



## Nancy L. Smith

December 18, 1939 - July 24, 2021

Nancy L. Smith, 81 of Landisville. At 11:25 am on Saturday, July 24, 2021, Nancy died peacefully with her sons Jim and Steve and her husband Jay V. by her side. Nancy died from ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease.) In addition to her sons, she will be dearly missed by her daughters-in-law, Glory and Sherry and granddaughters Klara and Rylee.

A lifelong resident of Landisville, she was a 1957 graduate of Hempfield High School. During her working career, Nancy was the Executive Secretary to the Superintendent at Hempfield School District for over thirty years. Nancy also worked as secretary and treasurer of the family business, J & S Properties. She was a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Landisville, and Order of Eastern Star, Donegal Chapter #442. An active volunteer, Nancy helped usher at the Fulton Theater and served as Secretary for Pain Management Office at the Lancaster General Hospital Health Campus. Nancy and Jay V. loved to travel. They would vacation in Colorado and Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. She also enjoyed going to New York and attending Broadway Shows. Most important to Nancy was the special times she shared with her family and many friends. Her legacy will live on through her children and loving granddaughters.

Born in Landisville, she was the daughter of the late Clyde and Mary Rankin. She was preceded in death by her sisters Betty and Janet.

Honoring Nancy's wishes, all services will be private and at the convenience of her family. Interment will take place in Salunga Mennonite Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions to the ALS Hope Foundation, P.O. Box 40777 | Philadelphia, PA 19107 <https://www.alshf.org/donate> Or Hospice and Community Care, P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster PA 17604 would be deeply appreciated by the Smith family.

# Cemetery Details

## **Salunga Mennonite Cemetery**

Stony Battery Road,  
Salunga, PA 17538

# Tribute Wall

MS

“ With my amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), the first thing that happened almost 2 years ago now, was speaking as if I were drunk. I wasn't. I initially did improve speech (articulating clearly but slow) but now I can no longer speak in an acceptable way. Then, a year later eating became problematic, I was biting my tongue and lips, and chewing became weak and less controlled. Soon after that some fingers started to fail me and things would drop out of my hands. Somewhere at that time bulbar ALS was diagnosed. The Rilutek (riluzole) did very little to help me. The medical team did even less. My decline was rapid and devastating.. We tried every shot available but nothing was working. There has been little if any progress in finding a reliable treatment, Our care provider introduced us to Kycuyu Health Clinic ALS/MND herbal treatment. The treatment is a miracle.i recovered significantly! Visit [www.kycuyuhealthclinic.com](http://www.kycuyuhealthclinic.com). I Adhere anyone reading this to try natural approach. ALS is not a death sentence.

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**Marcia Stewart** - April 23, 2022 at 12:12 AM

JM

“ I am so sad to learn about Nancy's passing. We all know she is pain free now and for that there is gratitude and love. My deepest condolences to you, Jay and to your sons also.I last "spoke" with Nancy on August 20th thru Jay and phone. Jay, you said we got her to smile (as best she could) after telling some childhood jokes - for that I will always be grateful. Then we waved goodbye. Love and Prayers to Jay and family. Goodbye sweet Nancy - See you later! BFF - Janet (Charles) Mansoldo

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**Janet Mansoldo** - August 18, 2021 at 02:50 PM

EM

“ Met Nancy while working at HHS and continued our friendship after retirement. Enjoyed lots of fun times together during our luncheons. Many condolences for Jay and family.  
*Eileen Martin*

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**Eileen Martin** - August 03, 2021 at 08:16 PM

RB

“ Always enjoyed working with Nancy. She was the ultimate professional.  
*Ruth Bernhardt*

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**Ruth Bernhardt** - August 03, 2021 at 03:04 PM

DJ

“ Jay, Jim and Steve: My condolences to you on the death of your mother. Many years ago when I was a young administrator in the Hempfield school district Nancy was my secretary. She had many positive characteristics but probably the most significant was her sense of humor, she could find lightness in nearly any situation and it often diffused tension in the office and restored perspective. She was a great secretary And more importantly a wonderful person.  
*Lewis E. Jury*

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**Dr Lewis E Jury** - August 02, 2021 at 07:36 PM

BP

“ I am so very saddened to learn of Nancy's passing. As the Hempfield Superintendent's administrative assistant, Nancy was totally competent, professional, and always helpful ,while somehow maintaining a terrific sense of humor. Deepest sympathy is extended to Jay and their sons.

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**Bill Powers** - August 02, 2021 at 05:24 PM

NB

“ We are sorry to learn of the passing of Nancy. Our sincere sympathy to the Smith family. Nancy was Bill's Secretary while he was employed by the Hempfield School District(70-74) and did an outstanding job. God Bless. Nancy/Bill Brackbill

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**Nancy/Bill Brackbill** - August 02, 2021 at 06:58 AM

JK

“ We extend our deepest sympathy and love to Jay and family. I always enjoyed hearing from Nancy, and she will be dearly missed. She is another of our Class of 1957 who has passed. I miss you all!

*Erwin and Jeanne (Muehleisen) Klein*

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**Jeanne Klein** - August 01, 2021 at 08:52 PM



“ Sorry for your loss. My deceased wife Thelma was in Nancy's HS graduation class. She came to visit Thelma when she was sick 13 years ago. Jay, you may not remember but you and Nancy had dinner with Thelma and I when Steve was dating Thelma's daughter Lori Ann. Take care.

*Kenneth R Martin*

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**Kenneth Martin** - August 01, 2021 at 06:58 PM

JS

“ Without the help of Mrs. Smith I would have never graduated from Hempfield back in 1971. I believe Nancy kept a pack of Hall passes on her desk and when she saw me walking in her office she would begin filling one out, lecturing me it was the last time that she could bail me out and then hand me the pass with a smile and a wink. She also saved me from getting lectured by her hubby who called me a degenerate for working in the middle of Cooper Ave. on my car on a hot Sunday afternoon in Landisville. And finally she gave approval that both her sons could work for me as well as her "grumpy" husband who started a long second career. Mrs. Smith was just a special person that will always be in my Hall of Fame, My condolences to all, Jeff Sweigart

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**Jeff Sweigart** - August 01, 2021 at 10:25 AM