



Debbie Garrett Smith

June 5, 1962 - December 30, 2018

Debbie Garrett Smith, of Bowdon, Georgia, passed away on December 30, 2018. She was 56.

Debbie was born on June 5, 1962 to the late Ray and Joy Garrett. She was retired from Carroll County Board of Education where she had worked as a teacher at Bowdon Elementary School. The number of lives she impacted is countless, and will forever be remembered in this community. She was a member of Bowdon First United Methodist Church since a child and recently rededicated her life to the Lord through baptism in September of this year. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Laura Garrett Bailey.

She is survived by Jeff Smith; her daughters and sons-in-law, Allison and Craig Robinson and Anna and Sam Albright; her grandchildren, Cassie Robinson, Carson Robinson, Carlie Robinson, Claire Robinson, Garrett Robinson, Ellis Albright, and Everett Albright; and her brothers and sisters-in-law, Alan and Suzanne Garrett and Andy and Hope Garrett. She lived for her family, and especially enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. Days spent with "Big Mama" were filled with story-telling, building forts, cooking her favorite meals, outside adventures, and most importantly using imagination. These memories will forever be cherished so deeply in our hearts. Her contagious smile and laughter could brighten anyone's day. To know Debbie Garrett Smith was to love her. Her legacy will live on through her family and this community for years to come.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, January 5, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Bowdon First United Methodist Church. Bro. Brian Smith will officiate. Music will be provided by Lisa Sheffield and Ginnie Prater. Pallbearers will be Chris Smith, Lanny Smith, Dusty Smith, Brandon Garrett, Drew Garrett, and Carson Robinson. Honorary pallbearers will be the Bowdon High School Class of 1980 and Debbie's friends and fellow teachers from Bowdon Elementary School. Interment will follow at Garrett's Chapel Methodist Church. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday, January 4, 2019 from 4:00 till 7:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Garrett's Chapel Cemetery

4700 State Line Road
Bowdon, GA 30108

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rainwater Funeral Home
317 North Carroll Street
Bowdon, GA 30108
(770) 258-7239
info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com
<https://www.rainwaterfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

JAN 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bowdon First Methodist Church
302 Wedowee Street
Bowdon, GA 30108

Tribute Wall

CT

“ *Charlene Tigner lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Charlene Tigner - January 05, 2019 at 01:24 AM

BS

“ *Barry Snow lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Barry Snow - January 04, 2019 at 08:40 PM

PG

“ *Penny Lovvorn Green lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Penny Lovvorn Green - January 04, 2019 at 07:24 PM

LF

“ *LaDonna Newell Fryar lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



LaDonna Newell Fryar - January 04, 2019 at 07:20 PM

LN

“ *Lavoyne Newell lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Lavoyne Newell - January 04, 2019 at 07:14 PM

JL

“ *Sincere condolences from The League family. We have fond memories of Debbie. She was a shining light. You're all in our thoughts and prayers.*



Johnny League - January 04, 2019 at 05:59 PM

GR

“ *I'll always remember Debbie's smile and her love for her children and grandchildren. I am so sorry for what you all are going through. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*
Gisela Roberts

Gisela Roberts - January 04, 2019 at 05:10 PM

JS

“ *Jody & Tammy Stitcher lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Jody & Tammy Stitcher - January 04, 2019 at 02:31 PM

JS

Our hearts go out to the family. Thinking of you and praying for comfort.

Jody and Tammy Stitcher - January 04, 2019 at 02:35 PM

KD

“ *Kay Williams Driver lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Kay Williams Driver - January 04, 2019 at 01:38 PM

SE

“ *I'll always remember these children who met me at the mailbox almost daily when I was their carrier.....all so sweet.....so sorry for your loss.....may God ease your heartbreak.*
Sue Eason

Sue Eason - January 04, 2019 at 01:32 PM



“ *Debbie will be truly missed everyday by everyone! She always made me smile when I needed it! A true loving and giving soul who lit up any room she walked into!! Rest easy, my sweet, beautiful friend, until we meet again....*



Tisha Frisby - January 04, 2019 at 12:53 PM

SS

“ Sullivan Billy & Sue lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Sullivan Billy & Sue - January 04, 2019 at 12:31 PM



“ Mike And Lee Haynes lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Mike and Lee Haynes - January 04, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ 43 files added to the album LifeTributes



Rainwater Funeral Home - January 04, 2019 at 10:16 AM

JA

“ I will never forget you, Debbie. See you at the feet of Jesus.

Jan - January 04, 2019 at 06:20 AM

AW

“ *Amy Wiggins sent a virtual gift in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith*



Amy Wiggins - January 03, 2019 at 11:14 PM

DH

“ *Donnie Teresa Hyatt lit a candle in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith*



Donnie Teresa Hyatt - January 03, 2019 at 08:58 PM

SS

“ *Sullivan Billy & Sue lit a candle in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith*



Sullivan Billy & Sue - January 03, 2019 at 08:45 PM

RL

“ *Rhonda Lawler lit a candle in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith*



Rhonda Lawler - January 03, 2019 at 08:24 PM

JB

“ We are so sorry ,for your loss; We'll keep praying for comfort; God is here to, support your every need.

Mrs. Josie O'Hara- Brown

Josie L. Brown - January 03, 2019 at 08:15 PM

DS

“ Dana Bradley Simpson lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Dana Bradley Simpson - January 03, 2019 at 05:52 PM

KJ

“ Kathleen Thurman Jones lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Kathleen Thurman Jones - January 03, 2019 at 05:16 PM

LO

“ My dear friend. You will forever remain in my heart. I love you. Prayers for family.



Linda Yates Ogletree - January 03, 2019 at 02:16 PM

MM

“ So sorry for your loss. May God give you comfort and peace.



Martha Morrison - January 03, 2019 at 01:27 PM

LF

“ Lynn Farmer lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Lynn Farmer - January 03, 2019 at 11:39 AM

JH

“ Praying for you all!



Jessica Hanson - January 03, 2019 at 11:19 AM

SH

“ Suzanne Horton lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Suzanne Horton - January 03, 2019 at 10:23 AM

SH

My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Debbie was such a beautiful person and always had the biggest smile for each and every person she came in contact with. She was a pleasure to be friends with in school. Always had a kind word for you when she came in contact with you. She will be missed by so many people. Love & (((hugs)))

Suzanne Horton - January 03, 2019 at 10:27 AM

SS

“ Love and prayers for the family.



Sandra Stitcher - January 03, 2019 at 08:19 AM

KT

“ Karen Timms lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Karen timms - January 03, 2019 at 07:17 AM



“ Mark AndTeena Vise Lowery lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Mark AndTeena Vise Lowery - January 03, 2019 at 06:58 AM



“ *Kay Stogner Smith lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Kay Stogner Smith - January 03, 2019 at 01:03 AM



“ *We love you, Allison and family! Prayers for peace and comfort during this tremendous loss in your life.*



JASON, TIFFANIE, JAYSE, JASPER, & JOANNA - January 03, 2019 at 12:53 AM



“ *Susan Ackles lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Susan Ackles - January 02, 2019 at 10:28 PM



“ *Susan McCaghren Gibbs lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Susan McCaghren Gibbs - January 02, 2019 at 10:23 PM

VC

“ Prayers for the family. Debbie will be missed.



vicki cowart - January 02, 2019 at 09:36 PM

CR

“ Bless you all! One of my favorite memories of Debbie deals with the funny little "gas" thing she used to hide in her pocket. She would come up to me with a straight face and begin a conversation. She would then press the button or whatever and apologize saying she just ate beans and had gas. This continued for a minute or so at which time we would both be laughing so hard our sides hurt. Please remember her love, joy, and laughter she shared with all she came into contact! Our prayers are with you all!!!

Connie Jones Ross - January 02, 2019 at 09:15 PM

AW

“ Ann Wheeler sent a virtual gift in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Ann Wheeler - January 02, 2019 at 08:18 PM

AW

“ Prayers going out to all Debbie's family and friends



Ann Wheeler - January 02, 2019 at 08:18 PM

CP

“ Chris Payton sent a virtual gift in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Chris Payton - January 02, 2019 at 07:34 PM

SG

“ I will always remember your laugh and your wonderful imagination! Thank you for leading me back to my Bible. I love you dearly.

Susan B Garrett - January 02, 2019 at 05:52 PM

DB

“ I remember Debbie fondly. She had such a wonderfully, kind and joyful heart. We shared a lot of laughs. She will be missed by many. Prayers for the family during such a sad time.

Dawn Harman Bennett - January 02, 2019 at 05:09 PM

SC

“ So heartbreaking to hear about your mom. I enjoyed working with her at Bowdon Elementary School. She was a very special lady. God Bless You.

Sandy Chambers - January 02, 2019 at 05:00 PM

JR

“ Justin And Laurie Rollins lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Justin and Laurie Rollins - January 02, 2019 at 04:57 PM

MH

“ Monica Henry lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Monica Henry - January 02, 2019 at 04:17 PM

ST

“ Prayers for the family and friends of Debbie G. Smith. I graduated from Bowdon with her and I cannot remember one time that she didn't have a smile on her face. She was a light to be around. Rest in Peace my friend.

Secelia Walker Tolbert

Secelia Walker Tolbert - January 02, 2019 at 04:00 PM

DO

“ My condolences and prayers for the family.



Donna - January 02, 2019 at 03:58 PM

AI

“ Anita Barrett Igou lit a candle in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith



Anita Barrett Igou - January 02, 2019 at 03:08 PM

SI

“ Sheila InmanOliver lit a candle in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith



Sheila InmanOliver - January 02, 2019 at 02:34 PM

NM

“ Ms. Debbie holds a special place in our
hearts. Beautiful soul, God bless each other
you.



NINA MCDANIEL - January 02, 2019 at 11:46 AM

NM

“ NINA MCDANIEL lit a candle in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith



NINA MCDANIEL - January 02, 2019 at 11:43 AM

DC

“ *Dottie Cavender lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Dottie Cavender - January 02, 2019 at 11:31 AM

BL

“ *Bart Loftin lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Bart Loftin - January 02, 2019 at 10:48 AM

PF

“ *Presnal Family lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith*



Presnal family - January 02, 2019 at 09:15 AM

RW

“ *Thoughts and prayers for Debbie's family. Mark & Renee Williams*



Renee Williams - January 02, 2019 at 07:42 AM

RJ

“ Randy Johnson lit a candle in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith



Randy Johnson - January 02, 2019 at 12:20 AM

PA

“ Patty Akin lit a candle in memory of Debbie
Garrett Smith



Patty Akin - January 01, 2019 at 09:37 PM

PH

“ Paula Hall lit a candle in memory of Debbie
Garrett Smith



Paula Hall - January 01, 2019 at 09:24 PM

 Sonya
Rollins

“ I will never forget our teaching days together at BES! I will always
remember your beautiful smile and laughter. I love you! Rest in
peace with Jesus. I will see you on the other side. Prayers for the
family.

Sonya Rollins - January 01, 2019 at 08:51 PM

Sonya Rollins

“ Sonya Rollins lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Sonya Rollins - January 01, 2019 at 08:49 PM



“ Praying for the entire family...such a beautiful soul who will be missed!!!

Laura Kight - January 01, 2019 at 08:34 PM

RJ

“ Randy JOHNSON lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Randy JOHNSON - January 01, 2019 at 07:47 PM

RJ

“ Randy JOHNSON lit a candle in memory of Debbie Garrett Smith



Randy JOHNSON - January 01, 2019 at 07:35 PM

RJ

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Debbie Garrett Smith



Randy JOHNSON - January 01, 2019 at 07:31 PM

RJ

“ Randy JOHNSON lit a candle in memory of
Debbie Garrett Smith



Randy JOHNSON - January 01, 2019 at 07:27 PM

JS

“ Debbie always had us laughing at school. She was a great mom to
her girls and a loving Big Mama to her precious grandchildren. She
touched many lives and will be missed.

Jan Stitcher - January 01, 2019 at 02:32 PM