



## Sigrun P. Smith

May 7, 1925 - February 25, 2022

Sigrun Smith passed away peacefully in the comfort of her daughter's home in Longwood, Florida on February 25, 2022, at the age of 96. She was preceded in death by her husband, Earle L. Smith (March 26, 2000). She was known to her close friends as “Runa.”

Runa was born in Reykjavik, Iceland on May 7, 1925. Her parents were Groa A. Gudmundsdottir and Pall Jonsson. She had an older brother, Bjorn Palsson. She was a licensed hat maker in Iceland and married Army Captain Earle L. Smith on October 26, 1945, in Reykjavik. Runa emigrated to the United States in 1947 to join her husband, and became a naturalized citizen. She had five children: Earle Paul, Elizabeth Groa, who passed away shortly after birth, Eric, Betty, and John. Earle and Runa attended Ohio State University. Through the years, they lived in Columbus, Ohio; Newark, Ohio; Meriden, Connecticut; Charlotte, North Carolina; and Orlando, Florida. Runa worked at the Walt Disney World Village in merchandising for 16 years. She also served as President of the Hagar Viking Club of Central Florida.

Runa always enjoyed being with her family, and served as a Den Mother for each of her sons. She also loved gourmet cooking, coffee, chocolate, silver smithing, reading, caring for her pet cats, and gardening (rose bushes and poinsettias).

Runa was preceded in death by her parents, Pall and Groa; brother Bjorn; daughter Elizabeth; husband Earle; son-in-law John; and dear friends Kristen and Rosemary. She is survived by her loving children: Earle Paul (Marsha), Eric (Kathy), Betty (John, dec.), and John; grandchildren Jack (Jennifer), Laura, and Carrie (Mark); great-grandchildren Renee, David, Wiley, Emma, and Kate; sister-in-law Betty; nieces Thora, Thorunn, Sunna, Debbie, Donna, Peggy, Sandy, Steph, and their children; nephews, Bolli, Bjorn Vignir, Agust, Craig, Wayne, and their children; and lifetime friends Jean, Lilla, and Mary. Runa embodied gentleness and kindness, and was deeply loved by her family and friends. She is now with The Lord Jesus Christ.

A memorial will be held on Friday, March 25, 2022 at 10:30am at Ascension Lutheran Church (351 Ascension Drive, Casselberry, FL 32707). A light luncheon will follow the service, and all are welcome.

# Tribute Wall



“ *In memorial of my loving aunt Runa. Thank you for welcome me and my family every time me were in Florida. You did our trip unique. You will be in our heart.  
With love from Thorunn.*

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**Þórunn Björnsdóttir** - March 24, 2022 at 06:00 PM



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**Þórunn Björnsdóttir** - March 24, 2022 at 05:58 PM

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“ *In memorial of my lovely aunt Runa. Thank you for welcome me and my family when we were in Florida. You made our trip unique. You will be in our mind.  
With love from Thorunn and family.*



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**Thorunn** - March 24, 2022 at 05:47 PM

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“ *In memorial of my adorable aunt Runa. Thank you for welcome me and my family every time we wear in Orlando. You made our journey unique. You will be in our heart.  
With love from Thorunn and family.*



Thorunn - March 24, 2022 at 05:03 PM

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“ *Sigrún was the sister of my grandpa. In her i had a warm, welcoming and open friend. She was very direct and spoke openly even about difficult matters. I started visiting her and her beloved husband Earl in Orlando in 1998. They welcomed me every time with open arms and we had good times. Sigrún was a beautiful and elegant woman, a true friend.  
I pray that she is in peace with her loved ones* ❤️🙏



Sunna - March 22, 2022 at 11:49 AM

LG

“Runa was a second mother to me a warm loving woman. They were our neighbor in Connecticut my mother Rosemary and Runa were best friends. We were always over each other houses and back yards always laughter. Years ago when my father Arthur and Runa were 80 we came to Florida with my husband Brian and our 2 girls Alyssa and Samantha we had the best time all of us together at Disney Betty would meet us as well a wonderful memories. You will be missed Love ❤️ Laura,Brian, Alyssa and Samantha

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**Laura glasow** - March 21, 2022 at 11:26 PM

MN

“My mom and Runa met during the war. They became fast friends immediately and they have been lifelong friends ever since. We all will miss her and treasure the moments we had with her. You were very well loved.

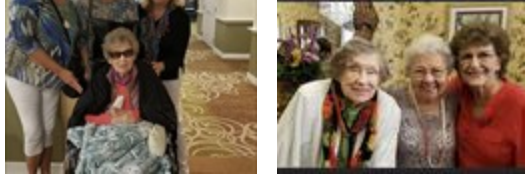


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**Marsha Nash** - March 07, 2022 at 12:39 PM

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“ I always enjoyed getting Runa, and our moms together for our mother daughter luncheon's.  
Praying you'll be comforted  
with precious memories  
and God's presence  
to care for you in your loss.



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**Donna (DJ) Brett** - March 03, 2022 at 08:30 AM

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**Donna (DJ) Brett** - March 03, 2022 at 08:02 AM