



Marilyn Smithers

January 20, 1942 - February 13, 2024

Marilyn L. Smithers, age 82, of Elkton passed away on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at the home of her granddaughter, under hospice care and surrounded by her loving family.

Marilyn was born on January 20, 1942 in Monroe, MI, daughter of the late Douglas and Minnie (Motz) Brackenberry. She married the late Dale Schember and her second husband the late John Smithers.

Marilyn enjoyed canning, crocheting and sewing, reading the Bible, spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She graduated Bad Axe High School in 1960. She was a lifelong member of Evangel Life Church and spent 33 years working for Scheurer Hospital and 2.5 years at Scenic Convalescent Home.

Marilyn is survived by two sons, Mark (Sharon) Schember of Elkton and Kurt (Lisa) Schember of Bad Axe.

Two brothers, Ralph (Linda) Brackenberry of Pigeon and Ron Brackenberry and special friend Lisa of Bad Axe.

One sister, Marie Schember of Pigeon.

Six grandchildren, Carissa Gregory, Brandon (Tiffany) Schember, Jarin (Jessie) Smith, Sara (Justin) Carter, Cody (Zoey-Fiance) Schember, Haley (Jesse-Fiance) Schember, one step-granddaughter and fourteen great-

grandchildren..

She was preceded in death by one son, Kevin Schember and two daughters, Melody Harmon and Dawn Schember.

Services will be held on Friday, February 16, 2024 at 11 am at the Evangelife Assembly of God, 1369 South Van Dyke, Bad Axe. Burial will in Grandlawn Cemetery in Pigeon. Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 15, 2024 from 2 -8 pm at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe or Friday at the church from 10 am until the service time at 11 am.

Memorials may be offered to Evangelife Church, Heartland Hospice and A and D.

Cemetery Details

Grand Lawn Cemetery

Pigeon, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **15**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kaufman & Co. Funeral Home, Inc.
84 Westland Dr
Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-3000
kaufmanfuneralhome@gmail.com

Visitation

FEB **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Evangel Life Assembly of God Church
Bad Axe, MI

Funeral Service

FEB **16**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Evangel Life Assembly of God Church
Bad Axe, MI

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Schembers, McLellans and Schmitts purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Marilyn Smithers.* ”



The Schembers, McLellans and Schmitts - February 14, 2024
at 09:31 PM

MG

“ *I’m sorry I won’t be able to attend any of the celebrations of Marilyn’s life; she’d give me a hard time for that! So many memories flood my heart and mind as I review her impact. Kind, servant-hearted and loving, Marilyn also sported a good dose of mischief and was always ready to laugh. One of the first adults I knew to boldly say she wasn’t perfect, her humble heart and certainty about her faith were a formidable combination. She loved to sing and worship the Lord at the top of her lungs, even though she’d say she “wasn’t good enough”. Certainly part of the 20% who do all the work in the church, she knew more about the foundations that keep things going than most. From the very day of my arrival as an infant, Marilyn was a beloved constant in my life and I will be forever grateful. ❤️* ”

Michele Gunn - February 14, 2024 at 05:49 PM

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Amen

Janet Rotger - February 15, 2024 at 10:31 AM