

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Gregory Smith
Leon Smith Jr.
Kenneth "Kenny" Mickey
Isaiah Chaz Young

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Bryan Graves
Gary Johnson
John Eddie Kinley
Alonzo Lamont McGuire
Tyson Prewitt
Charles Anthony "Tony" Walker



~ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS~

We are deeply moved by the love and support we have received following the passing of our beloved matriarch, Diane McCowan Smith. During this difficult time, your kind words, comforting gestures, and thoughtful presence have been a source of solace for us. We are grateful for the beautiful memories shared, the meals prepared, the visits made, and the time taken to honor her life.

She was the heart of our family, pillar of strength, and a source of unconditional love. Knowing how much she meant to all of you has reminded us of the legacy of kindness and generosity she left behind. Your expressions of sympathy and friendship have lightened our sorrow and helped us remember Diane McCowan Smith with gratitude and Joy.
The Family



Arrangement Entrusted To:
Smith-Jackson Funeral Home
446 Bate Street - Danville, Kentucky 40422
859-236-5261



In Loving Memory



Diane McCowan Smith
June 27, 1944 - November 3, 2024

FUNERAL SERVICE
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024
1:00 PM

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
200 W. WALNUT STREET
DANVILLE, KENTUCKY

REV. DR. DARRICK BRISCOE, PASTOR

~ Her Beautiful Life ~

Diane McCowan Smith, 80, of Danville Kentucky, quietly passed away on November 3rd, 2024, after a battle with lung cancer. She was surrounded in love by her family.

Diane was born and raised in Danville, Kentucky. She attended the historical Bate High School, where she was active in clubs and organizations, including the Student Council as Assistant Secretary, a member of the Bate Special Chorus, a homecoming court attendant and quite to her personality, a member of the school newspaper, the Chatterbox.

After graduating Bate High School, she left Danville traveling to Columbus Ohio to seek a career, but she was soon to return, homesick, to Leon Smith. The two married, started a family, and created a home raising 3 children together. Along the way, Diane would create and build friendships that would last generations. She was a 4th generation member of First Baptist 2nd & Walnut, where she accepted Christ at the age of 10. She participated in Sunday school from childhood to adulthood, sang in the adult choir, where she jauntily sang "Satisfied With Jesus". and served as the church clerk for at least 20 years serving three pastors. It was during her later years at the church, that she started a city-wide senior citizen feeding program and rallied the church to join in the Samaritan's Purse, international annual shoe box drive for needy children.

Diane's longest career was spent in food service. She eventually became a food service manager at Ephraim McDowell Memorial Hospital. Perhaps her most memorable though, was her time at Dawahare's, where her personality and sales success led to training and supervising new hires.

Diane did all she could to live a joyful life surviving colon cancer and three strokes, and the Lord blessed her for it. She is survived by her husband, Leon Smith Sr., son Leon Smith Jr and daughters Lisa Joleen Smith, and Penny Renee (Smith) Mickey (Kenneth Mickey). She was preceded in death by her parents Charlesetta (Singleton, McCowan) Bradshaw and Dowell McCowan, her sister, Betty Charles (McCowan) Walker and brother Dallas McCowan.

She will be dearly missed by grandchildren, Isaiah Chaz Young, (Kristina Aguilera) Lexus Diane (Smith) Hale, Alysia Leona Smith, and Gregory Kenaniah Armstrong, great grandchild Kaiyah Amala Kimberlyn Hale and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

She never met a stranger and could make anybody laugh. Thank God, now you are Satisfied!

~ Order of Service ~

- Processional First Baptist Male Chorus
- ScriptureClergy
- Prayer Clergy
- Solo Kim Walker Warren
- Acknowledgments, Resolutions, Cards, Letter, Etc.
- Obituary Read in Silence
- Remarks Visiting Ministers
- Musical Selection First Baptist Male Chorus
- Eulogy Rev. Darrick Briscoe
- Recessional Quiet Music

Interment
Hilldale Cemetery



Duncan Hill Rd
Danville, Kentucky

