

Marilyn Ann ('64 LARSEN) SMITH, 1946 ~ 2008

Marilyn Ann Smith passed away peacefully in her sleep in her home in Coeur d'Alene, July 4, 2008. Marilyn was 62 years old. She was a loving and devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

Her family was the focal point of her life.

Marilyn was born 24 Feb 1946 in Spokane to Kenneth and Cecilia (SCHUERMON) LARSEN. Her family moved to Coeur d'Alene about a year later, and she attended IHM Academy. She met Terry SMITH, and they were married April 1, 1964. They were together for 44 years, and had a son, Kevin, and a daughter, Stephanie.

Marilyn was a housewife, but she worked occasionally, from early work at Rathskellers and the Extension Office, to baking or checking at the grocery stores, and cooking at the Iron Horse. Of course, her favorite jobs were as mom and grandma.

Her hobbies included reading, cooking and astrology. She loved trying out new handicrafts, she belonged to an online book group, and had recently joined the Red Hat Club. She also enjoyed local activities such as Art on The Green. She had a unique gift for welcoming people and making them feel included in any gathering.

Marilyn is survived by her husband, Terry; her son, Kevin; and daughter Stephanie; her mother, Cecilia; brother **Darrell '66** and his wife, Mary; grandchildren: Brenda, Sean and Tristan; nieces Michelle and Marna; and nephews Scott and Calvin.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her father, Kenneth LARSEN; sister Brenda LARSEN; and nephew Allen LARSEN.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, July 11, 2008. at English Funeral Chapel, Coeur d'Alene.

Please sign Marilyn's guest registry and view her online memorial at www.englishfuneralchapel.com.

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