



## Ione Rawls Smith

January 3, 1919 - April 22, 2010

Ione Rawls Smith, age 91, of Orlinda, passed away Thursday, April 22, 2010 at her home with her children present. Funeral services will be held Monday, April 26, 2010 at 2pm at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church with Reverend Carole Ann Rawls, Brother Chad Beck, and Stephen Dorris officiating. Burial will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery with Tommy Moon, Terry Black, Don Adkins, Chuck Boyd, Johnny Rawls, Clint Tate, Doug Morgan, and Roger Goostree serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Don Murphy, Davis Tate, Tony Austin, Bobby Farmer, James Albert Holmes, Claude Groves, Jeff Goostree, and Philip Goostree. Visitation will be held Sunday, April 25, 2010 from 2-7pm at Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield and again Monday afternoon at the church from 1pm until the hour of service. Mrs. Smith was born January 3, 1919 in Robertson County to the late Frank and Edna Cobbs Rawls. She graduated from Bell High School with Honors, from Austin Peay, and Peabody College majoring in English and Education. She moved to the First District in Northeast Robertson County to teach at Highland School in 1941. While there in 1943 she met and married local farmer Stephen M. Smith and remained on the family farm the remainder of her life. She, along with her husband, was politically active in Robertson County. Mrs. Smith was an avid quilter, reader, and UT Fan. She was a Sunday School Teacher, Bible School Teacher and member of the GA and YMU. Activities she enjoyed included being a teacher in Robertson County for over 30 years. She was a lifetime member of the National Education Association and

member of the Robertson County Retired Teachers Association. She served as President of the Home Demonstration Club and was a member of the WMU at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church where she was a member for over 60 years. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Smith is preceded in death by her husband, Steve Smith; grandson, Patrick Panter; brothers, Marvin Rawls and Ray Rawls; sisters, Elizabeth Adkins and Betty Boyd. She is survived by her daughters, Frances (and, special son-in-law, John Ray) Dorris of Nashville, Pat Smith of Nashville and Susan Smith of Orlinda; grandchildren, Lyn Dorris, Johnny (Sharon) Dorris and Stephen (Becca) Dorris; and great-grandchildren, Jay Dorris and Laura Dorris. brother, Wendell Rawls of Chattanooga; sister, Ann Moon of Goodlettsville; brother-in-law, Jack Boyd of Terre Haute, IN; nieces by marriage, Dorothy Tinsler of Biloxi, MS and Gertrude Loveall of Martin, TN. Mrs. Smith is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and cousins who will miss her very much and will miss her creamed corn at family reunions. The family requests memorial contributions be made to the Pleasant Hill Memorial Fund in c/o Austin & Bell. Austin & Bell Funeral Home is in charge of these arrangements. [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com) AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME-SPRINGFIELD, TN (615) 384-1000

# Tribute Wall

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“ I met Ms. Ione through my grandparents, Don and Peggy Murphy, who just thought the world of her. She was such a sweet person, and I enjoyed the times I was able to speak with her. I could tell she'd had a full, rich, and happy life. I know she was a very respected member of her community who contributed greatly to it. She will be missed by so many. My deep condolences to her family.

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**Lyn Branham** - April 25, 2010 at 03:43 PM

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“ Pat, Francis, and Susan, Please be comforted in knowing that your mother had a personal relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and is resting in peace. It was my honor to get to know your mother. She had a wonderful sense of humor. However, what I really loved about her was her expressions of love for God and her family. My prayers are with you. Blessings, Marie

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**Rev. Marie C. King** - April 25, 2010 at 12:54 AM

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“ Francis, Pat, Susan, & families: What a sweet person you've lost. We remember her gentle, calm determination. I'm glad we were able to see her in Feb. Hug each other & know we're thinking about you all. Sure hope she passed along her corn recipe to one of you! Love, Jerry, Claudia, & family

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**Jerry, Claudia & family** - April 24, 2010 at 10:42 AM