



## Sandra Smith

April 5, 1942 - March 24, 2022

Sandra Lee Reno-Smith, age 79, passed from this life on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at her home surrounded by her family.

Sandra was born on April 5, 1942 in El Paso, Texas to James Austin Merritt and Pauline Rose (Lay) Merritt. She had been a resident of Brady since 1970 and had attended the Voca Church of Christ for many years. She married the late Leon Smith and they spent several years together before his passing in 2012.

Sandra loved life and lived it to the fullest. She was full of character, wit and spunk, and loved to laugh and tell it like she saw it. She loved to play any kind of competitive games - dominoes, cards, board games - anything she could cheat at and win without anyone knowing she had fudged a little.

Sandra had a heart of gold and loved to help others out, including all those she took in and treated as her own. She served countless others by taking them into her home and her heart, feeding them and providing them with shelter in life's storms. She believed in hard work, instilling this in her children when they were young. Whether they were hauling hay, picking weeds, remodeling apartments, or cooking for a crowd, they did it all together as a family and were rewarded for their efforts in the satisfaction of knowing that they did something that meant something to someone.

Sandra was preceded in death by her parents James A. Merritt and Polly Merritt Allred, sister Judi McCall, great-granddaughter Karlie Reno, husband Leon Smith, and lifelong friend Mickey Duncan.

Left behind to cherish her memory are three sons, Duncan Reno and wife Debbie of Harper, Texas, Wade Reno and wife Angi of Burnet, Texas, and James (Colie) Reno and wife Sondra of New Braunfels, Texas; one daughter, Murri Garza and husband Johnny of Brady, Texas; sixteen grandchildren; thirty-one great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; and one nephew, Jim Bob McCall.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, March 27, 2022 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Heritage Funeral Home in Brady.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM on Monday, March 28, 2022 in the Heritage Funeral Home Chapel with Paden Behrens officiating. Burial will follow in Rest Haven Cemetery in Brady.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Heritage Funeral Home of Brady.

Please visit Ms. Smith's online memorial at [www.heritagefuneralhomes.com](http://www.heritagefuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Rest Haven - Brady

Hwy 87 N  
Brady, TX 76825

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAR 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Heritage Funeral Home - Brady  
300 North Bridge Street  
Brady, TX 76825

## Funeral Service

MAR 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Heritage Funeral Home - Brady  
300 North Bridge Street  
Brady, TX 76825

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.



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March 27, 2022 at 09:30 AM



“ *51 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Fulton Family Funeral Home** - March 26, 2022 at 12:15 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.



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March 26, 2022 at 10:44 AM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.*



March 26, 2022 at 08:10 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.*



March 25, 2022 at 11:35 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.*



March 25, 2022 at 03:21 PM



“ *The PD family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sandra Smith.*



**The PD family** - March 25, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.*



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March 24, 2022 at 08:45 PM



“ *It was impossible to be in Sandra's presence or even hear a story about her without a smile on my face and a laugh at some point! What a delightful and warm lady was Sandra ! I fondly remember her in the football stands, Courtside for basketball and close to the field at track meets. I don't recall a time she was not working on several projects, jobs while raising a family. Her black hair, twinkling eyes, glowing smile and joyful laughter are forever etched in my memory. I am blessed for having known Sandra and blessed by knowing her children. Much love to each of you. Praying you know God's presence in your grief. Slana Graves*

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**Slana Graves** - March 24, 2022 at 08:43 PM



“ *I'm so very sorry the loss of your Mom. I have many fond memories of Sandra. She was so full of life and so much fun. I can still hear her voice and laugh even after all these years! Hugs and prayers for you all.*

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**Kim Petty Swaner** - March 24, 2022 at 08:06 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.*



March 24, 2022 at 08:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.*



March 24, 2022 at 07:58 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sandra Smith.*



March 24, 2022 at 06:39 PM



“ *I am holding good “thoughts and prayers” for all of you. You have my deepest sympathy. Sandra was “one of a kind “and shared her love with many. Annette Y. Deans*

**Annette** - March 24, 2022 at 06:27 PM

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“ Bobby purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sandra Smith.



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**Bobby** - March 24, 2022 at 06:23 PM