



Jo Etta Smith Perry

May 1, 1946 - May 2, 2018

Jo Etta Smith Perry, age 72, of Morrilton, Arkansas, passed away Wednesday, May 2, 2018. She was born May 1, 1946 in Morrilton, Arkansas, a daughter of Learoy Smith and Hazel McDaniel Smith. She retired from Virco Manufacturing Corporation and was a member of St. Paul AME Church in Morrilton.

She is survived by her daughter, Tracey (Tracy) Canady of Morrilton; son, Darryl Perry of Russellville; siblings, James (Laverne) Smith of Michigan, Toby Jennings of Atlanta, Georgia, Mabel Smith of Atlanta, Georgia, Caroline Smith of Texas, Joyce Smith of Morrilton, Connie Smith of Morrilton, Michael Smith of Atlanta, Georgia, Donnie Wayne Smith of Little Rock, and Veronique (Billy Jo) Evans of Springfield, Arkansas; grandchildren, Eric Williamson of Russellville, MacKenzie (Kyza) Williamson of California, Brittany Houser of Russellville, Christopher Cox of Russellville, Ceala Cox of Russellville, Atarra Canady of Morrilton, Dawnisha Canady of Conway, and Nylah Canady of Morrilton; seven great grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews. Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Jacquelyn Smith.

Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. Friday, May 11, 2018 with Rev. Bettie Tolefore and Rev. Leonard Shepherd officiating. Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jo Etta Smith Perry*

January 30, 2023 at 03:08 AM



“ *I will miss my friend, my sister in Christ, my roommate, my road dog, and go to person. I will miss you Jo but I find peace in knowing that your beautiful smile, your beautiful voice, and that loving personality is with the Lord!!??*

Carolyn Davie - June 29, 2018 at 05:00 PM



“ *We all lived on West Rock Street for a long time in a house once occupied by Jill Rall. I lived to the West of the Smith's. Jamie Gaston's house was in the middle and the school was across the street. The Smiths were a talented family of music. Toby was born playing the piano - truly she bore a gift from God of music and I believe the other family members were vocalist. The fact that you had two parents, brothers and sisers, and other relatives. was so admirable*

Margarette Ponds-Lewis-Banks - June 29, 2018 at 05:00 PM



“ *Jo was a force to be reckoned with, kindhearted, beautiful spirit, illness could not hold her down, she will be missed, keep smiling friend*

Peggy Pilgrim - June 29, 2018 at 05:00 PM

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“ *Jo Etta was my classmate and very good friend when I needed one in 9th and 10th grades. She understood my shyness and helped me with some difficult situations. I will truly miss her. Gone too soon.*

Brenda Nelson-Hollis - June 29, 2018 at 05:00 PM