



Lenora Smith

August 1, 1948 - December 17, 2012

Lenora Lee Smith, 64, of Corsicana, Texas found peace with the Lord on December 17, 2012. Lenora was surrounded by her loving family and friends in the days before her unexpected passing.

A lifelong resident of Navarro County, Lenora was born in Corsicana, Texas on August 1, 1948 to Ellis and Alvah “Cookie” Montgomery. She attended Dawson High School and graduated Valedictorian in 1966. Her love of education led her to receive a Bachelor’s in Education from Baylor University and a Master’s in Education from Sam Houston State University. She then received another Master’s in Counseling from Baylor University. A pillar in the education community, Lenora dedicated her life to working with children and young adults, teaching and influencing generations of students. Lenora served for 41 years as a teacher and counselor, primarily with Corsicana ISD. In addition, she was a dedicated member of Northside Baptist Church, and she particularly enjoyed singing in the choir.

Lenora married the love of her life, Glen Smith, on November 26, 1975, and they remained happily married for 37 years. Lenora and Glen were blessed with two daughters, Carrie and Laura, who will forever miss their mother’s comforting presence and quiet wisdom.

Lenora was a passionate grandmother to her treasured grandchildren. She showered her grandchildren with love, support, encouragement, countless hours of happiness, comfort, and lots of candy. Calling her “Gammy” and “Mimi,” they were the joy of her life. She was the one the grandchildren cried

for when they were sick, hurt or sad. She was a true example of unconditional love.

Her dedication to her family and treasured friends was the foundation of her character, and the countless memories she created with those she loved will be her lasting legacy.

Lenora is survived by her husband, Glen, and daughters and sons-in-law, Carrie and Brian Phillips of Corsicana and Laura and Brandon Starr of Dallas; her beloved grandchildren, Braden Herrmann, Brody and Hallie Phillips, Finley and Ellis Starr; mother, Alvah "Cookie" Montgomery; sisters, Monnie Haugh and Kay Yates; nieces, Katie Yates and Traci Pryor; nephew, Bradley Fife; brothers-in-law and wives, Johnny and Kathy Smith and Ben and Suzanne Smith; nephew, Dr. Jeff Smith; and numerous cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father, Ellis Montgomery.

Pallbearers are Greg Bower, Robert Bray, Donnie Denbow, Dave Ralston, Bill Maupin, Jim Wood, and Earl Scarborough.

Honorary pallbearers are her "girls": Barbara Phillips, Beverly Barnette, Terry Boulware, Lanelle Crawford, Patty Bowen, Teresa Parker, and Barbara LePoris.

Visitation will be at Griffin Roughton Funeral Home on Thursday, December 20 from 6-8 p.m. Services will be at Northside Baptist Church on Friday, December 21 at 2 p.m. with Dr. Rick Lamb officiating. Burial will follow at Hamilton – Beeman Cemetery in Corsicana.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Northside Baptist Church Building Fund, 2800 North Beaton Street, Corsicana, Texas 75110.

The family would like to express thanks for all the prayers, cards, calls and support during this difficult time. A on-line guest book is available at www.griffinroughton.com by selecting the service for Lenora Smith.

Funeral arrangements under the direction of Griffin – Roughton Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Hamilton - Beeman Cemetery

700 Farm to Market 2555
Corsicana, TX 75110

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 20. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana
1530 N. 45th Street
Corsicana, TX 75110
(903) 874-4774
info@griffin-roughton.com

Service

DEC 21. 2:00 PM (CT)

Northside Baptist Church
2800 North Beaton
Corsicana, TX 75110

Tribute Wall



“ *Lenora Smith*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Glen, Carrie and Laura,*

We cannot begin to imagine the magnitude of your loss. Losing your Mom at such a budding time of your adult life is beyond comprehension. Losing your wife at any time is something I cannot fathom. Only the Lord Jesus Christ is sufficient to minister peace in such a time. He is faithful.

We look forward to joining you three when Lenora greets us in Glory.

Karen and Harvey Fishero

Karen and Harvey Fishero - December 29, 2012 at 09:06 PM



“ *Lifting you all in thought and prayer today and in days to come.*

James and Karri Minefee



Karri Minefee - December 24, 2012 at 11:16 PM



“ *My thoughts & pray are with Lenora's family & friends. So saddened by the loss of such a great woman. I know you will keep her spirit alive & continue to celebrate her life.*

Lacey Ogburn - December 22, 2012 at 07:11 PM

RD

“ Glenn & Family,

I attended the service today at the church but did not get to tell you personally how sorry I am for your loss. An amazing tribute was paid to Lenora by the large number of people who came. I thought the service was very touching and beautiful. I hope you all were comforted by knowing how many people care for her and your family.

Sincerely,

*Rick Dodson
Bartonville, TX*

Rick Dodson - December 21, 2012 at 08:12 PM

TG

“ Tony & Lynn Gatlin lit a candle in memory of
Lenora Smith



Tony & Lynn Gatlin - December 21, 2012 at 07:19 PM



“ Pamela Baggett lit a candle in memory of
Lenora Smith



pamela baggett - December 21, 2012 at 06:27 PM

SB

“ *Susan Castles Berry lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Susan Castles Berry - December 21, 2012 at 05:40 PM

SL

“ *Doug, Sallie, Michael Lenox*



Sallie Lenox - December 21, 2012 at 12:44 PM



“ *Glenn and Family you are in our thoughts and prayers today. Lenora was a wonderful person and will be missed. Glenn if you need anything were just a few steps away allways. From the Aguado Family*

Fred Sonya Aguado - December 21, 2012 at 11:34 AM

JK

“ *Glenn i share your pain i just loss my wife of 45 years , just letting you know im thinking a bout you and your family , never will forget the early dayst Drane with you an Ben , joe@kirkconstruction.com*

Joe G. Kirk - December 21, 2012 at 11:16 AM

JL

“ Jack Lester lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith



Jack Lester - December 21, 2012 at 10:41 AM

CM

“ Glen, Carrie, Laura and family: I can remember from a young age being family friends and fortunate enough to have had "Mrs. Smith" as a teacher 27 years ago. Your wife, your mom, your grandmother, your daughter impacted many many lives in many ways because she was a true difference maker. Beautiful, loving, caring, comfortable, sweet & calming spirit and gentle boldness but only when necessary are words that immediately come to my mind when I think of her. She HAS left a legacy for you girls and grandgirls. It is my prayer for you, Smith family, that in time, your broken heartedness and sorrow will become a little lighter, although she will always be desperately needed, missed and loved by you, knowing that she was prepared to meet her Creator, her Savior and that you will be with her again. Receive His peace and seek strength from Him. Lenora Smith will be greatly missed by so many. Much love and prayer for you to face the days ahead ~ Clint & Neely Minchew

Clint & Neely Minchew - December 21, 2012 at 09:56 AM

PA

“ Paul And Cindy Asby lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith



Paul and Cindy Asby - December 21, 2012 at 08:50 AM

JA

“ *Glen we are sorry for your lost, you and your family will be in our prayers.*

Mike and Janet Allred

Janet Allred - December 20, 2012 at 09:41 PM



“ *My sweet cousin, Glen and all of his family: I send my heart-felt condolences to you all. I am so very sorry for your loss and I know you will miss her terribly. I will be praying fo r the Holy Spirit to comfort you the way only He can.*

*Sincerest Sympathies,
Mary King LaBorde
Houston, Texas*

Mary LaBorde - December 20, 2012 at 08:08 PM

TP

“ *Sorry for your loss. Lenora was a great lady. Terry Priddy and all the Priddy family*

terry priddy - December 20, 2012 at 07:56 PM

KD

“ *Ken Douglas lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Ken Douglas - December 20, 2012 at 07:48 PM

HT

“ *H.D. & Linda Tackett lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



H.D. & Linda Tackett - December 20, 2012 at 07:23 PM

FG

“ *Fred & Barbara Grice lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Fred & Barbara Grice - December 20, 2012 at 04:55 PM

DC

“ *Debbie Cottar lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Debbie Cottar - December 20, 2012 at 04:20 PM

CK

“ *Calvin And Patty Knauth lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Calvin and Patty Knauth - December 20, 2012 at 03:49 PM

CK

“ *Christi Jo Kimball lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Christi Jo Kimball - December 20, 2012 at 02:52 PM

GB

“ *Glen, Carrie, Laura, & family, We are deeply saddened by the passing of Lenora. She was an incredible lady, truly a class act. She will be greatly missed by all who new her. Our thoughts & prayers are with you all.*

Greg & Mona

Greg & Mona Barlow - December 20, 2012 at 02:33 PM

LC

“ *Les Cotten lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Les Cotten - December 20, 2012 at 01:33 PM

AG

“ *Beautiful lady with a big heart. Great counselor and will be truly missed.*



Antonio Gonzales - December 20, 2012 at 01:18 PM

PJ

“ *My love & continued prayers will be with all of you during this time. Lenora was a precious person and loved her family so much. May God watch over all of you and hold cherished memories close to you always.*

Love to all,

Paula Jordan

Julie Jordan

Abigail (Jordan) Laskowski

Paula Jordan - December 20, 2012 at 01:06 PM

TM

“ *Terry Montgomery lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Terry Montgomery - December 20, 2012 at 12:36 PM

EB

“ *Glen, Carrie, Laura & Family -*

Lenora was an amazing and bright light. I was blessed to have her as a teacher and her love and support made her a favorite in my heart. Having gone through a similar situation with my Daddy, I know the shock and sadness you are feeling. But, you will continue to find comfort and support as the people of Corsicana share their memories and stories because I know she touched many. All the best to you. We are lifting you in prayer.

God bless.

Erin Cooper Burgy

Erin Cooper Burgy - December 20, 2012 at 10:33 AM

JW

“ *Jeri Prater Wright lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Jeri Prater Wright - December 20, 2012 at 08:49 AM

DD

“ *Debbie Mims Drum lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Debbie Mims Drum - December 20, 2012 at 08:40 AM

OP

“ *Glen,*

I was sorry to hear about the loss of Lenora, I know she will be missed by her family and by her community. Words can't take away the hurt but know that your friends are praying for you and your family.

Osye

Osye Pritchett - December 20, 2012 at 08:29 AM

AB

“ *Glen, Carrie and Laura and family, It's hard to believe Lenora passed away so unexpectedly. I know you will miss her deeply and I pray that this Christmas will be full of great joy and love as you comfort each other. Wishing you all the best, Ashley*

Ashley Coursey Bull - December 20, 2012 at 08:10 AM

LS

“ *Lou Ann Star lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Lou Ann Star - December 20, 2012 at 07:07 AM

LM

“ *Glen, Carrie, and Laura, I am sad to hear of your loss. Lenora was a Great Wife, Mother, Educator and Friend, who Loved her Family and Community. It is my honor to have known her. Our Prayers go out to you and the girls.*

Lance & Linda Mayhugh

Lance Mayhugh - December 20, 2012 at 06:44 AM

JB

“ *We are so sorry to hear about Lenora. Our prayers go out to the family.*

Joe & Darlene Burt



Joe & Darlene Burt - December 19, 2012 at 09:31 PM

RF

“ *Roger & Linda Tarvin And Family lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Roger & Linda Tarvin and family - December 19, 2012 at 08:44 PM

JW

“Glen, I was so sorry to hear about your loss. I never was fortunate to meet your wife, but I'm sure she was a grand Lady. You and your kids will be in my thoughts and prayers,

Jimmy Whistler

jimmy whistler - December 19, 2012 at 05:36 PM

JB

“Glen, I can't imagine your grief. I wish I had known her better.
Joelyn

Joelyn Slate Belew - December 19, 2012 at 05:33 PM

JB

“*Joelyn Slate Belew lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Joelyn Slate Belew - December 19, 2012 at 05:29 PM

PJ

“*What a wonderful Friend and Such a Godly Lady!!*

Phil & Darlene Judson

Phil Judson - December 19, 2012 at 04:57 PM

BB

“ *Brenda Tanner Barron lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Brenda Tanner Barron - December 19, 2012 at 04:30 PM

BB

“ *Glen , there are no words to ease your pain...Lenora was so beautiful and has always been since we were small ..I will miss her smile and her sweetness. I have nothing but good memories of her.. Prayers for you and the girls, Cookie, Monnie and Kay...*

Brenda Tanner Barron - December 19, 2012 at 04:29 PM

KD

“ *Kelly McDonald Dworaczyk lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Kelly McDonald Dworaczyk - December 19, 2012 at 04:18 PM

SP

“ *Sue Guinn Petrie lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Sue Guinn Petrie - December 19, 2012 at 03:58 PM

PH

“ Pam Hodge lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith



Pam Hodge - December 19, 2012 at 03:34 PM



“ Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Lenora Smith.



December 19, 2012 at 03:03 PM

VW

“ Praying comfort and peace for all her family and friends. Lenora was a very special friend/co-worker and will be dearly missed. Eddie and Vanessa Williams and girls

Vanessa Williams - December 19, 2012 at 02:16 PM

SB

“ Lenora was a beautiful lady inside and out. I will miss her sweet smile. Glen, Carrie & Laura, my prayers are with you during this difficult time.

S

Sharon Bugg - December 19, 2012 at 02:13 PM

CR

“ *Cathy Gravelle Rushing lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Cathy Gravelle Rushing - December 19, 2012 at 01:29 PM

CR

Glen, my old friend, there are no words to express my sorrow.

Cathy Gravelle Rushing - December 19, 2012 at 01:35 PM

JB

“ *Glen, sorry to hear of your loss. I know you have many wonderful memories to help you through this time. God bless you and yours.*

James and Cathy Banks

James and Cathy Banks - December 19, 2012 at 12:44 PM

NH

“ *So sorry to hear about Mrs. Smith. She was my teacher at Drane 32 years ago. She was the most beautiful person inside and out. I remember telling her that I wanted to change my name like hers since she was just so pretty.*

My prayers and condolences to her family. God bless.

Nora Vasquez Hilburn

Nora Vasquez Hilburn - December 19, 2012 at 12:21 PM

JG

“Glen, I am very sorry for your loss of Lenora. Brenda and I really enjoyed visiting with you and Lenora at our last class reunion dinner. We could see what a nice person she was and what a loving couple you two were. Glen, we've been friends for many years and please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jim Gunter

Jim Gunter - December 19, 2012 at 12:18 PM

CH

“Glen and family-you are in my thoughts and prayers

Christine Howard - December 19, 2012 at 12:09 PM

TW

“Ty Willis lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith



Ty Willis - December 19, 2012 at 11:02 AM

JQ

“Our thoughts and prayers go out to your family at this time. Lenora was always smiling.

Jeff, Janice, Brooke, Daisy, Cate Quinn



Janice Quinn - December 19, 2012 at 10:46 AM

CB

“ You all are in our thoughts and prayers. I am blessed to have known Leonora and you. I loved teaching your girls and now seeing them "all grown up". We love you all.
Chuck and Pam Burns

Chuck and Pam Burns - December 19, 2012 at 10:38 AM

AC

“ April (Trent) Clark lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith



April (Trent) Clark - December 19, 2012 at 10:20 AM

AC

She was a great teacher, one of the best I had. Very kind and sweet.

April (Trent) Clark - December 19, 2012 at 10:21 AM

PB

“ Pamesha Brown lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith



Pamesha Brown - December 19, 2012 at 08:49 AM



“ We are so sorry about the loss of Lenora. We know you anticipate a great reunion in Heaven, until then-we will treasure her sweet smile and gentle spirit. We love you both, Joe and Vicki Sims

Joe Vicki Sims - December 19, 2012 at 08:09 AM

SR

“ *Susan Golden Ritter lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*




Susan Golden Ritter - December 19, 2012 at 07:13 AM

BO

“ *Bobby Owen lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Bobby Owen - December 19, 2012 at 01:32 AM

 Tammy Mosley Capps

“ *RIP Lenora (Mrs. Smith) who was my English teacher at Drane (im 48 now) and my daughter at Collins (who is 23 now) She will be rememered for her kindness and her contribution to the CISD, as a teacher, counselor and friend. Blessings and peace to you Smith Family. Tammy Mosley Capps*

Tammy Mosley Capps - December 18, 2012 at 11:21 PM

CH

“ *GLEN AND CARRIE AND FAMILY, SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS. COY AND BRENDA HODGE*

COY HODGE - December 18, 2012 at 10:50 PM



“ *Ann Lewis lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Ann Lewis - December 18, 2012 at 10:10 PM



A friend laughs with you, cries with you, and always remembers you. When it is 2:00 or 3:00 AM while you are riding in the back of a pick-up, coming home from a horseshow, tired, dirty and completely silly, when you cry because you must sing a song together to say goodbye to a younger friend, when you trust each other with secrets that you want no others to know.....these are the things I will always remember!!! I love you, Lenora L. Montgomery Smith and your memory will be with me forever. ann

Ann Lewis - December 18, 2012 at 10:15 PM

MJ

“ *Marcia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Marcia Johnson - December 18, 2012 at 09:02 PM



“ *Tom Lester lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Tom Lester - December 18, 2012 at 08:28 PM



My thoughts are with all of you. Prayers going out to your family.

Tom Lester - December 18, 2012 at 08:32 PM

EP

“ *Glen, Carrie, Laura and all your families; We are so sorry for for your loss. Lenora touched so many lives and was such a blessing to all. May the Lord bless and keep you all during this time and give you the strength you will need. We are praying for you.*

Ervin and Sheral Phillips

Ervin and Sheral Phillips - December 18, 2012 at 07:44 PM

CR

“ *So sorry for this great loss Glen. I love your whole family and will pray for you daily...Carolyn Rhodes*

Carolyn Rhodes - December 18, 2012 at 06:48 PM

JF

“ *Jeff Conner Family lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Jeff Conner Family - December 18, 2012 at 05:09 PM

KF

“ *Kyle Cook And Family lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Kyle Cook and Family - December 18, 2012 at 04:45 PM

DD

“ There are no words to tell you all how very sorry we are about Lenora. Only God knows why things like this happens. I have lost so many and know the pain you are all feeling right now. Time really does help ease the pain. She will live forever in each of you. Carry her precious memories close to your hearts. She is now a Beautiful Angel to watch over you daily. I wish I could say something that would help ease the pain, but I know there is nothing that will help right now. Just please remember you have many many friends and family members that love you and are there for you to lean on during the days ahead. Our prayers are for Comfort, Peace and Understanding. Hugs to you all. All Our Love, Brett, Diane, Dustin, Suzanne, Seth, Daniel, Ashley and Owen Douglas

Diane Douglas - December 18, 2012 at 04:33 PM

NN

“ Glen, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.
Nancy Neal

Nancy Neal - December 18, 2012 at 04:17 PM

LK

“ Linda Kendall lit a candle in memory of
Lenora Smith



Linda Kendall - December 18, 2012 at 04:05 PM

RW

“ My first year in college (1966), I learned how to place a two-party, long-distance call using the same phone from my dorm room. I would call Glen, then call Lenora (they lived in separate towns at the time). I put the handset down and they'd talk for at least an hour before hanging up. I did it because it brought happiness to Glen, who loved Lenora greatly. He still does.

Ronnie Ward - December 18, 2012 at 03:55 PM

JJ

“ Glen and family, So sorry for your loss. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

John & Sharon Johnson - December 18, 2012 at 03:53 PM

MA

“ Marcia Anderson lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith



Marcia Anderson - December 18, 2012 at 03:44 PM

BD

“ Bill & Lavon Denson lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith



Bill & Lavon Denson - December 18, 2012 at 03:37 PM

JH

“ *John Haugh lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



John Haugh - December 18, 2012 at 03:23 PM

JH

“ *Our deepest sympathy Monnie and family. Wish we could be there but you are in our prayers. Love John and Shelly Haugh*

John Haugh - December 18, 2012 at 03:21 PM



“ *Tonya Rowswell lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Tonya Rowswell - December 18, 2012 at 11:50 AM

KM

“ *Kimi Muldner lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Kimi Muldner - December 18, 2012 at 11:02 AM

MT

“ *Marsha Taylor lit a candle in memory of Lenora Smith*



Marsha Taylor - December 18, 2012 at 10:51 AM

PC

Mr, smith use to be my banker at city national bank, and i am very sorry for his lost, You will be in our thoughts and prayers
Pete & Maria Cantu

Pete Cantu - December 19, 2012 at 10:23 AM