



## Betty Lou Smither

January 22, 1933 - October 30, 2019

Frankfort – Betty Lou Smith Smither, age 86, passed away Wednesday, October 30, 2019. Services will be held at Immanuel Baptist Church on Monday, November 4, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Chuck Queen officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at Immanuel Baptist Church from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 3, 2019 and from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. service time on Monday.

Mrs. Smither was born in Frankfort, Kentucky, on January 22, 1933, to the late Lew Edward and Sophronia May Booth Smith. She retired from the Kentucky State Government after serving 30 years in the Governor's Office. A godly woman with a kind heart, she was a faithful member of Immanuel Baptist Church. She mostly enjoyed spending time with others, especially at the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, Sunday School Class, and with her 1951 Elkhorn High School classmates. Above all, she loved time spent with her family.

She is survived by her children, Lexie Southworth (Stevie), Pam Merrick (Bill), and Robert S. Smither, II (Stacey); brother, Gayle Smith; grandchildren, Stephanie Butler (Steve), Kendra Miller, Erica Galyon (Jason), Bethanie Butler (Daniel Redmon), Annamarie Smither, Jacqueline Smither, Sarah Smither, Mitchell Merrick, and Robert S. Smither, III; and great-grandchildren, Nicolas Miller, Julien Galyon, Sam Miller, Sophie Butler, Michaela Galyon, and

Braydon Galyon.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Robert Sargent Smither and siblings, Louise Goins, Edwin Scott Smith, James Lawrence Smith, George Smith, Beatrice Atha, Loretta Adams, and Paul Smith.

Serving as pallbearers will be her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Honorary pallbearers will be all of the Smith and Smither family nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the Bluegrass Hospice Care, Immanuel Baptist Church, or VFW Post 4075.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Gardens

3250 Versailles Road  
Versailles, KY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 3. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Immanuel Baptist Church  
1075 Collins Lane  
Frankfort, KY 40601

## Visitation

NOV 4. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Immanuel Baptist Church  
1075 Collins Lane  
Frankfort, KY 40601

## Service

NOV 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

Immanuel Baptist Church  
1075 Collins Lane  
Frankfort, KY 40601



# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty Lou Smither*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Ms. Betty. She was a wonderful person with a big smile. Always glad to see you with a big hug. She was just genuine, very warm and always hugged you. One of a kind! Pam (Gene) Cloyd.*

**Pam Cloyd** - November 05, 2019 at 02:13 PM



“ *Lexie Stevie Stephanie Sofie, Gary and our family would like you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers! I know how much you loved your mom and what a sweet lady she was! She will surely be missed! Love and miss you all ❤️🙏 Gary and Dale*

**Dale Hawk** - November 03, 2019 at 03:07 PM



“ *Thinking of the family with deepest sympathy. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Betty was a wonderful lady .*

**Ramona Ramey** - November 02, 2019 at 03:33 PM



“ *I can't imagine a better, more caring, Godly, loving person who knew how to make turkey gravy and oyster dressing like nobody else! My 2nd mother and mother-in-law.*

**Bill Merrick** - October 31, 2019 at 05:24 PM

LR

“ Lexie, pam & Robert, my family always felt like we were apart of your family when in the present of Betty. Loved sharing our time at the lake and out on our pontoons with her. A joy to be with. We will truly miss a GREAT lady.



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**Louise Roy** - October 31, 2019 at 04:41 PM

BK

“ What a kind and gentle woman. She will be greatly missed by everyone who knew her.

*Bill Kirkland*

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**Bill Kirkland** - October 31, 2019 at 02:28 PM

JO

“ Lexie, Pam and Bobby...Your Mom was one of a kind, she had the sweetest heart, and was such a caring person. She was loved by so many people. She always lit up when she talked about you, her grandchildren and great grandchildren...you all were her world. Every time I saw her she would say...well hello doll....it is so good to see you and give me the biggest smile and hug. Thank you for sharing your Mom, I will deeply miss her.

*Jackie*

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**Jackie Owens** - October 31, 2019 at 09:05 AM

KC

“ Lexie, Pam and Bobby ... I have prayed for your family so much in the last few weeks. I loved Betty so much and will really miss her. That sweet smile and all those hugs. She was a very special person. So many memories. Love y'all and thank you for sharing your mother with me.

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**Karen Casebier** - October 30, 2019 at 09:41 PM

SM

“ Betty was one of the nicest, friendliest and outstanding woman I have ever known. My sincerest condolences to her family! Prayers and love!  
Sandi Morris

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**Sandi Morris** - October 30, 2019 at 05:54 PM

LS

“ She will always have a special place in my heart. Her smile was contagious. ❤️

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**Lisa Smither** - October 30, 2019 at 04:13 PM

DB

“ Sending Love {{Hugs}} Peace & Prayers. So sorry to hear about Betty's passing. She was a wonderful lady. I never seen her out that she didn't give me a hug.

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**Debbie Brown** - October 30, 2019 at 03:38 PM

TS

“ *Betty Lou was definitely my favorite Aunt. She was always so gentle and kind. She will be missed by everyone she touched in her 86 years on this earth.*



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**Teresa Smither-Preston** - October 30, 2019 at 02:38 PM

RL

“ *Words are not enough to ease the deep sorrow of losing someone so dear to you. Betty Lou knew no stranger and always had a kind word for everyone. Our friendship for over 75 years has been a blessing to me. I hope this message will offer you some comfort through showing that others care and are thinking of you. God Bless, Reva*

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**Reva Lathrem** - October 30, 2019 at 12:33 PM