



## Patty Rice Smith

January 25, 1935 - January 10, 2019

Frankfort – Patty Rice Smith, age 83, passed away of natural causes surrounded by her family at her home on Thursday, January 10, 2019. Services will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Thursday, January 17, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Mike Butler and Bro. Gary Ellcessor officiating. Burial will follow at Frankfort Cemetery. The family will receive friends at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

Mrs. Smith was born in Frankfort on January 25, 1935, to the late Murray A. Wiard, Jr., and Margaret Lucille Stone Wiard. During her lifetime she worked at Brighton Engineering, Kentucky State Cabinet for Families and Children, and was an Office Manager for Dr. Mark Tussey. She was a passionate and life-long member of the Altrusa Club of Frankfort, where she held numerous offices and positions on both local and national levels. In addition, she was also a life member of Crestwood Baptist Church, where throughout her life, she served on several committees, taught Sunday School, worked in Vacation Bible School, and sang in the choir.

She is survived by her children, Jackie Taylor, Margaret Norton Robinson (David), and Carl Rice (Kathy); siblings, Tommy Wiard, Mary Whisman, and Susan Williams; sister-in-law, Patricia Thomas; step-daughters, Debra Agee (Ace) and Paula Smith (Melissa Nance); grandchildren, Jack Allen Norton (Melissa), Cristin Norton, Kayla Semones (Andrew), Cory Rice, Kelsey Rice, Lisa Dawson, and Chelsea Agee; great-grandchildren, Dylan Norton, Shelbie

Talson, Walker Norton, Charlotte Norton, Parker Dawson, Kimberlie Sageser, Taylor Semones, Joseph Semones, Mason Alexander, Mary Amber Robinson, David Robinson, Milla Dean, Taylor Dean, and Jaidyn Dean; and great-niece, Pam Phfister. She was also blessed with a host of family and friends who will miss her greatly.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husbands, Jack Rice and Paul Smith; grandson, Jason DeLong; and sons-in-law, Kenny Taylor and Walker F. Norton, Jr.

Serving as pallbearers will be Jack Norton, Cory Rice, Ira Linville, Dylan Norton, Richard Agee, Joseph Semones, and Ben Gilbert. Honorary pallbearers will be David Robinson, Kenny Taylor, Walker F. Norton, Jr., Tommy Wiard, Gene Roland, Rodney Murphy, Bryce Prothero, Andrew Semones, her great-grandchildren, Mark Turner, Crestwood Baptist Church Grace Sunday School Class, Members of the Altrusa Int. Club, Tyler Dean, Gayle Smith, and Danny Smith.

The family would like to thank her Crestwood Baptist Church family for all their prayers, cards, food and visits. The family would also like to thank Adeldia Lopez for all of her help and tireless efforts in helping care for our mother. Flowers are welcome, and expressions of sympathy may be made to Cure J.M. at [www.curejm.org](http://www.curejm.org) for Bug's Battle.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Frankfort Cemetery

215 East Main Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 227-2403

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **16**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home  
312 Washington Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 227-4526  
hbfh@harrodbrothers.com  
<https://www.harrodbrothers.com>

## Service

JAN **17**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home  
312 Washington Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Patty Rice Smith*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *I have been away on vacation, and just found out that Patty had passed away. I wanted to let you know how sorry I am, and wish I had been here for her funeral. She was such a wonderful person, very efficient, and I thought the world of her. I have known Patty for many years, and we have lost a very nice person.*

*Shirley J. Clark*

**Shirley J. Clark** - January 21, 2019 at 01:58 PM



“ *Red Poinsettia (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Patty Rice Smith.*



January 17, 2019 at 08:53 AM



“ *Thoughts & prayers for the family. ❤️ Heaven gained a grand, sweet lady.*



**Rhonda** - January 16, 2019 at 04:28 PM

SH

“ *My prayers and condolence to Patty's family*

*Steve Houpt*

Steve Houpt - January 16, 2019 at 08:58 AM



“ *62 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Harrod Brothers Funeral Home - January 14, 2019 at 03:52 PM

AP

“ *Ashwood Place lit a candle in memory of Patty Rice Smith*



Ashwood Place - January 14, 2019 at 10:22 AM

TR

“ *The Best Aunt,,I Love You very much and will miss you very much,,HEAVEN GAINED ANOTHER ANGEL FLY HIGH ,,I. LOVE YOU SO MUCH, TAMMY JO WIARD*

Tammy Jo ROSE - January 12, 2019 at 02:44 PM

PE

“ Carl and Cathy, my Condolences 🙏

*Lord:*

*Please Lay Patty Rice Smith's head, gently on the pillow of the bed of mortality.*

*Give her time to part benevolently from those that love her on this earth, to those of her congregation in Heaven.*

*May her wings of eternal Life be Sprouted, and seen in glory along the side of those family, friends and loved ones that passed on before her.*

*We will celebrate her life on earth, and will look forward as well, to one day, join her in the Lords Presence.*

*Her Shell of Mankind, has reached it's time, but her Soul, will live on forever and ever,  
Amen.*

*Poet Peter E.*

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**Poet Peter E.** - January 12, 2019 at 02:53 AM

KR

“ *The best darn Mom n Law anyone could ask for. Thirty two years ago she welcomed me into her family and when Carl and I got married two years later she didn't become my MIL... She became a dear friend, a second mom and the best example of what a Godly mother and Grandmother should be.*

*Her sweet smile and generous spirit will shine forever in my heart . I love you Patty,*

*Your favorite daughter in law 😊*

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**Kathy Rice** - January 11, 2019 at 09:10 PM

DG

*My condolences to Carl, yourself and all your family.*

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**Debbie Garrison** - January 12, 2019 at 01:21 PM

SW

*Patty I will miss you greatly, so many wonderful times and laughs we shared.*

*Sister Susan*

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**Susan Wiard Williams** - January 14, 2019 at 06:20 PM

MI

*Patty I will miss you and great person and wonderful time and laughs*

*Michelle Bailey*

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**Michelle** - January 17, 2019 at 03:34 PM