



Marjorie Ruth (Goddard) Smith

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Decatur- Marjorie Ruth (Goddard) Smith, 92, of Decatur, passed away Wednesday, August 20, 2014 in Fair Havens Christian Home. Today, our mother is smiling on us from heaven.

Graveside services to celebrate Marjorie's life will be 4pm Monday, August 25, 2014 at Graceland Cemetery with the eulogy by nephew Jim Goddard. Memorials may be directed Fair Havens Christian Home, in lieu of flowers.

Marjorie Ruth (Goddard) Smith was born on February 14, 1922, on Valentine's Day. She was the youngest of eight children born to Charles E. and Lena Hunter (Rose) Goddard in Windsor, IL. Marjorie graduated from Windsor High school. After Paul and Marjorie raised their family, she learned to drive, and gained some independence. Soon after she went on to volunteer work, she was offered a position as a care sitter at DMH, and later became private home health care sitter, where she made many lifelong friends. She was always such a loving and caring mother. She was also a member of the Northwest Christian Church. She married Paul Smith on December 20, 1941 in St. Charles, MO. Paul preceded her in death on October 15, 1980. They shared fifty eight years together.

She leaves behind her daughter Janice (James) Harper of Mt. Zion, sons, Danny P. Smith of Decatur, Roger L. (Barbra) Smith of Loveland Co.; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was reunited in Heaven with her husband and parents, six brothers, one sister and grandson Kip L. Harper.

Special thanks to Kelly Reynolds for her years of loving care, and also the staff of Fair Havens Christian Home, especially section 1 for all their kind caring compassion.

The family of Marjorie Ruth (Goddard) Smith is being served by Moran & Goebel Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2801 Monroe St, Decatur, IL. View the online



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Good night Mama, I love you!



Tribute Wall

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DS

Danny Paul Smith posted:

Mom lost her husband of over 50 years, a grandchild, and had open-heart quadruple surgery, all within a six month period and simply got up and kept going. She was a true example of "Acceptance". Her faith in God kept her strong. Mom loved all her children and prayed for them many times. There is no prayer stronger than a mother's prayer for her children. Every year she would attend the annual Decatur Celebration. She enjoyed the entertainment as well as seeing old friends. She always made a point to bring something home for dad to eat. She enjoyed garage sales and would proudly show you a popular name-brand "pocket-book" she purchased for only 25 cents. Mom did God's will and has surrendered to win. So grateful for God's gift of my Mom. Danny Paul Smith

August 26 at 8:28 AM

BG

Betty Jo Goddard posted:

Aunt Marjorie was still living with my grandparents when I was a kid. At that time she was a teenager with young hopes of boyfriends and marriage. She spent much time embroidering for her hope chest and listening to love songs on Grandma and Grandpa's battery-powered Atwater-Kent radio. Was she dreaming of the time when she would walk down the aisle? By the time World War II came along, she had realized the dreams those love songs promised and married my Uncle Paul. Did she use those embroidered pillow cases on their marriage bed? Whatever her realized hopes, they produced three kids and perhaps she listened to love songs well into her later years. Those songs don't go out-of-date, do they? She seemed happy the last time I saw her in 2013.

August 25 at 10:37 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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