

Rosalie V. Smith

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GARRATTSVILLE/CLIFTON PARK _ Rosalie V. Smith, 81, died peacefully in Clifton Park on Monday, Sept. 29, 2008.

She was born April 2, 1927, in Garrattsville, the daughter of Leon F. and Avis L. (Harris) Backus.

She married Philip A. Smith on Aug. 10, 1952. He predeceased her Feb. 8, 1995.

Rosalie was raised and lived most of her life in the immediate vicinity of Garrattsville. She had a passion for local history and her families' genealogy. She published two books that contain historical information on Garrattsville and New Lisbon. Both are wonderful resources for those towns. In addition, Rosalie wrote a local interest column for the New Berlin Gazette for many years and assisted her husband, the postmaster, in the Garrattsville Post Office.

Rosalie was also a talented weaver, and many have cherished these wonderful gifts. She also enjoyed needlework and knitting.

Rosalie loved her family and being surrounded by them.

She is survived by her children, Gloria (Scott) Dougrey of Clifton Park, Joyce (Timothy) Loomis of Scranton, Pa., Duke (Aida) Smith of Acworth, Ga., Mark (Susan) Smith and Roy Smith of Aurora, Mo.; 16 grandchildren;

and several great-grandchildren.

One son, Victor Smith, predeceased her March 15, 2008.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008, at the Houk-Johnston-Terry Funeral Home, Edmeston, with Pastor Jay Henderson officiating.

Interment will be in Arlington Cemetery.

Memorial contributions in memory of Rosalie may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301.

Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.hjtfuneralhome.com.

Funeral arrangements are by the Houk-Johnston-Terry Funeral Home, Edmeston.

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