



## Denise Smith

March 15, 1957 - May 23, 2017

Denise Smith, 60 of Mays, passed away peacefully by the ones she loved on May 23, 2017. She was born on March 15, 1957 in Rushville, IN to Melvin and Mary Kay (Morgan) McDaniel DeHaven. Denise was a 1975 graduate from Rushville Consolidated High School. She married Douglas Smith on July 30, 1978 and he survives.

Denise worked for 25 years at the Carthage Paper Mill and then went on to Mays Elementary for 7 years as the Cafeteria Manager. She was an avid Colts fan and loved crafting, sewing and baking.

Denise is survived by her loving husband, Douglas Smith of Mays, mother, Mary Kay (Morgan) McDaniel DeHaven of Mays, children, Josh (Brooklyn) Smith of Greenfield, Shawna (Richard) Swincher of Knightstown, and Rashell Smith of Mays, 5 grandchildren, brothers, Randy (Anita) McDaniel of Mays and Kevin (Kelly) McDaniel of Brownsburg. She is also survived by her uncle, Bob (Shirley) Morgan, aunt, Janet Holloway, and nieces and nephews.

Denise is preceded in death by her loving father, Melvin McDaniel.

Services will be held on Friday, May 26, 2017 at 2 PM in Center Christian Church, 9112 North 50, Knightstown, IN 46148, with Pastor Tony Augsburger presiding. Friends are welcome to visit at the church from 10 AM until service. Burial will be in the Center Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **26.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Center Christian Church  
9112 N 50 W  
Knightstown, IN 46148  
(765) 645-5348

## Service

MAY **26.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Denise Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *I've had the honor of marrying Denise's daughter Shawna this past June. I've never imagined I would have a mother in law that I loved as much as her. Her daughter is just like her in so many ways and I am grateful for having the opportunity to be a part of her family. This family has been strong for each other, and I couldn't have been more proud and honored to call Denise my mother in law. My extended family is the best, and she would be very proud of how they have handled everything thus far, I am certain of it.*

**Richard Swincher** - May 26, 2017 at 06:48 AM



*Rashell, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. --Joni Burns*

**Joni Burns** - May 26, 2017 at 04:45 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Denise Smith .*



May 25, 2017 at 11:09 PM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Denise Smith .*



May 25, 2017 at 05:28 PM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Denise Smith .*



May 25, 2017 at 01:56 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise Smith .*



May 25, 2017 at 10:34 AM



“ *ANDY MOHR TRUCK CENTER SERVICE DEPARTMENT purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Denise Smith .*



**ANDY MOHR TRUCK CENTER SERVICE DEPARTMENT -**  
May 25, 2017 at 09:58 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise Smith .



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May 25, 2017 at 09:54 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise Smith .



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May 25, 2017 at 08:18 AM



“ Judy Case Hampton lit a candle in memory of Denise Smith



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**Judy Case Hampton** - May 24, 2017 at 09:35 PM

JH

“ I could write memories all night. Some would bore some of you, some would embarrass some of you and some would just make you laugh. My most favorite would be while we were in high school (last year I think). Going to all the ballgames with my second family. Going to the Durbin, there was a small dinner in New Castle, Denies, Kelvin and myself were at one day, I think I embarrassed Kelvin because I could not stop laughing. The trips to the Indy 500. Then our first apartment. Oh how life has changed. Thoughts and prayers for all the family and friends. Words cannot express my sadness, only knowing she is in a better place and is no longer in pain. Love you all, hugs, hugs

Judy Case Hampton - May 24, 2017 at 09:34 PM

JH

Denise Melvin, I just don't get automatic spell check

Judy Hampton - May 25, 2017 at 06:47 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise Smith .



May 24, 2017 at 08:52 PM

DS

“ Dee Dee Small lit a candle in memory of Denise Smith



Dee Dee Small - May 24, 2017 at 06:22 PM

RS

“ Rob And Sara Smith lit a candle in memory of Denise Smith



rob and sara smith - May 24, 2017 at 05:45 PM

BL

“ Beth & Steve Langston purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Denise Smith .



Beth & Steve Langston - May 24, 2017 at 05:40 PM

NE

“ i remember coming over to hang out. she was always sweet and nice!! never will forget her!



Nena - May 24, 2017 at 04:12 PM

JG

“ Jan N Gary lit a candle in memory of Denise Smith



jan n gary - May 24, 2017 at 04:09 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Denise Smith .*



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May 24, 2017 at 03:05 PM



“ *Louann Phares lit a candle in memory of Denise Smith*



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**Louann Phares** - May 24, 2017 at 02:09 PM