



Judith Alethea Lawrence

December 25, 1934 - July 9, 2025

On July 9, 2025, our beloved mother, grandmother, and sister, Judith A. Lawrence, passed away peacefully at the age of 90 from a terminal illness at Overland Park Regional Hospital in Overland Park, Kansas.

Judith was born on December 25, 1934, in Independence, Missouri, the daughter of Cary J. and Dorthea C. Smith, who preceded her in death in 1950 and 1998, respectively.

She is survived by her children: Janet C. Brown of Winchester, Kentucky; Annette and her husband, Dell Grimes, of Bonner Springs, Kansas; Lisa M. Cooper of Gladstone, Missouri; Kevin and his wife, Anais Lawrence, of Overland Park, Kansas; Fred and his wife, Shandra Lawrence, of Kansas City, Kansas; and Edward J. Lawrence of Kansas City, Missouri. She is also survived by her sister, Yvonne, and her husband, Dean White, of Dallas, Texas; 15 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Judith was preceded in death by her son, David C. Lawrence (2012); her brother, Marine First Lieutenant Cary Carson Smith (1968), an honored Vietnam War pilot; and two sisters, Valerie Rock (2023) and Loretta Elliott (2017). She was also preceded in death by two grandsons, Robert B. Lawrence (August 27, 1989) and Craig M. Thomason (September 6, 2007).

Her presence will be deeply missed, and we will always remember the loving faith she shared with us all.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the family.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

2301 S 34th St
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 262-6610
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Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
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Graveside Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Sally Stokes lit a candle in memory of Judith Lawrence*



Sally Stokes - July 13, 2025 at 12:07 PM

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“ *(Sister) Yvonne White & family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Judith Alethea Lawrence.*



(Sister) Yvonne White & family - July 12, 2025 at 12:58 PM

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“ *Jessica Tollie purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Judith Alethea Lawrence.*



Jessica Tollie - July 10, 2025 at 08:51 PM

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“ I knew Judy from being friends with her daughter Janet and her brother David. All through grade school, junior high, and high school. I also used to do Judy's hair on occasion when I worked at Normas Beauty shop at 47th and Mission Rd. Always smiling and happy when I saw her. I was lucky enough to have learned sign language from Janet, so I was able to communicate with her easily. She wil be missed.
RIP Miss Judy.



Roberta Ingraham - July 10, 2025 at 07:07 PM