



## Rhea Agnes Smithson

February 24, 1928 - June 15, 2020

Rhea Agnes Smithson, 92, of Alexandria, Virginia, passed away on Monday, June 15, 2020 at the Fairfax Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Fairfax, VA.

Born on February 24, 1928 in Jackson, Michigan, she was the daughter of the late Leo John Woods and Lena Adelaide Woods. Mrs. Smithson worked as a Secretary at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, DC and was of the Catholic faith.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Richard Joseph Smithson; siblings Phillip Woods, Howard P. Woods, Ruth White (twin) and Martha Raley.

Mrs. Smithson is survived by her children Kathleen Weaver and her husband Ronald, Susan Smith and her husband Craige; grandchildren Craige Smith III and his wife Caroline, Jeanine Gallagher and her husband Sean, Lisa Cox and her husband Ben, Elizabeth Mercer and her husband Christopher; great grandchildren Dylan and Julie Gallagher, Craige IV and Lindsey Smith, Cole and Weston Mercer.

Service and interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Inova Health Foundation, 8110 Gatehouse Road, Suite 200 East, Falls Church, VA 22042-

1210 or to Fairfax Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, 10701 Main Street,  
Fairfax, VA 22030.

We welcome you to provide your thoughts and memories on our Tribute Wall.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rhea Agnes Smithson*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Rhea Agnes Smithson*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *I was so very sad to hear of Rhea's passing. She was such a kind and generous person. John was blessed to work with her. My condolences to the family. Jane Goodman*

**jane goodman** - October 04, 2021 at 10:42 PM



“ *I worked with and was trained in the office by Rhea at Space Science Division at NRL. I am grateful for knowing her and meeting and working with other members of her family. My deepest sympathy goes to her family. Rest in peace Rhea. Carol ( Cline) Loving*

**Carol Loving** - June 22, 2020 at 10:28 AM



“ *Janet & Tim Cox lit a candle in memory of Rhea Agnes Smithson*



**Janet & Tim Cox** - June 19, 2020 at 09:02 PM



*Rhea, you will be greatly missed. Love & Condolences to the family*

**Janet Cox** - June 19, 2020 at 09:04 PM



*Janet & Tim Cox*

**Janet Cox** - June 19, 2020 at 09:06 PM

 Chris Jones

“ *Sincere condolences on the loss of a great lady. So many memories. Surely she is where she wanted to go for quite a while; with certainty she would be in heaven! We will have you all in our prayers -*  
*Chris and Toni*

**Chris Jones** - June 17, 2020 at 04:38 PM

JD

“ *Our deepest sympathy for the lost of a sweetheart who never knew anything but a kind word and love. She will surely be missed not only by her family but her friends, of which she had so many. Thank the Good Lord he graced us with her presence for 92 years and we were truly blessed by it.*  
*Kathy, Susie and family we are praying that God will send you the strength to face this difficult time.*  
*Love to all, Ray and Judy DiGiovanni*

**Judith DiGiovanni** - June 17, 2020 at 01:34 PM

SP

“ Rhea was such a lady and a mentor to so many of us. Although we worked together years ago, we always kept in touch. She sincerely cared about her friendships and made sure that we always kept in contact. I will miss her lovely smile and her love.

*My sincerest sympathy Dear Kathy and Susie and to your whole family.*

*Love Sue and Gus Perrotta*

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**Susan Perrotta** - June 17, 2020 at 11:48 AM