



Grace Marie Smith

May 14, 1929 - December 12, 2025

Grace Estep Smith passed away on Friday morning December 12 surrounded by loved ones. She was born on May 14, 1929 to Josie Brownie Hinesley Estep and Louie Bee Estep in Newnan.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother. She worked for Arnall Mills at Sargent as a young woman. After the children, she was a homemaker and faithfully cared for her daughter, Elaine, until she passed away at the age of 5. She returned to work at Bibb Manufacturing, where she remained until she retired in May of 1991. Her hobbies were reading, cooking, travelling, gardening, and canning and freezing things from their garden. She loved spending time with her extended family, especially during holidays. Most recently having 23 at her home for Thanksgiving. Grace and Reuben traveled as much as they could, visiting all 50 states and twenty-something countries.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter Elaine, her husband Reuben, her sisters Vivian Miller and Katherine Burnham, and her brother Louie Estep. She is survived by her son Allen Smith (Dot) and daughter Susan Riggs (Rodney) and her brother David (Sadie Estep); grandchildren Tabatha (Johnny) Shoemaker, Jennifer (Tracy) Wallace, Kevin (Natalie) Riggs, Jamie Smith, Caleb (Jessica) Smith, Keith (Kalyn) Riggs, and Haley Smith; great grand children Cody Shoemaker, Jonathan Smith

(Stphanie), Heather (Shane) Owen, Gabe and Wyatt Wallace, Amelia and Willa Riggs and Walker Smith; great great grandson Matthew Owen; and sister in law, Joyce Estep, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

The funeral service is Monday, December 15, 2025, at 2:00 PM in the chapel of McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson Street, in Newnan. The family will receive friends on Monday from 12:00 PM until service time at the funeral home. Burial will follow the service at Oak Hill Cemetery in Newnan. Pallbearers are grand sons and great grandsons with honorary pallbearers Walker Smith and Matthew Owen.

Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Fuenral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

96 Jefferson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-3744

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 15. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Funeral Service

DEC 15. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home Chapel
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Grace Marie Smith*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - December 15, 2025 at 09:40 AM

JH

“ *I remember being at the beauty shop when she would come in, all smiles and greeting everyone. She was such a wonderful lady. Susan, I am very sorry for your loss.*

Jenny Helton - December 15, 2025 at 11:50 AM

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“ *My condolences and prayers to the family during this difficult time 🙏 Grace was a very nice person. I worked with her at Bibb Maufactory. Rest well Grace!*



Sharon Sutton - December 14, 2025 at 09:52 PM

FC

“ *From Cory, Christa and Callie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Marie Smith.*

From Cory, Christa and Callie - December 14, 2025 at 04:29 AM

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“ From Cory, Christa and Callie purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Grace Marie Smith.



From Cory, Christa and Callie - December 14, 2025 at 04:29 AM

JH

“ Susan, Allen and all the family, the world has lost one of the sweetest ladies to ever walk upon it. I met “Miss Grace” when I first went to ASJH in 5th grade. She welcomed me over to spend countless nights with Susan through our 8th grade and they were treasured sleepovers because she and Mr. Reuben were always so nice. I loved her laugh! She was always up for doing something, going somewhere into her latter years, which I thought was fabulous! Susan, I’m so very sorry and I’m sending all my love, big large hugs, and prayers of thanks for the life of your sweet mama.

Jennie Pursley Harp - December 13, 2025 at 06:52 PM