



Karen Smith

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Memorial Services to celebrate the life of Karen J. Smith, 79, of Clinton, will be held at 6:00pm, Monday, June 29, 2015 at the Clinton Chapel Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes & Crematory. The family will greet friends from 4:00pm to the service time Monday at the funeral home. Per her wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. Mrs. Smith died peacefully at her home on Friday, June 26, 2015.

Karen was born on December 14, 1935 in Clinton, Iowa, the daughter of Wilfred and Erma (Dierksen) Hopkins. She graduated from Clinton High School. She was sometimes a stay at home mom, worked at Northwestern Bell, Nielsen Clearing House, Champion Packaging, and eventually retired from Lamson and Sessions (Carlton).

She was an avid reader, finding the freedom to explore many new authors and genres when she began using an e-reader. She loved birds, butterflies and collecting thimbles. Jigsaw and word puzzles were also a passion, but what she loved most was her family and spending time with them. She was strong, loving, generous and compassionate, and would go without so that others would not.

Survivors include her daughter Betsy (Scott) Smith of Clinton, her son: Pat (Tracy) Hoffman of Clinton, her step-son: Joel Leslie of Walcott, Iowa; eight grandchildren: Amanda Deuermeyer, Katie Dykstra, Andrew (Amanda) Smith, Tim (Heather) Hoffman, Rebecca Hoffman, Nick Jewell, David Dalton, and Joshua Dalton; 12 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild with two on the way; brothers: David Hopkins of Clinton, and Robert Hopkins of Florida, aunts, uncles and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother: Keith Hopkins, sisters-in-law: Mary Jane Hopkins and Myrna Hopkins.

The family would like to thank all who cared for her these past months. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mercy Home Care, Mercy Hospice, or the family.



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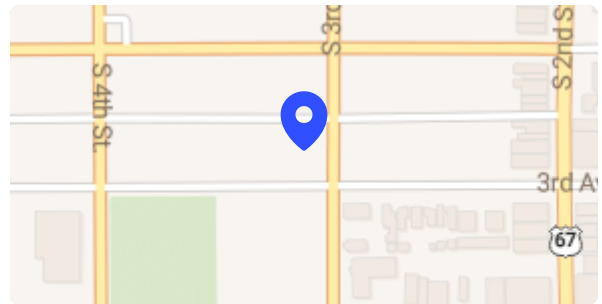
Visitation

 **Monday**, June 29, 2015

 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM CT

 **Snell-Zornig Funeral Home & Crematory,
Clinton**


302 Third Avenue South, Clinton IA 52732



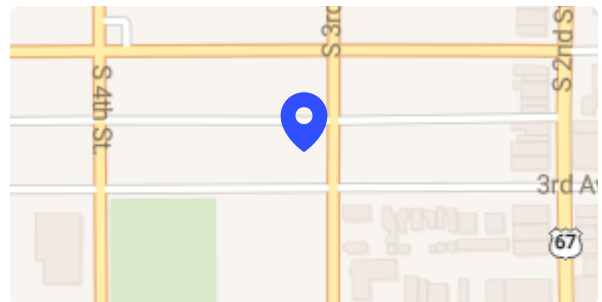
Service

 **Monday**, June 29, 2015

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SN

Sally Niebuhr posted:

Thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love you all. Spent many hours with Karen and Betty and Grandma Preston playing games and doing puzzles. love and miss them all.

June 29 at 12:16 PM

SN

Sally Niebuhr lit a candle in honor of Karen.



June 29 at 12:13 PM

SN

Sally Niebuhr sent a virtual gift in honor of Karen.



June 29 at 12:12 PM

MB

Michael Bell posted:

Amanda I am sorry to hear about the passing of your grandma. I had been praying for you and the family in these past weeks. I'm praying for the love and grace of God to be a comfort and strength to you in your time of loss. Thinking of you and the family during this time. Michael Bell

June 27 at 4:21 PM

MR

Mary Robbins posted:

I worked with Karen for many years at Carlon, and she was truly a kind, gentle, loving and helpful person; one of the people that it was always a pleasure to work near and always had an encouraging word or helpful hand. It was a privilege to have known her.

June 27 at 9:30 AM



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Amanda Hopkins-Deuermeyer lit a candle in honor of Karen.

Grandma, you brought love and joy to so many people. I don't know that I have ever met anyone caring of others than you. I'm going to miss you so much. I am finding comfort in knowing that you are with Jesus and watching down on all of us with a big smile on your face. You are loved so much more than you could ever know.

June 26 at 3:34 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Karen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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