

Vida Rae Smith



June 18, 1930 ~ February 20, 2023

Vida Rae Smith, age 92, passed away February 20, 2023 in Denham Springs, LA. She was a native of Denham Springs, an LSU graduate, and a lifelong resident of DeRidder, LA. She taught school there for 30 years, retired, and had a successful real estate career. She held an active real estate license until she was 89 years old. She dearly loved her church, the First Baptist Church of DeRidder, and actively participated in its activities. Especially dear to her heart was the Living Christmas Tree Production, faithfully inviting friends and family to attend. Vida enjoyed traveling, shopping, bowling, playing cards, dominos, and cheering on the LSU Tigers.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Erma Tate Holden and Odiss Holden of Denham Springs, her father Rudolph Smith, and her sister Gesna Murray of Livingston, LA. She is survived by her sister Erma Lynne Satcher, her nephew Trase Satcher, her nieces Paige Satcher and Lane Doiron all of Denham Springs. She is also survived by her niece Sharon Cutrer of Livingston, LA.

Graveside services will be Friday, February 24, 2023 at 11:00 at the Denham Springs Memorial Cemetery. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation in her name to the First Baptist Church of DeRidder, LA.