



Christel Smith

September 30, 1942 - October 22, 2020

Christel Smith (Serwe), 78, passed away at UNC Chapel Hill Hospital on October 22, 2020. She is preceded in death by her parents, Gertrude and Heinrich Serwe; step-father, Kurt Fromm; and sister, Karin Saager.

She was born and raised in Germany. She loved going to the beach and spending time with her family. She was a stay at home domestic goddess and could dance like wind was under her feet. To honor her play a rock and roll song and toast her in heaven.

She is survived by her husband, Kirk W. Smith; daughters, Donna (Steven) and Carmen; grandchildren, Douglas and Sean Kelly, and Megan and Adam Wolfram; sister, Gabi (Heinz); and brothers, Peter (Doris) and Heinz (Ida).

Tribute Wall



“ *Christel Smith*

October 09, 2023 at 04:46 AM



“ *Christel Smith*

October 08, 2023 at 11:29 AM



“ *Christel Smith*

October 05, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ *Christel was my aunt. And I remember the time when I was a boy and could visit my family in America. I was so proud to be in America. My uncle Kirk, who ate huge steaks and drank them together with milk. At least the steaks looked huge to me :) how we were all together by the sea. I will never forget my aunt and my memories of her have a place in my heart. Love you all. Dirk*



Dirk Saager - November 08, 2020 at 02:49 PM

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“ To the family of dear Christel Smith, I am Reverend John Frazier. I was blessed to know Christel Smith and to come to know her as a very faithful woman of God. She invited me into her home where she made me comfortable and confided in me that she was a believer in God. She did not always attend church but she depended on prayer and serious consultation about her faith. She was always warm, welcoming, hospitable, and above all, loving. I miss my time with her and just want to share with Carmen, Donna, Kirk and the grandchildren that she is one of the saints of my life. Thank you God for Christel. Christel, rest in peace and enjoy everlasting life.

Your brother in Christ, John

John T Frazier - November 04, 2020 at 07:31 PM



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Donna Wolfram - November 04, 2020 at 04:48 PM

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“ CHRISTEL WAS A GOOD FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR. JESSE AND I ENJOYED MANY GOOD MEALS AND DESSERTS ALWAYS CELEBRATING, IT DIDN'T MATTER WHAT THE OCCASION. THE FAMILY ALWAYS MADE US FEEL WELCOME, EVEN KIRK, ALTHOUGH HE DIDN'T WANT US TO KNOW. OH, AND CHRISTEL HAD GREAT TASTE IN WINE AND COULD DO A MEAN CHICKEN DANCE. LOVE AND MISS YOU MY FRIEND.



Dorothy Baker - November 02, 2020 at 01:01 PM



“ Mom,

I love you. You were my best friend. I see you in everything I do. I see you everywhere I look. I will miss your laugh. I will miss the way your eyes would sparkle when you were up to something.... All those afternoons finding treasures on clearance at Belk! You loved hard. You fought hard. I am blessed to be able to hold your hand on your last day. You did an amazing job here on earth. Fly high Momma, and give them hell in Heaven!



Carmen Kelly - November 02, 2020 at 09:39 AM