



# Elsie Marie Smith

OCT 6, 1922 - MAR 22, 2023



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## **Elsie Marie Smith**

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**E**lsie Marie Smith, 100, went to be with the Lord on March 22, 2023, at Hickory Point Christian Village.

By most people she was known as Marie and by family was called Babe.

Elsie Marie was born October 6, 1922, to Wesley Otto and Ada Murial Ford in Pierson Station, IL. Marie was their second child, the first girl out of nine children. She still has two sisters, Ruth and Nancy and her brother, Arthur, are still living.

When she was about 12 years old, the family moved to Cowden, IL. Around 17, she answered an advertisement to become a nanny in Chicago. Later, she worked a war job during WWII where she met her beloved husband, Robert Smith. They married in 1943. After they were married, she worked for Sears Roebuck, CO for 39 years in Chicago. After retiring, they both moved to Decatur, IL.

Marie and Robert loved traveling and had been to most of the United States. Robert convinced Marie to take up the art of painting. She loved to paint scenery and Decatur landmarks, but mostly of her memories of the homestead. She donated paintings of Decatur landmarks to the Macon County History Museum and Decatur Memorial Hospital. Marie enjoyed writing poems and silly sayings. She has published three poem books. Marie never met a stranger.

Robert preceded her in death October of 1991.

Funeral service will be 2:00 PM Friday, March 31, 2023, at Moran and Goebel Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Friday at the funeral home.

Condolences can be left at [www.moranandgoebel.com](http://www.moranandgoebel.com)

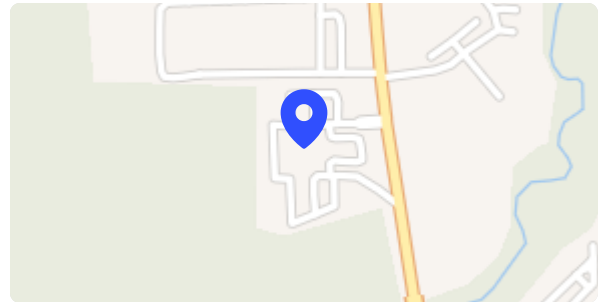


# Events

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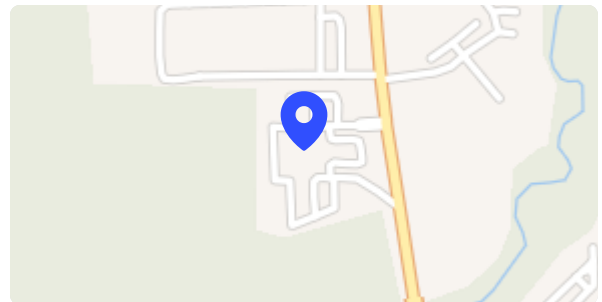
## Visitation

- Friday, March 31, 2023**
- 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT
- Moran & Goebel Funeral Home**  
2801 North Monroe Street, Decatur IL 62526



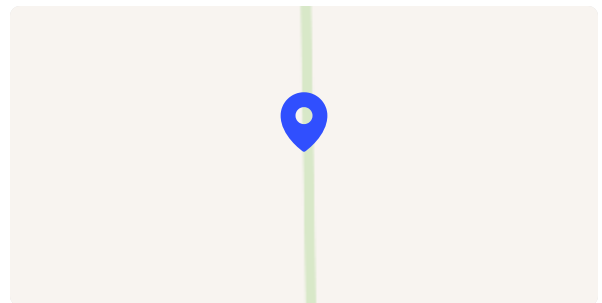
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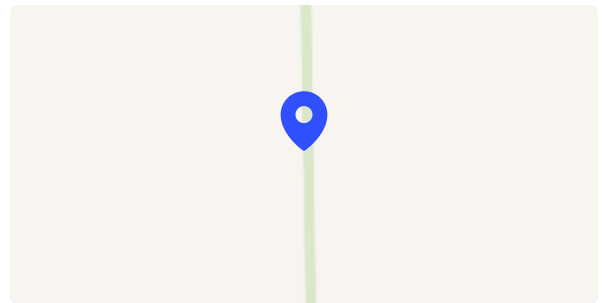
## Burial

- Friday, March 31, 2023**
- Point Pleasant Cemetery**  
Long Creek Township IL



## Cemetery Details

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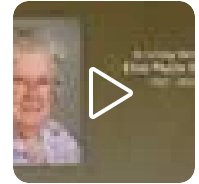


# Tribute Wall

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**Moran & Goebel Funeral Home And Cremation Services** shared a **Video**.



March 29 at 5:04 AM



**Maxine Ruff** March 29 at 6:13 AM  
Nicely done; great memories of her!!



**Love Michael And Karen Viles** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Smith family.



March 28 at 7:23 PM



**Maxine Ruff** posted:

My aunt Babe was the best; she had a fabulous sense of humor that I will miss immensely! I am so happy she was able to make it to her 100th birthday; she enjoyed herself so much and was so thankful and proud!! Enjoy your welcome home; you deserved it!!

March 28 at 12:56 PM



**Douglas L Dukeman** March 30 at 1:42 PM  
R.I.P. Aunt Name Babe. So happy that we got to visit and celebrate your 100th birthday. We will cherish the pics we have that you painted forever.



**Anonymous** sent a Vivid Recollections to the Smith family.



March 28 at 6:58 AM



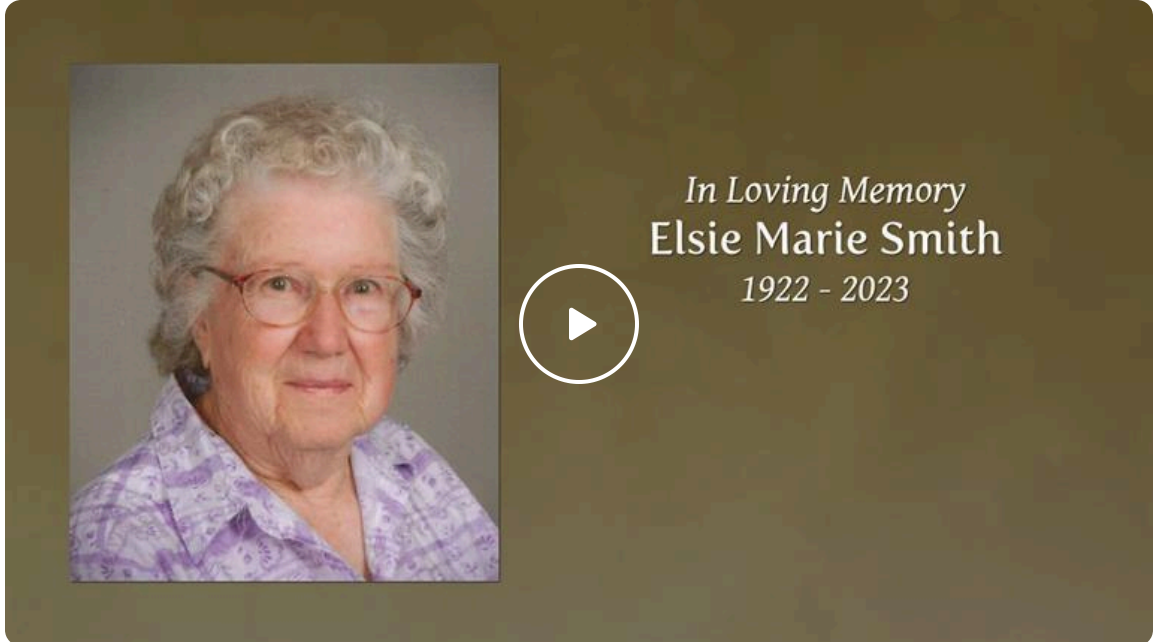
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# Memories only last if you share them

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



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