



# Mary Helen Smith

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**D**ecatur – Mary Helen Smith, 88, of Decatur, passed away Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Mary was born December 7, 1928 in Decatur the daughter of Frank H. and Helen C. (Moran) Penney. She was a charter member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church where she volunteered for many activities including the Visitation and Funeral Committees. Mary attended Millikin University where she was a member of the Alpha Chi Omega Social Sorority. She worked as a secretary for Decatur Mental Health Center, St. Teresa High School and Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Mary married William P. Smith, Sr., October 23, 1948 and he preceded her in death May 17, 1997. Also preceding her in death are her parents.

Surviving are her children: William P. (Mary) Smith, Jr., of Webster Groves, MO, Nancy L. (Harvey) Schrenk and Dennis F. (Corrie) Smith of Springfield, Stephen G. (Amy) Smith of Ashburn, VA, Stephenie A. (Chris) Gold of West Columbia, SC, and Jon M. (Sharon) Smith of O'Fallon, MO; fifteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

Mass of Christian Burial to celebrate her life will be 11 am, Tuesday, December 27, 2016 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Rev. Richard Weltin, celebrant.

Visitation will be two hours before the service in the church. Burial will follow the Mass in Graceland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Our Lady of Lourdes Church or St. Teresa High School.

The family of Mary H. Smith is being served by Moran & Goebel Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2801 N. Monroe St., Decatur, IL 62526. Condolences and memories may be shared at [www.moranandgoebel.com](http://www.moranandgoebel.com).



## Tribute Wall

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TM

**Tammy Miller Mclane** posted:

I worked at St. T when Mary was a secretary there. She was such a kind and generous lady. In later years, I often saw her at Sr. Kevin's Villa Angela dinners. She always had a smile and something positive to say. She will be missed.

December 26 at 12:55 PM

EG

**Elizabeth Stewart Gandy** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Mary Helen Smith

December 26 at 10:38 AM

JK

**Jane King** posted:

Nancy, I am so sorry to hear of your loss, My condolences and prayers are with you in your time of griefJane King

December 25 at 7:45 AM

SE

**Susan Eby** posted:

You all are in our thoughts and prayers. Susan & Joe Eby

December 23 at 5:45 AM

BW

**Bob Williams** posted:

Deepest sympathy to Steve and Amy and entire family for your loss.Bob Williams

December 23 at 5:21 AM

MB

**Mikki Buhl** posted:

Nancy and family,Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.

December 22 at 3:50 PM



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**Marcia Spellman** posted:

I am sorry for your loss. I miss going to see her went I clean the house fshe will be miss alot.or  
and we would talk a lot too.

December 21 at 1:22 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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