



## Beverly "Bev" Dawn Smith

December 25, 1932 - August 30, 2023

Beverly "Bev" Dawn Smith, age 90, of Ottumwa, IA, formerly of Albia, IA, passed away on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City, IA.

Bev was born on December 25, 1932, in Avery, IA, to Clyde Irwin and Dorothy I. (Graham) Kent. She grew up attending school in Albia and graduated from the Albia High School with the class of 1951. Following high school, Bev worked for Monroe County in the Direct Relief office and the Engineer's Department. She later attended the Ottumwa Beauty Academy. Bev also worked at McCord Nursing Home (currently Oakwood) in Albia, the Monroe County Hospital and at Smith Laundry. On October 27, 1973, she was united in marriage to Donald W. Smith at the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Albia. Donald preceded her in death on January 31, 1992.

Bev was a member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Albia and later a charter member of the Trinity United Methodist Church. She was active in the church and was the assistant organist and taught Sunday school classes. She was on the Care Review Committee for Monroe County and a member of Memorial Community Hospice. Bev also volunteered at the Leisure Lounge.

Bev is survived by a daughter, Lisa Renee Norden; 2 granddaughters, Bree

Anna and Rachael Norden; her brother, Larry (Joyce) Kent; 2 nephews, Larry Jr. and Randy Kent; and a niece, Lori Kent. She is preceded in death by her husband, Donald; her parents, Clyde and Dorothy Kent; and a stepson, Arlan Smith.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Pastor Richard Grimes officiating. A private family burial will be held at Oak View Cemetery at a later date.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak View Cemetery

602 2nd Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
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