



Melba Faye Smith

August 25, 1941 - November 23, 2015

Melba Faye Smith, age 74 of Eolia, went to be with the Lord on Monday, November 23rd, 2015 surrounded by her family. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 27th, at the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green with Rev. Steve Brown and Rev. John Bateman officiating. Cremation will follow and the family will bury her cremains, as she requested at the Antioch Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Friday from 9:00 a.m. until time of services.

Faye was born to William Henry Couch and Jessie Ulrich Couch on August 25, 1941 in Curryville, Mo. She attended and graduated from Bowling Green High School in 1959.

Faye married Edward Smith on June 17th, 1960 in Cyrene, Mo. They have celebrated 55 years of marriage and were blessed with 3 beautiful daughters, Sharon O'Neill and Husband Stan of Spearville, Ks, Suzanne Smith and Shelley Hammitt both of Eolia, Mo, and one wonderful son Shannon Smith and wife Kimberly of Eolia.

Many friends were introduced into Faye's life throughout her 74 years and she truly believed that they were brought into her life for a reason. Each and every one made an impact on her life. Thank you.

Faye worked many years as a caterer and cake decorator, lovingly known as the "Cake Lady". She also worked at Stark Bro's as an import/export

specialist, at Communitytype as a graphic designer, owned and ran the Village Smith Resturant in Eolia, worked at the NECC State Prison in Bowling Green, and in Probation Parole as a receptionist in Troy, Mo.

Faye redirected her life and was a born again Christian and spent the last decade of her life happily worshipping and serving the Lord. It is with confidence that she earnestly prayed for all of her family and friends to seek salvation so they may be with her again.

Faye leaves behind her husband Edward, 3 daughters, Sharon, Suzanne, Shelley, son Shannon, 14 precious grandchildren, Tiffany, Brandon, Dustin, Ryan, Corey, Michael, Kimberly, Andrew, Kristine, Leslie, Eric, Tyler, Austin, Zane and 13 great grandchildren, Mesa Merrell, Garrett, Camille, Samantha, Noah, Landon, Norah, Jackson, Brayden, Cree, Bella, Dayva, Noah with twin great grand babies to be born this spring.

Surviving siblings are Esther Maebelle Lybarger, and Joy Lynn Sutton both of Bowling Green, William (Bill) Henry Couch Jr. of Linn, Mo and Thomas Guy Couch of Versailles, Mo. and multiple nieces, nephews, cousins, and in-laws.

Preceding her in death are her parents Henry and Jessie Couch, and two sisters, Rita Couch and Dorothy Irene Stokes.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Leslie Anderson, Michael L. Smith, Andrew Smith, Dustin O'Neill, Tyler Smith, Corey Smith, Ryan O'Neill, Austin Smith, Eric Hammith, Zane Smith

Memorials may be made to the Salt River Baptist Association Mission Fund or the Antioch Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 27. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



Jennifer Phelps

“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to the O'Neill family and the rest of the family! We are sending our prayers. Love you all! The Peters, Phelps and Fischer family!

Jennifer Phelps - November 27, 2015 at 06:44 PM

SH

“ Sherlock's purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Melba Faye Smith.



Sherlock's - November 26, 2015 at 10:37 PM

MK

“ So sorry to hear about Faye. She had a great laugh and was good at making others laugh. Saw her in Wal-Mart several weeks ago. Good to catch up with her. She had that fighting spirit. My sympathies to all of her family.

Marian Kunt - November 26, 2015 at 07:24 PM

MA

“ Our prays go with the family at this time. God Bless her family. Merrill & Darlene Atkins

Merrill & Darlene Atkins - November 25, 2015 at 05:03 PM



“ 44 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC. - November 25, 2015 at 03:51 PM

CH

“ *Deepest Sympathy to Ed and entire family. When I think of Faye what stands out to me are many things, her excellent culinary talents, her creativity, her impish wit and ready laughter. Most of all her deep appreciation and love of family. Hope you all find much peace of mind in the coming days.*

Craig Hammitt - November 25, 2015 at 03:08 PM

KA

“ *I will always remember the Senior adult trips and what fun she was to be around. But most of all I will remember the last time I talked to her and she said don't be sad when I'm gone because I'm going to be rejoicing with my Savior and Lord! Hallelujah!*

Kathy Amelung - November 25, 2015 at 03:03 PM

BW

“ I so sad to hear this news. One of the nicest, kindest people I've had the pleasure of knowing. Faye ran my little Fan Club back in the day. Enlisted members...wrote a newsletter...got folks to come out and see my band play...established a little Fan Club picnic that ran for a few years in the Bowling Green City Park. Miles and years separated us...until just a few years ago when she came to a show I was part of in Montgomery City. She revealed to me that she was battling cancer...and quietly I've hoped for the best. So proud to have known her. My best to her family Ed and all the kids, grand kids and extended family. I have a nothing but wonderful memories of her.

Bill Whyte - November 25, 2015 at 02:04 PM

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“ MY FRIEND, FAYE. YOU WILL BE MISSED. HAEN'T SEEN YOU SINCE YOU WERE HERE AFTER KATRAINA, BUT THINK OF YOU OFTEN.

JIMMIE (BREWER)MELTON - November 25, 2015 at 10:07 AM

CS

“ Carletta Sutton lit a candle in memory of Melba Faye Smith



Carletta Sutton - November 25, 2015 at 09:22 AM

CS

I can't find the words to say to offer comfort but know that I'm keeping you in my thoughts and prayers. I share in your sorrow at losing Faye on this earth but share in your peace of mind that she's with God singing his praises. I'm sure she will be waiting for us with open arms.

Carletta Sutton - November 25, 2015 at 09:25 AM

CL

*Sharon and family,
Our hearts are saddened to hear of your mother's death. We send our love, prayers and condolences to Ed, the family, relation and friends. May you all find strength, love and hope in the Lord in this time of sorrow. Love and Prayers, Chester and Joyce*

Chester & Joyce Leach - November 26, 2015 at 08:46 PM

DC

“ *Dustin O'Neill & Jordan Cox purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Melba Faye Smith.*



Dustin O'Neill & Jordan Cox - November 25, 2015 at 01:00 AM

PA

“ *Paula Ulrich Aznoe lit a candle in memory of Melba Faye Smith*



Paula Ulrich Aznoe - November 24, 2015 at 11:44 PM

VH

“ *Velma Hopkins lit a candle in memory of Melba Faye Smith*



Velma Hopkins - November 24, 2015 at 10:33 PM



“ *Linda Jo Harmon lit a candle in memory of Melba Faye Smith*



Linda Jo Harmon - November 24, 2015 at 08:42 PM



“ *Alicia Marie Dowell lit a candle in memory of Melba Faye Smith*



Alicia Marie Dowell - November 24, 2015 at 06:44 PM