



## Rita F. Smith

February 17, 1929 - May 10, 2008

Rita F. Smith, 79, of Forked River passed away on Saturday, May 10 at Van Dyke Hospice and Palliative Care Center @ Community Medical Center, Toms River. Rita was born in Jersey City and lived most of her life in Hazlet before relocating to Manchester for seven years and Forked River since 2005. She was a homemaker and a longtime member of the Hazlet P.T.A. and Hazlet Women's Club. Rita was also active as a Brownie Troop leader in Tinton Falls for several years.

She was predeceased by her husband Andrew (Buddy) Smith in 2005, a son Jeff Poretti and a daughter Rita Smith. Surviving is a daughter; Denise Springer and her husband Walter of Forked River, a son; William Smith and his wife Carol of Howell, a daughter-in-law; Diane Short and her husband Michael of Eatontown, and grandchildren, Diane Cugliari and her husband Mark, Nicole Parodi and her husband Mario, Jefferey Springer, Christine and Melissa Smith, and Debbie Joseph. Rita is also survived by 4 great grandchildren; Elisa Zapata, Giovanna Cugliari, Kayla and Devyn Joseph.

# Previous Events

## Service

MAY **24**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Church of Saint Anselm  
1028 Wayside Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ

# Tribute Wall



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