



Carole H. Smith

December 22, 1946 - December 26, 2024

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Carole H. Smith, on December 26, 2024, after a hard-fought journey with cancer. She is deeply mourned by her loving and devoted husband, B. Duran Smith, Sr., with whom she recently commemorated their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Four days prior to her death, she celebrated her 78th birthday surrounded by family and friends who reveled her with music and love.

As a 1964 North Clayton High School graduate, Carole was very involved in her community where she was a cheerleader, band member, yearbook staffer, multiple club member, and voted Most Talented in her Senior year. She worked as an Administrative and Legal Assistant over a 25+ year career. Her greatest joy was spending time with her family, friends, and granddogs. An exemplary mother and wife embodying unconditional love, strength of spirit, and unending generosity, Carole adored nature, gardening, bird watching, fishing, music, playing Canasta, the Rose Parade, and hosting her grandchildren at Mema and Granddaddy Camp over the years. She was the quintessential sports and theatre mom/grandmother who devoted countless hours to watching games, musicals, recitals, and concerts. She was also an avid sports enthusiast who knew everything you could possibly know about her beloved Atlanta Braves, Atlanta Falcons, Philadelphia Eagles, Pittsburgh Penguins, University of Georgia Bulldogs, and Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets. She is preceded in death by her mother and father, Vivia (Northcutt) Hancock and Roy C. Hancock; and her son, Benjamin D. Smith, Jr.

Carole is survived by her husband, B. Duran Smith, Sr.; her son, Brett Smith [Ranee]; her daughter, Dawn Smith Bye [Jeremy]; daughter-in-law, Carissa Smith; her grandchildren, B. Duran Smith III, Lanae Dickstein [Matt], Lauren McGraw [Matt], Kendra Smith, Jordan Flaim, Brandon Smith, Allie Smith, Haidyn Bye, and Garrett Bye; and her great-granddaughter, Evalyn Dickstein. A memorial service honoring her life will be held on Sunday, January 19th at 3pm at the Northside Chapel and Funeral Home, 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell, GA 30075. The family will receive guests prior to the service from 2:15pm-3pm. There will be a small reception following the ceremony at the same location.

Those wishing may make donations to the Foundation Fighting Blindness in her memory. <https://give.fightingblindness.org/CaroleMemorial>

Cemetery Details

Cremation - Northside Chapel Crematory

12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 2:15 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Memorial Service

JAN 19. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RM

“ *Duran, it's been a long time since North Clayton. I'm sorry for your loss. I'll always remember the friendships with both you and Carol during our high school days. I think you taught me everything that was important about understanding physics.* ”

Richard Marchbanks - October 11, 2025 at 11:59 AM

LF

“ *Longino family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carole H. Smith.* ”



Longino family - January 17, 2025 at 01:31 PM

LF

“ *Longino family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carole H. Smith.* ”

Longino family - January 17, 2025 at 01:31 PM

IM

“ *In Loving Memory purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Carole H. Smith.* ”



In Loving Memory - January 17, 2025 at 03:30 AM

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In Loving Memory - January 17, 2025 at 03:30 AM

DP

“ Don and Karen Pelham purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carole H. Smith.



Don and Karen Pelham - January 14, 2025 at 06:53 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carole H. Smith.



January 14, 2025 at 03:38 PM



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January 14, 2025 at 03:38 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carole H. Smith.



January 13, 2025 at 09:46 AM

JA

“ Will always fondly remember the good times we had with Carole - Super Bowl Parties....4th July Get-Togethers....visiting us in Delaware (photo of Lewes-Cape May Ferry trip over to NJ). She will be missed.



Jim and Paula Alberici - January 03, 2025 at 07:32 PM

DB

“ Love and blessings to all!



Dawn Bye - January 03, 2025 at 05:09 PM

BS

“ *Carole and I have been together since we were 16 years old. She chose me for her life partner, and I am so very fortunate she did. I have a lot to be thankful for, but she is number 1 on the list. She's always there for me and the family. There has never been a doubt in her mind that family is first, and she is the first to jump in where ever needed. Her physical presence is very much missed, but her spirit carries on in me and the family. This separation is temporary. We'll be together, again.*

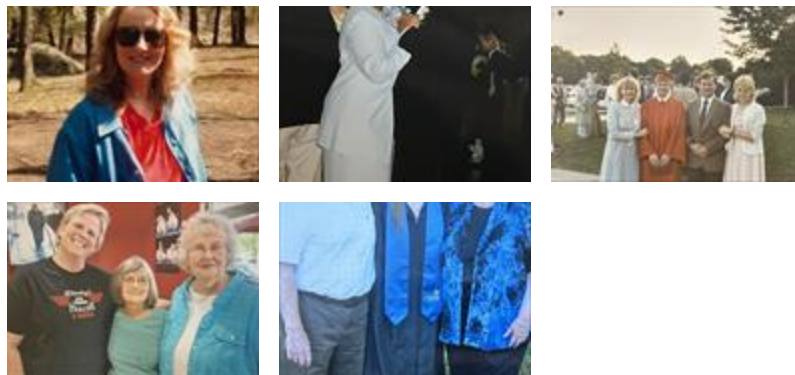
I love you Carole, Duran



Benjamin Duran Smith - January 03, 2025 at 05:06 PM

DB

“ *Mom and Dad always keep great photo albums. It's wonderful to see so many memories! Please post any pictures that you might have.*



Dawn Bye - January 03, 2025 at 04:24 PM

DB

“ Love to all family and friends ❤️



Dawn Bye - January 03, 2025 at 09:44 AM

DB

“ Just a small sampling of more pictures to come ... Love you and miss you Mom.



Dawn Bye - January 03, 2025 at 09:30 AM