



## Janet M. Smith

August 13, 1950 - February 3, 2020

Janet M. Smith, age 69, passed away Monday, February 3, 2020 in Fort Myers, Florida. Jan was born August 13, 1930 in Detroit, Michigan to William and Stella Malinczak.

She graduated from Paul K. Cousino High School in 1969 and attended Macomb Community College. Jan left college to pursue a career in retail with the K-Mart Corporation in 1988. She married Jerry Smith and retired from K-Mart in 1990, having held many management positions in various states.

Janet enjoyed travel both within the USA as well as Europe. She started a new career in a marketing/sales position at Michigan Mechanical Services. Her accounts included Rouge Steel Company and Ford Motor Company.

In 1999, Jan retired and went to Fort Myers, Florida to select a piece of property in the Blackhawk Community and had a home designed, built and furnished to surprise her husband. All completed in 2001, they spent the winters in Fort Myers and the summers at their home on Middle Straits Lake, W. Bloomfield, Michigan but she always considered Florida her home.

Having a deep interest in sewing she had plenty of students as well as friends who got together almost daily to sew. Janet also formed a card group and bowled in a league in Naples, Florida. She will be missed by all.

She was preceded in death by her father, William; her mother, Stella; and her brother, Wayne. She is survived by her husband of 30 years, Jerry; his children, Scott and Jill; and 4 grandchildren; as well as her sister, Denise; brother, Bill; and sisters-in-law, Margaret and Chris. They had an extended family to include many nieces and nephews as well as her special aunt, Dolores Ranger, all residing in Michigan.

A memorial service to celebrate her life will be held on Saturday, February 15, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, 28300 Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs, FL 34134. A reception will follow.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Janet M. Smith*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Janet M. Smith.*



February 13, 2020 at 09:24 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Janet M. Smith.*



February 11, 2020 at 10:11 AM



“ *Dennis and I send our condolences to Jerry and the rest of Jan's family. Jan was such an energetic and accomplished person, always ready to help whenever she could She had her sewing class save fabric and yarn for our "Flippin' Out for Kids" group. She also organized our Monday card group. Glad that she is now at peace. Our prayers are with the family.*

*Martha and Dennis Solon*

**Martha Solon** - February 10, 2020 at 02:04 PM

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“ Jan was such a special person who changed my LIFE when I met her. I met her in 2005 bought my machine from her and it been a wild ride ever since. We sewed we laughed, no matter what we did we had a ball She had so much knowledge which she shared all the time. I have learned so much from her and every time I do things I will always think about Jan and laugh at every time I remember how she fixed my mistakes and believe me there were many. She was a wonderful wife, stepmother, sister, and friend to all who met her. Jerry and Sadie were her LIFE and they will forever be in her HEART as you both will carry her in your HEART! She was such a wonderful friend to me over the years and I will miss her greatly but she is out of pain and can spread her LOVE in HEAVEN! Be at peace my dear friend Jan.

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**Sandy Malloy** - February 09, 2020 at 12:51 PM