



## Betty R. Smith

March 28, 1929 - September 14, 2013

Rye Beach – Betty R. Smith, 84 a long time Rye Beach Resident, died Saturday, September 14, 2013 at her home.

A native Floridian, she was born March 28, 1929 in Melbourne, FL the daughter of the late Herbert H. and Edna (Kolofske) Reiners. She was raised in Apopka, FL and attended the University of Florida in Gainesville.

In 1954 she moved to New York City, where she did photographic modeling. She was married in 1956 to Bob, an Air Force Lieutenant, stationed at Pease AFB. They shared 51 years together until his death in 2007. In 1960 they were transferred to England, where they spent four glorious years living in a small village in the Cotswolds and traveled throughout Europe. They returned to Pease in 1964 and built their home in Rye Beach in 1965.

Mrs. Smith served the town as a member of the Budget Committee from 1982 to 1993, elected a Rye Beach Precinct Commissioner in 1982 and every three years since, and ran the town's 4th of July Parade for five years.

One of the highlights of her life was in 1995, when they flew round trip to England aboard the Concorde.

A successful homemaker, mother and friend, she laughed, loved, and lived.

She believed in honesty, integrity and perseverance, was well respected and loved, and will be missed by those who knew her.

She is survived by her only daughter, Linda Sheppard of Rye Beach.

Services will be held at 12 noon on Thursday, September 19, 2013 at the Central Cemetery in Rye.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

SEP **19**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Central Cemetery  
20 Central Road  
Rye, NH

# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty R. Smith*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Betty and my mother were great friends, and I spent a lot of time with Betty, Bob , and Linda. I remember Betty's beautiful smile and full laugh. She was a gift in my childhood.*  
*David Hall, MD*

David Hall, MD - January 19, 2014 at 10:33 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to Betty's loved ones. May Jehovah God help you to endure her loss, for He is near to those that are broken at heart; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves. Psalms 34:18, John 11:11,34-44*

Michelle E. - September 19, 2013 at 01:16 PM



“ *What a classy lady,, Her continuous active involvement in the Rye Beach community was under appreciated while she was with us, but will clearly be recognized and fondly remembered as the days go by without her. It was a pleasure to have known her.*

*Garry and Karol Layman*

garry layman - September 19, 2013 at 09:18 AM

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“ *Linda, was so sorry to hear about your Mom passing away. I know how close the two of you were & how much you will miss her. Thoughts & prayers are with you. Let me know if there is anything I can do. Gerry Clifford.*

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**Gerry Clifford** - September 18, 2013 at 08:23 AM