



Arlene Marie Smith

September 2, 1935 - April 3, 2026

Arlene Marie Smith, 90, of Mentor, passed away on April 3, 2026, at Vitalia Mentor. She was born on September 2, 1935, in Cleveland, to the late Harry and Anna Smith.

Arlene had an interesting career path. Her employment included being an Executive Assistant at Fox Studios in California where she interacted with Clark Gable, Marilyn Monroe and others. Upon returning to Ohio in later years, she was an Executive Assistant at a country club in Cincinnati. She retired as Executive Assistant to the Treasurer at TRW. Arlene loved golf and ice skating. She was especially fond of gathering with her golfing friends at the end of the round and enjoying an icy cold beer or two! Those were her exact words.

Arlene was devoted to her mother, Anna, and took care of her until she passed. She was a loving aunt, committed to her handicapped niece, Kathy, after her sister Betty (Kathy's mother) passed away, making sure she always received little presents and was well cared for.

In her final years, she loved being on her computer. YouTube was a favorite and she especially enjoyed following the life of a Vietnamese farmer and learning about his life, work and the country. Arlene was very well informed and articulate all the way to the end.

Survivors include her nieces and nephews, Barbara (Tim) Marlowe, Linda Price, Karen (Al) Damm, Kathy Ruzga, Edward Smith, Bobby Smith, and Dorothy Smith; special great niece, Teeba Marlowe and many other loving great nieces and great nephews.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Edward (Lottie) Smith, Betty (Al) Ruzga, Jeannette Price and nephews, Tom, Jim and Jack Ruzga.

The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, Ohio 44060. A funeral service to conclude the gathering will begin at 12:30 p.m. Burial to follow in All Souls Cemetery, Chardon.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Deepwood Foundation, 8121 Deepwood Boulevard, Mentor, Ohio 44060 or Suncrest Hospice, 6100 Rockside Woods Boulevard North, Suite 240 Independence, OH 441131.

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Cemetery Details

All Souls Cemetery

10366 Chardon Rd.
Chardon, OH 44024
(800) 582-6850

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR 7. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Amy Meyer lit a candle in memory of Arlene Marie Smith*



Amy Meyer - May 10 at 12:28 PM