



## Debra Debbie Smith

November 2, 1959 - August 17, 2023

Debra “Debbie” Smith, 63, of Centralia, passed away Thursday, August 17, 2023.

Debbie was born November 2, 1959 in Tamaroa, IL, the daughter of Jim Skurat and Rosemary (Whipple) Skurat.

Debbie is survived by her son, U.S. Marine Ronnie Laughhunn of St. Robert, MO and fiancé Cathi Eich of Reutlingen, Germany; daughter Angie Alton and special friend Blake of Centralia; brothers Louie Skurat and Laura of Tamaroa, Chester Skurat and fiancée Krystal Marcum of Centralia; sisters Brenda Skurat of Irvington, Jerrie Rohrscheib and Jimmy of Arkansas; grandchildren Robert Ray, Tanner Alton, Rory Alton; and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents Jim Skurat and Rosemary Skurat; brother William Skurat; and granddaughter Candice Ray.

Debbie was a carefree spirit, who enjoyed life with her son Ronnie and her daughter Angie. She enjoyed spending time with her doggie outlaw. She enjoyed visiting the winery with her daughter. She enjoyed many good laughs with her son and cooking together. She enjoyed walking and enjoyed the sights of nature. She loved all her grandkids and enjoyed spending time with them. She was pure at heart and loved to meet new people and socialize with

many different people.

A visitation for Debra "Debbie" Smith will take place on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Centralia from 9:00 to 10:00am with a Mass of Christian Burial to follow at 10:00am at St. Mary Catholic Church with Monsignor David Darin officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Evergreen Cemetery in Central City. In memory of Debra, memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and can be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore Street, Centralia, IL 62801, who is honored to be of service to the Smith family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com) or the Funeral Home's Facebook page.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **23**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM.

St. Mary Church

## Funeral Mass

AUG **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

St. Mary Church

# Tribute Wall

BG

“ It has saddens my heart that Debbie has left us. She was such a positive person and full of energy. She called me a few weeks ago and asked me to come to the hospital and I did. We talked and laughed for awhile about stuff and she was in good spirits. She was such a fighter!! All she talked about were his children and how proud she was of them. Debbie was opinionated and if she was set on something you were not going to change her mind. lol She was full of information and what she did not know she always took the extra effort to research it. Her lighthearted spirit and laughter will always be remembered. I was not able to visit her in the last few weeks because I contracted Covid but she was in my prayers. Now I pray for a peaceful and beautiful transition into the great universe because she had a strong belief in God and His Goodness. Love you Deb.

Your friend Bunny Garrett

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**Bunny Garrett** - August 21, 2023 at 09:04 AM

SL

“ I'm sorry for your loss. I spent some years with Deb, Louie, Billy, and Jerri back in the day. My love and prayers are with you all.

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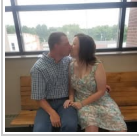
**Sara J Light** - August 19, 2023 at 01:19 PM

PH

“ So sorry for your loss I knew Debbie when she used to work for bunny Garrett at the apartment in Centralia where I. Lived we would visit each day she was there and she spoke often of her children. My prayers are with you

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**Paula Hays** - August 19, 2023 at 01:06 PM

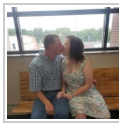


“ We had so many good memories I love you aunt Debbie and u will be missed by all till we see u again!



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**Sunshine Skurat** - August 18, 2023 at 09:34 PM



*Gabby will miss you too she was ur little baby doll*

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**Sunshine Skurat** - August 18, 2023 at 09:35 PM

LK

“ I knew Debbie since 1977. She always had a smile and laughing. She was a proud mother to her kids. Debbie changed and grew and found her happiness. Sorry Angie and Ronnie for your lost of your mom. Rest in peace Debbie. Lisa Kruse



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**lisa kruse** - August 18, 2023 at 05:35 PM