



Mary B. Smythe

January 6, 1922 - January 23, 2019

Mary B. Smythe, 97 of Zanesville, died at 9:05 p.m., Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at Adams Lane Care Center following a lengthy illness. She was born Friday, January 6, 1922 in Zanesville, the daughter of John and Mary (Euman) Hanifan. She married Paul K. "Kenny" Smythe on Tuesday, April 17, 1973. She was previously married to Marion H. Mercer who was killed in action during WWII. Mary was a member of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. Mary worked many years for AT&T in Columbus and at Terry's Tavern. She was a member of the American Legion Aux. Post 29 and the VFW Aux. Post 1058. She was a kind, caring person who lit up a room whenever she walked in. She loved to dance to any kind of music and did any time she could. She loved gardening and working with her flowers at her home on Ball St. every Spring and Summer. She crocheted many afghans and they can still be found in the homes of numerous family members.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Donna Jean (Jim) Earhart of San Francisco and son Joseph (Connie) Rudisell of the Philippines; granddaughter, Katharine (John) Batcheller and grandson Rob (Gregoire Galperine) Earhart and great-grandsons, Jack & Brett Batcheller.

Also surviving are sisters Helen Mercer, Julia Ginikos, Jo Davis and Velma (Dan) Linscott all of Zanesville and June (George) Carr of Defiance and nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

In addition to her parents, Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Kenny Smythe who died May 4, 1994 and Marion Mercer who died November

24, 1943, siblings; John T. Hanifan, Albert S. Hanifan, Suzann E. Hanifan, Frank Hanifan and infant David Hanifan. Also brothers-in-law: Don Mercer, Markos Ginikos and Darrell Davis

Family and friends may call from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at the Hillis, Combs and Nestor Funeral Home, 935 Forest, Zanesville. Funeral Mass will follow at 11:30 a.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 144 N. Fifth Street, Zanesville with Fr. Thomas Kumau as celebrant. Mary will be laid to rest beside her beloved husband, Kenny, in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. To sign the online register book or to send a personal condolence note, please visit [www. Hilliscombsnestor.com](http://www.Hilliscombsnestor.com)

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemtery

1676 West Main Street
Zanesville, OH 43701

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **29**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Hillis Combs Funeral Home
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Zanesville, OH 43701
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Funeral Mass

JAN **29**. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
144 North Fifth Street
Zanesville, OH 43701

Tribute Wall



“ *Hillis Combs Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary B. Smythe*



Hillis Combs Funeral Home - January 29, 2019 at 02:19 PM



“ *Mary B. Smythe*

October 06, 2023 at 04:22 AM



“ *3 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Hillis Combs Funeral Home - January 29, 2019 at 01:03 PM



“ *Julia, Jo, Helen and Velma.*

So sorry for you loss. I had the pleasure of taking care of Suzy, and Mary at ALCC, and I will always treasure that. In my years there, you were one of a kind family. So supportive and coming in loyal to see your loved ones. They knew they were truly loved by all of " the sisters", that's what I always called ya . I will never forget you and the love you showed them and the staff. Mary is now with Suzy and her family that has gone before her. Love you all. Linda.

Linda Beach - January 27, 2019 at 08:52 PM

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“ *I had the privilege of meeting Mary at Kroger pharmacy. I was a tech there and it was always an honor to wait on Mary, Julia and Helen. They always lifted my spirits. I'm so sad to hear of your loss. I honestly love them. Ramonda williams*

ramonda williams - January 26, 2019 at 12:05 PM



We so appreciate this. How kind of you to say.

Alyssa Ginikos - January 26, 2019 at 12:46 PM

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God bless all of you at this difficult time .She is no longer in pain and she is now with her family in Heaven.I remember her from our family reunions every August always very happy and so sweet. I miss those reunions we had such a good time. Love and prayers to all. Your cousin Virginia McLean Tomolillo

virginia McLean Tomolillo - January 29, 2019 at 11:04 AM