



Martha Jane Smith

September 27, 1927 - February 20, 2023

Martha “Jane” Smith, Age 95 of Nashville, TN, died February 20, 2023.

Born in Jackson, TN on September 27, 1927, she was the daughter of Aubrey D. Stevens, Sr. and Martha Jane Plummer. She married Roy A. G. Smith on April 28, 1953 in Nashville.

Jane was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her son, Philip W. Smith, siblings Aubrey D. Stevens, Jr. and Phyllis Tipple, as well as her best friend of 50 years, Pauline Crowell.

She is survived by her daughter, Judith Plummer, brother, Paul Dowl, and nieces and nephews William S. Small, Lemoyne Smith, and Pam, Kathy, Tammy, Steve, and Jeff Haltom. She will be missed by her beloved dogs, Buster and Maggie.

Jane came to Nashville in the fall of 1946 as a music major at George Peabody College for Teachers (now part of Vanderbilt). Soon after, she joined Eastland Baptist Church, where she directed the children’s choir, was a sanctuary choir soloist, and at one time served as interim Minister of Music.

In 1968, she joined the staff of Eastland’s newly launched childcare center, eventually becoming the Center Director. She retired in 2001.

A graveside service took place on February 27 at Spring Hill Cemetery.

A Celebration of Life is planned in May.

Updates will be posted to the following Web site:

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Tribute Wall

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“ *CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR MARTHA JANE SMITH*
Saturday, April 22, 2023, 2 pm
Memorial Lutheran Church
1211 Riverside Drive
Nashville, TN 37206

Judith Plummer (Daughter) - March 22, 2023 at 03:32 PM

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“ *My Mother, Pauline Crowell, was Jane Smith's very best friend. They will sing in the choir together forever as they did for so many years at The Eastland Baptist Church. They are reunited and thrilled to be together again. Happy for both of them.*

Paul Alan Crowell

Paul Alan Crowell - March 05, 2023 at 02:49 AM

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Thank you for your kind words, Paul. I, too, am so happy that our mothers are reunited in Heaven. Judy

Judith Plummer (Daughter) - March 22, 2023 at 03:34 PM