers and Vivian Edwards Rodgers.

The family moved to Dayton, TN where Nancy was raised with her three brothers. She graduated from Rhea County High School and attended Vanderbilt University and graduated with BA degree in History and English. She lived in CA, NYC and Miami as a Flight Attendant with Eastern Airlines. Nancy met her future husband and raised her four children in Miami where she lived as a housewife and mother for 30+ years and was active in Silverliners and the church. In 1992, after hurricane Andrew, she returned home to Dayton where she was active in the Book Club and the Garden Club as well as singing in the choir at First United Methodist Church.

She is survived by her four children, daughter Vivian, and sons Steve, Robert and Richard Smith and their wives Theresa, Andrea and Elise. Nancy also leaves behind her brothers Robert, Jim and Thomas Rodgers and their wives Joyce, Linda and Judy. Nancy was lucky to be a grandmother to 12 grandchildren who filled her life with joy. She will be sorely missed.

Family funeral services for Nancy will be Friday, August 14, 2020 in the

funeral home chapel with Rev. Clyde Fitzgerald officiating. She will be laid to rest next to her parents in Rhea Memory Gardens.

Please share your memories and photos of Nancy on her online guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

The family is being cared for by the Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton.

Cemetery Details

Rhea Memory Gardens

Hwy 27
Dayton, TN

Previous Events

Family Funeral Service

AUG 14 (ET)

Vanderwall Funeral Home
164 Maple St
Dayton, TN 37321
(423) 775-2662

Tribute Wall



“ *I will never forget you, Nancy, you were such a special person, and I am thankful for my time with you as a childhood friend, classmate at RCHS, and a dear friend who touched my heart in a forever lasting way.*



Myra Martin - August 31, 2020 at 09:19 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy Carolyn Rodgers Smith.*



August 13, 2020 at 09:10 PM



“ *I'm very disappointed because I want to be with you tomorrow. It is hard to say goodbye to my dear friend, Nancy, but I have 80 years of memories !!*
My brothers, Bill and Jim Cole, extend their sympathy fondly also.
Carolyn Cole McCollum

Carolyn Cole McCollum - August 13, 2020 at 11:24 AM



Thanks so much. We'll miss you.

Vivian - August 13, 2020 at 09:03 PM

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“ Dear Vivian, Steve & Theresa, Rob & Andrea, Richard & Elise. We are so sorry to hear of Nancy's passing. We will always remember our visits to MD that included many nice chats with Nancy about so many different things. She will be missed by our little dog Zoey as well who would enjoy joining Nancy for whatever meal she was eating by jumping right up on her lap. And Nancy would just giggle and say, "Who's the cute puppy", and proceed to give her a little nibble. She was a lovely and caring lady. May God surround you all with His love and comfort over the coming days. Much love from Canada,
Kate & Aart Olij

Kate Olij - August 12, 2020 at 11:40 PM

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Thanks so much Kate and Art

Vivian - August 13, 2020 at 09:04 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Nancy Carolyn Rodgers Smith.



August 12, 2020 at 11:26 PM

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“ We were sorry to hear of Nancy's passing. She was our neighbor for 28 years. Prayers for your family!
The Levengers

Gail Levenger - August 12, 2020 at 07:17 AM



“ *Garden of Sweet Memories Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Nancy Carolyn Rodgers Smith.*



August 12, 2020 at 01:20 AM



“ *Norma purchased the Celestial Love for the family of Nancy Carolyn Rodgers Smith.*



Norma - August 08, 2020 at 08:27 PM