



## Krystal K. Smith

November 25, 1948 - February 18, 2020

Krystal K. Smith, 71, of Rochester, Indiana passed at 12:50 pm, Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at Franciscan Health Lafayette East.

She was born on Nov. 25, 1948 in Rochester to the late Herbert and Gloria (Ensign) Ballenger. She married on March 22, 1975 in Kewanna, Indiana to Dennis A. Smith, who preceded her in death on March 31, 2001.

Krystal was 1966 Rochester High School graduate. She then graduated from Indiana State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Teaching and a Minor in Library Science. She then attained her Master's Degree in Teaching. Her faith was important to her. She attended the Akron Church of God for many years.

She taught for Kewanna Schools and worked at the Rochester Library. She cared deeply for the students that she taught. She later became the head of the Mentone Bell Memorial Public Library where she was known as a sweet and kind person who had a loving smile. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Krystal is survived by her aunt and uncle, John and Marilyn Ensign of Peru; cousin, Jill and husband Bill Stockwell of Crawfordsville; nephews, Chad and wife Stephanie Ballenger and children, Tiffany, Lincoln, and Bentley and Brian and wife Kate Ballenger all of Ballwin, Missouri; and cousin, Gregory and wife

Jolene Ensign of Dallas, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Denny Smith; twin brother, Kenton Ballenger; aunt and uncle, Dean and Freda Ault; cousins, Alys and husband Dale Doering and Todd Ensign; and grandparents, Robert and Grace Ensign and Marvin and Ola Ballenger.

A private burial was held in the Citizens IOOF Cemetery of Kewanna, Indiana.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home 305 West Rochester Street Akron, Indiana.

# Tribute Wall

KS

“ *Krystal was such a kind, sweet, gentle person. She had a lovely laugh and smile. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.* ”

**Kathy Siders** - February 26, 2020 at 01:34 PM

Maddy  
Treiber

“ *I had the privilege of working with Krystal at the Bell Memorial Public Library. She was a thoughtful and kind person who I looked up to. As the children's librarian there, she believed in me, and encouraged me along the way. I am very thankful for the opportunity to have known her. She will be greatly missed. Sincerely,*  
*Madeline Treiber*  
*Program Director*  
*Akron Carnegie Public Library* ”



**Maddy Treiber** - February 20, 2020 at 09:59 PM

RC

“ *Ron & I were friends with Krystal long before my many years with her at the library. She was a wonderful person who was willing to share her experience and knowledge with so many. We will miss her laughter the most! Ron & Carol Chileen* ”

**Ron & Carol Chileen** - February 20, 2020 at 08:55 AM

SR

“ *Krystal was such a sweet lady. I really enjoyed working with her and learning from her.*



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**Selena Rouch** - February 19, 2020 at 05:54 PM

KG

“ *I have great memories of teaching with Krystal at Kewanna! Karyn Gundrum*

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**Karyn Field Gundrum** - February 19, 2020 at 05:06 PM

KG

“ *Karyn Field Gundrum lit a candle in memory of Krystal K. Smith*



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**Karyn Field Gundrum** - February 19, 2020 at 05:03 PM

BK

“ *Beverly Kreamer lit a candle in memory of Krystal K. Smith*



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**Beverly Kreamer** - February 19, 2020 at 01:25 PM

BA

“ *Billie Abalos lit a candle in memory of Krystal K. Smith*



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**Billie Abalos** - February 18, 2020 at 10:20 PM

JB

“ *Jim And Shirley Bickel lit a candle in memory of Krystal K. Smith*



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**Jim and Shirley Bickel** - February 18, 2020 at 08:16 PM