



## Obituary

**Born:** Saturday, June 12, 1948

**Died:** Thursday, August 27, 2020

Janet Aline Smith, age 88 of Pittsfield, IL passed away Thursday, August 27, 2020 at Griggsville Estates in Griggsville, IL. She was born October 21, 1931 to Alonzo and Gladys Norine (Kneeland) Ator in Griggsville, IL. She married the love of her life, Robert R. Smith, Sr. on June 12, 1948 in Denver, CO and he survives.

Janet attended Griggsville school and waitressed at a local restaurant before and after school. Janet also worked at various jobs including Pittsfield Sale Barn, The Hilltop Truck Stop Restaurant, concessions stand at the Pittsfield Speedway. She also worked side by side with her husband at S Bar H Western Wear Store, Smith Tire Company, and Best Systems Builders Her most favorite job was being homemaker and care-giver of her family.

## Service Summary

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**Celebration of Life to be held at a later date**

Location: - *Not available* -

Janet was a member of the United Methodist Church of Griggsville. After relocating in Pittsfield, she attended the United Methodist Church of Pittsfield, She truly enjoyed helping with their annual turkey dinner. She was a girl scout and a boy scout leader. Janet helped with many sports banquets throughout her children's lives. Janet always welcomed her children's friends and many of them called her "Mom" Janet was big into genealogy, loved poetry, was an avid reader, and enjoyed playing board games with her grandchildren. She enjoyed playing cards and was in her height of glory when she won! Janet's husband and family always came first. You were always welcomed in her home. She loved to cook and was always wanting to feed you even if you had just eaten a four course meal!

She hosted a big family dinner any chance she could and was famous for her cinnamon rolls. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren anxiously awaited their birthdays because they knew they would get some of her delicious oatmeal or sugar cookies.

She is survived by her loving husband of 72 years, Bob, Sr.; daughter, Robin Callihan of Griggsville, IL; sons, Bobby (Chris) Smith of Pittsfield, IL and Richard (Elaine) Smith of Pittsfield, IL; grandchildren, Lori Bradshaw, Tami McDonald, Todd Smith, Matt Smith, Michael Smith and Nikki Fish; great grandchildren, Brendan Bradshaw, Kaleb Bradshaw, Brady Taylor, Cara Taylor, Mason Bolton, Marlee Bolton, Madison Smith, Dae Lyn McDonald, Gavyn McDonald, Kayla Smith, Dalton Smith, Skyler Smith, Blade Smith, Jacob Smith, Ryan Smith, Frank Smith, Olivia Smith, Isabel Smith, Silas Smith, Caroline Smith, Gabi Fish and Jackson Fish; and sister, Jennifer Butler of Panama City, FL.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents, Alonzo and Gladys Ator; daughter, Barbara Smith; grandchildren, Angie Taylor, Heather Callihan, Grace McDonald and Gabe Smith; sons in law, Terry Callihan and Gearold Smith; sister, JoAnn Heidbreder; brothers in law, Hal Heidbreder and Keith Smith; and sister in law, Darlene Smith.

Per Janet's wishes, cremation rites have been accorded and a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the Griggsville Estates or the West Cemetery of Pittsfield, Illinois. Niebur Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be left at [www.nieburfh.com](http://www.nieburfh.com)