



Ruth Kay Smith

September 9, 1941 - March 21, 2024

Ruth Kay Smith, age 82 of Conyers, died Thursday, March 21, 2024. She was preceded in death by her husband, John Otis Smith, Jr., parents, Hobert & Ruth Richards, and her sister, Cheryl Conner. She is survived by her children, Don Watson, Jr. & Mike Ryan, Gil & Nancy Watson, Jan & Greg Sweat, Jerry Smith, Victoria Smith, Mike & Angie Smith, her grandchildren, Kayleigh Watson, Emily Sweat, Joshua Watson, Gregory Sweat, Jr., Shannon Mitchell, Dawn Wolf, Heather DuBose, Megan Clark, Mallory Smith, Durden Smith, her brother, Bert Richards, a number of great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. She enjoyed gardening, bird-watching, shopping, reading her Bible and texting with her grandchildren. Watching Murder Mysteries, Lifetime movies, or UGA football were also favorite pastimes. Ms. Smith was a graduate of Georgia Baptist School of Nursing and was once honored with the title of Georgia Nurse of the Year.

Funeral services will be held Monday, March 25, 2024 at 2:00 PM at Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel with Pastor Tim Barnette officiating. Interment will be held at Georgia National Cemetery. The family will receive friends Sunday, March 24, 2024 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the funeral home.

Condolences may be submitted on-line at www.scotward.com. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

Cemetery Details

Georgia National Cemetery

1080 Scott Hudgens Drive
Canton, GA 30114

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 24. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Service

MAR 25. 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Tribute Wall



“ *Scot Ward Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Ruth Kay Smith*



Scot Ward Funeral Services - March 25, 2024 at 01:50 PM

AL

“ *Bert, please accept my deepest sympathy for you and all of your extended family. Kay was a special woman and big sister to one of the most loved people in my life. Kay loaned me one of her formal dresses for my first junior-senior dances with Al, and she was so kind to keep me in the loop throughout Cheryl's health challenges until the end. I know you will miss her, and you are in my prayers for peace and strength.*

Andrea Lasseter - March 24, 2024 at 05:23 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.*



March 24, 2024 at 01:02 PM

TS

“ Teia standeffer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Kay Smith.

Teia standeffer - March 24, 2024 at 11:07 AM

TS

“ Teia standeffer purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.



Teia standeffer - March 24, 2024 at 11:07 AM



“ 44 files added to the album Life Tributes



Scot Ward Funeral Services - March 24, 2024 at 09:41 AM

JM

“ Our sincere condolences for you and your family in the loss of your Mother. May her memory be eternal. She is in His presence now. She was beautiful and you are her made over! So lovely! I think of you often and the wonderful jobs we had at South Fulton Hospital! Love, Jeanie and Tony McGee

Jeanie McGee - March 23, 2024 at 11:27 PM

PE

“ Pat and Elaine purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.



Pat and Elaine - March 23, 2024 at 02:52 PM

JF

“ John, Teresa & the Downs/Wood family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.



John, Teresa & the Downs/Wood family - March 23, 2024 at 12:43 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.



March 23, 2024 at 11:34 AM

BC

“ Brant Conner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Kay Smith.

Brant Conner - March 23, 2024 at 11:34 AM

NC

“ Nora C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Kay Smith.

Nora C. - March 23, 2024 at 09:18 AM

NC

“ Nora C. purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.



Nora C. - March 23, 2024 at 09:18 AM

KS

“ Kendall and Mitch Stover purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.



Kendall and Mitch Stover - March 22, 2024 at 11:14 PM

KS

“ Kendall and Mitch Stover planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Kay Smith.

Kendall and Mitch Stover - March 22, 2024 at 11:14 PM

JF

“ John & Shannon Mitchell's family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Kay Smith.

John & Shannon Mitchell's family - March 22, 2024 at 04:09 PM

JF

“ *John & Shannon Mitchell's family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.*



John & Shannon Mitchell's family - March 22, 2024 at 04:09 PM

MF

“ *Mike & Angie Smith and family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ruth Kay Smith.*



Mike & Angie Smith and family - March 22, 2024 at 03:29 PM