



Doris Smith

October 10, 1923 - January 12, 2017

Doris Welborn Smith, 93, of Huntsville, Arkansas died January 12, 2017 at Northwest Medical Center-Springdale. She was born October 10, 1923 at Carthage, Texas the daughter of Robert Thomas and Lucy Wagner Welborn. She was a retired teacher at the Huntsville Elementary School, after having been an elementary school teacher in Fort Worth, Texas. She was a committed Christian and involved in many ministry endeavors. She was a member of the Arkansas Retired Teachers of Madison County and the Huntsville Extension Homemakers Club. Survivors include two sons and one daughter-in-law, Robert David Smith of Huntsville, Arkansas and Richard and Becky Smith of San Antonio, Texas; one brother and sister-in-law, Robert S. and Patricia Welborn of Kerrville, Texas; and two grandsons, Joshua Smith and Steven Smith both of San Antonio, Texas. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 P.M. Saturday, January 21 at the Alabam Cemetery with Brother Bob Case officiating under the direction of Brashears Funeral Home www.brashearsfuneralhome.net at Huntsville. Pallbearers will be family. Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. Friday at the funeral home with the family present. Memorials may be made to the American Bible Society, 101 North Independence Mall East Fl 8, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106.

Tribute Wall

SL

“Doris was my brother-in-law Richard's mom, and I had the privilege of spending time with her on various occasions. She was always so uplifting, encouraging and kind. Doris showed grace and hospitality to everyone she knew. She had a wonderful friendship with my parents, and they shared a love for Mexico and the Spanish language. We once stayed at her beautiful home in Huntsville and had such a lovely time. She showed great interest in my children, and followed their birthday's sending cards and gifts. My daughter Heritage especially has fond memories of Doris. She knew how to relate to children and make them feel valued. Doris was a prayer warrior and an extremely lovely person. She taught her sons Richard and R.D. to be gentlemen and followers of Christ. She will be missed, but I rejoice that she is no longer bound by the infirmities that afflicted her earthly body. She loved the Lord and devoted her life to Him. She is in a glorious place now!

Sharon Lewis - February 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SP

“My sister, Stacy Bennett, posted my exact memories! We all went to First Baptist Church together and some of these memories are the most vivid of my childhood. I loved Doris and her sons. I have lost touch with you guys and couldn't even find an address to send a card. I also remember the fun times at your house. Doris and I would do stuff in the house while David and Stacy played by the lake and Richard would assemble or disassemble a radio or some other electronic something that I could never wrap my mind around, but that I have deep respect for! Doris and I did "lady" things and had a bit of a bond during those times. You were great family friends. It would be fun to reconnect! Love to you in your earthly loss. We will all be together again in our Father's House someday!

Samantha Bennett Polen - January 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ So sorry for your loss.. A very gracious lady..Always a lady..

Betty L Worley - January 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Doris was a very sweet cousin with a unique sense of humor. She had a joy for life and wanted to share it with you. She always remembered our birthdays and would call to sing us happy birthday over the phone (and if we weren't there, she left the song on our message recorder). David and Richard, we are sorry for your loss, and regret being unable to be there at the service. But our thoughts will be with you on that day.

Rom & Pam Welborn - January 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ What a Lady! I always loved seeing her. She was the example of kindness, love, and the epitome of etiquette. Her love of our Lord was evident in her daily walk. I can only hope to carry myself with the dignity and grace that Doris had. An example indeed! R.D., my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Heaven rejoices!

Terra Hood - January 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Doris was one of kind. She was so kind and the Love of Christ was in her smile, words and actions. His Holy Spirit lead this great lady. I loved this dear lady who always had a kind word for everyone. The Welborn and Smith families will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Lyndell McCoy - January 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Dear Family members, your mother was a very special person and will be missed by so many. May God hold in His arms and comfort you at this time. In Christian Love, Mary Batson

Mary Batson - January 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Doris Smith is without a doubt, a person who made an everlasting impression to my life. I will never, ever forget the after church experiences at The Crossbow where Doris tried her best to instill proper etiquette practices upon Richard, Samantha, David and me. She had her work cut out for with R.D. and me pushing back almost as much as Richard and Samantha practiced perfection! I never eat sherbet without thinking of Doris and my prized dessert for trying to act like a lady. As my fourth grade teacher, she taught me things outside academics, which I still reflect upon today. My love to her family. She is always in this girl's heart.

Stacy Bennett - January 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ RD, After seeing you this summer at Dimes, I wrote your mom a note to let her know how often I think of her. The example she set for her students was a powerful one. Not only did she begin each morning by reading a biblical story from "the blue books", she shined a light so brightly that made us all believe the light of Jesus was something to search for and hang onto. In July, she took the time to write a note back to me which will forever be one of my dearest treasures. My prayers will be with you all as you mourn such a precious gift God gave to many.

Kelly Hudgins Powell - January 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ I'm very sorry for your loss. Mrs. Smith was a very sweet lady. Prayers for your family.

Lynn Hooper Gibson - January 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of our "sister in Christ", Doris. She has been such a blessing to our family! We are glad we were able to see her at Christmas this year. We will miss her. We will be thinking of your family during this difficult time. Love, Tom, Jennifer and Isabel

Tom, Jennifer and Isabel MacLean - January 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ So sorry for your loss! Heaven gained another Angel! Mrs Smith was my Fourth grade teacher in Huntsville, Never will forget mainly because she still called me her little Dutch girl everytime she saw me! She was a bright and shining star in this world!

DeAnna (Watkins) McElhaney - January 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ She was a really sweet lady.

Donna Phillips - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Mrs. Smith was one of the sweetest, attentive teachers that I ever knew. I could just tell that she loved teaching kids and helping them get a good start. Robert, I am so sorry for your loss. She left behind a wonderful legacy for you to reflect on and I know she loved that you were around for her. Prayers for your comfort, Karolyn

Karolyn Malloy Parker - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ My deepest sympathies RD and family. I only saw your Mom a few times but people that knew her well thought the world of her.
Deepest Regards, Don MacLean

Don MacLean - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ May those who took the time to mold us into honorable Americans always know that we will carry a small piece of them with us forever into our future.

Karen Meyers Kimmerly. - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ My condolences and prayers for the family. Thank you Mrs. Smith for all you did to assist others.

Alvin Herrington - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ R D So sorry to hear of your mother's pass on your mother's passing. She was a very friendly lady. I can remember when we had to come to Huntsville to take the standardized test. She was so nice to us. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time

Bill Mason - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Margaret (Mrs. Austin) Smith - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JY

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Doris was such a beautiful lady. She always had a smile for everyone. Always letting her light shine. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Jim & Linda Yates - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Doris was a lovely woman-- caring, curious, and always learning. Each time we saw each other we practiced our Spanish. I was working the polls when she came to vote in November. Even though it was at great discomfort and effort, she was determined to be a conscientious citizen. How I admired this woman. She will be missed. My thoughts are with you as you mourn her death and celebrate her wonderful life.

Dena James - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM