



Ruth Ann Smith

December 19, 1943 - September 3, 2026

Ruth Ann Smith, of Easton, passed away on Thursday, September 3, 2026. She was 82.

Born on December 19, 1943, in Ridgely, she was the daughter of the later Otis and Mary Crouse Wharton. She was a graduate of North Caroline High School, Class of 1961.

Ruth Ann worked for the United States Postal Service from 1970 to 1983. In 1986, she moved to Golden, Colorado, where she served as an office manager for Coldwell Banker in Lakewood. She later lived in Carlsbad and San Diego, California, and worked as a receptionist for The Manchester Group in La Jolla and San Diego. After returning to the Eastern Shore, she worked for many years as an office administrator at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, serving its Easton and Centreville locations.

She is survived by her children, a daughter, Heidi L. Smith, and her husband, Marty, of Camden, DE, and son, Shawn A. Sparks, and his wife, Martha, of Easton, MD. She is also survived by five grandchildren, Megan Smith, Kyle Smith, Mary Kate Fountain, Jenna Sparks and Levi Sparks, and four great-grandchildren, Finley Halcro, Carter Chase, Layton Smith, and Jett Johnson. She is also survived by her brothers, Herman Wharton, of Nottingham, PA and Wayne Wharton, of West Grove, PA.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Burial will be private.

Donations made in her memory are suggested to a charity of your choice,

child abuse prevention and support programs.

For online condolence, please visit: www.fhnfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

JM

“ Jeff Morris lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ann Smith



Jeff Morris - 1 hour ago

BR

“ Sincere condolences .



Betsy Dyott Roe - 4 hours ago

JC

“ June Clark lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ann Smith



June Clark - Yesterday at 10:05 PM

JC

I work with Ruth Ann in Centreville funeral home i found her to be a wonderful person to work with. Rip my friend

June Clark - Yesterday at 10:10 PM

RH

“ ✨ *My very deepest condolences, dearest Heidi*
Huge Hug
Rhonda Riggelman Corder

Rhonda - Yesterday at 09:35 PM

HW

“ *She was a great conversationalist about recipes and books. Many phone calls were about our latest*

Herman Wharton - Yesterday at 08:39 PM

HW

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Herman Wharton - Yesterday at 08:35 PM

HW

“ *Herman Wharton lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ann Smith*



Herman Wharton - Yesterday at 08:33 PM