



Vanita Smith

September 13, 1961 - March 28, 2007

Vanita Kay Smith, 45, of Huntsville, Texas was born September 13, 1961 and passed away on Friday, March 23, 2007. She was the daughter of Mary Jo and the late Roy Botard of Huntsville, Texas. She is survived by husband, Darrell Smith; mother, Mary Jo Botard; sister, Debra and husband Kelly Sims; brother, Roy and wife Kelly Botard; and nephews, Geren and Luke Sims, Trey Botard; Nieces, Holly, and Whitney Botard, all of Huntsville. She is also survived by son in-law, Roger Johns Jr. and grandchildren Darrell and Debra Johns of Magnus, Arkansas; Nieces, Lona Dove, Donna Hobbs, and nephew, Gary Steinbecker, all of the Centerville area. Also many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by father, Roy Botard; daughter, Barbara Johns and nephew, Micah Sims. Vanita was a lifetime resident of Huntsville, a graduate of Huntsville High, trained in floral design at TSTI. She worked with floral design and owned a shop in Huntsville. Even after she no longer officially designed flowers, she volunteered to create floral arrangements for family and friends. She was proud of her career as an EMT and then her succession to a paramedic with UTMB. Given her educational achievements, her life was defined by her dedication to her family and friends. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, March 27, 2007 from 6:00-8:00p.m. and funeral services are scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Blackjack Cemetery. Donations can be made to the Risk Behavior Awareness for Youth at First State Bank -P.O. Box 478 -

Huntsville, Texas 77342. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Vanita Smith*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



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Brenda Thaxton - April 10, 2007 at 12:04 PM



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Brenda Thaxton - April 10, 2007 at 12:02 PM



“ *Mrs. Botard, Roy, Debra and Family: There are just no words to adequately express my heartfelt sadness for each of you. I remember Vanita especially as a little girl when I, my sisters, and brother babysat in Houston so many years ago. What a joyful and fun little girl! Praise God that her death shall be swallowed up in Victory. My prayer for you is that God's tenderness, peace and mercy shall be lavishly poured in your hearts each day for strength and comfort. "Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted." (Matthew 5:4)*

Janice (Joiner) Willett - April 02, 2007 at 05:38 PM

KP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Vanita and I were classmates In High School. She was a special person with a good heart. May God help you through this difficult period in your life. Remember he needed another angel up there to help guide all of us here on earth. May God bless all of you.

Sincerely,

Kim Bonvillion Patton

Kim Bonvillion Patton - March 31, 2007 at 11:10 AM

NJ

“ Mrs. Botard, so very sorry about Vanita. Please tell Debra and Kelly and the rest of the family. Norma Dell Jones of Lovelady.

Norma Dell & Jerry D. Jones - March 29, 2007 at 07:51 PM

WP

“ Mrs. Botard, we are so sorry for the loss of your daughter. You are in our prayers. Please accept our sympathy.

Wayne & Debbie Pool - March 28, 2007 at 07:33 PM

RG

“ I'm very sorry to hear of Vanita's death. We attended highschool together. I'm remember what a great personality she had and always made people smile. May God Bless the family.

Robbie Miller Ginsel - March 28, 2007 at 12:53 PM

EO

“ Dear Mrs. Board and Family,
You have our sincere sympathy on the death of your family member. Vanita was a one of my biology students at HHS. She was a loving person. You are in our prayers and remember that easth has no sorrows that heaven cannot heal.

Edward & Hattye Owens - March 28, 2007 at 12:23 PM

ME

“ My deepest sympathy and condolences to husband, Darrell Smith, mother, Mary Jo Botard, sister, Debra Sims, brother, Roy Botard Jr., and their families.

In memory of beautiful VANITA who brightened every heart she touched.

*Sincerely,
Mary Ann Eichman*

Mary Ann Eichman - March 28, 2007 at 11:29 AM

RM

“ I'm so sorry to here of the loss of Vanita. We attened school together. She was a wonderful person with a beautiful smile. Please know you are in my prayers and thoughts.

Rhonda Mckee Mauldin

Rhonda McKee Mauldin - March 28, 2007 at 08:31 AM

JE

“ I was very sad to hear of Vanita's passing. I grew up with Vanita in Huntsville.

She always knew how to love people unconditionally.

She is a beautiful soul! She will be sorely missed!

God Bless,

Jon

Jon Eastman - March 27, 2007 at 06:52 PM

DM

“ Our family will keep you in our prayers and thoughts. We are so sorry to learn of Vanita's death.

Love,

Don, Sissy, Caleb and Callen McLaughlin

Don and Arlena McLaughlin - March 27, 2007 at 06:51 PM

MJ

“ i am carolyn renfroes niece, i was a good friend of barbara's. I recently found out about your loss and would like to send my condolences to your family.

melissa jackson - March 27, 2007 at 12:53 PM

EH

“ I was saddened to hear of Vanita's death. My family and I are praying for the love of God to surround and give all of you strength to face this loss in your lives.

Love,

Emma and James Hold

Emma Decker Hold - March 24, 2007 at 04:32 PM