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Lorna Smith Obituary

Lorna Marmie (nee McMorris) Smith, 96, of Elyria, passed away Saturday, March 1, 2025 at Rose Senior Living, Avon. She was born December 20, 1928 in Sault St. Marie, Michigan and was the daughter of the late Harry and Cora (nee Rowe) McMorris.

Lorna graduated in 1946 from Sault St. Marie High School, Sault St. Marie, Michigan. When her father unexpectedly became ill with a heart condition, she managed McMorris Men's Wear while still in high school, issuing paychecks, ordering inventory, bookkeeping, until his recuperation. In 1949, she married the love of her life, Charles Frederick "Fred" Smith. They met on a blind date arranged by her older sisters and were married for 65 wonderful years before Fred passed in 2015.

Lorna enjoyed golf, traveling, hiking with her grandsons and her husband, genealogy and spending time with family and friends. She attended LCCC and earned an associate's degree. Lorna was a meticulous genealogist and had her work notated in numerous books and writings.

Surviving are her children; Anita Smith (Jeff Lessig), Susan (Tom) Leininger, Gerald (Darlene) Smith and Sally Roth; grandsons; Stirling Roth, Greg Leininger, Derek Roth, Jacob Roth, Michael Lessig, Kevin Leininger and Brandon Smith; great grand-daughter, Emme Leininger and a sister, Carole (Gerry) Bosshart.

Lorna was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Frederick "Fred" Smith; parents; sisters, Evelyn Reninger, Ruth Oakes and Betty Baxter; brother, Harry McMorris and a grandson, Bryan Andrew Leininger.

A private service will be held at a later date.



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AS

A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Lorna Marmie Smith posted:

A Memorial Tree was planted for Lorna Marmie Smith We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Dicken Funeral Home & Cremation Service Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree

January 29 at 9:43 AM

CG

Craig Goodman posted:

Condolences on the passing of Mrs. Smith from the Goodman family. Saddened to hear the last of the original 'Overlook Parents' is gone. The end of an era. Plenty of great memories of both your Mom & Dad.

March 8 at 4:40 AM

RC

Robin Hanson -- Formerly Robin Conrad posted:

My condolences to the family. "Grandma Lorna," as young Stirling and young Greg called her, was a very kind person and I enjoyed interacting with her when I served as a "mother's helper"/"grandmother's helper" after school during my high school years (1982-1986). She was very proud of her family; I remember seeing high school yearbook photos of them on the wall in the family room where I would play with Stirling and sometimes Greg. She always offered me a snack while I was there and once offered me dinner when I was asked to stay later on, as it happens, a Friday during Lent. It amuses me to recall that she was startled when I told her that I couldn't eat the hamburger she offered because it was a Friday in Lent and as a practicing Catholic I had to abstain from meat. Realizing at the time that she was not Catholic, I reassured her that the offer was not offensive :-). She and "Grandpa Fred" were gentle souls will now be together again.

March 6 at 5:41 PM

SC

Stephen Cihla posted:

So sorry for your loss. Your Mom was one of my favorite Moms. She will be missed.

March 6 at 2:49 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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