

Response from David Demmy, Executive Director, SUVCW:

Dear Sister Ramona, I want to thank you and members of your staff for the many emails and cards of condolence to me and my children upon the recent death of my wife Marilyn Demmy. She fought the hard battle for a year with her rare cancer in mid-December. Our children have been taking her difficult death very hard; and I have been living day to day with her memories. Her image is posted outside my office door, so every day when I arrive at headquarters, I can immediately say, "hi sweetheart"!

The cards are stacked up about 6" high and I received another one today at the office. It is amazing the number of folks that have sent their condolences one way or another. It is grand to be a member of our civil war community and the allied orders. I have met and have so many friends and associates just by being a member of our brotherhood along with the ladies organizations. I'm sad and hurt but have the support of so many --- It's a blessings....

If I can be of service to you, please contact me!

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty

David W. Demmy, Sr., Executive Director

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**Marilyn Jean (Smith) Demmy**, 67, of Harrisburg, joined her Lord on December 16th, 2017 at her home.

Born May 31, 1950 in Harrisburg, she was the daughter of the late Harry Smith and Evelyn (Springer) Smith of Carlisle.

Marilyn was a 1968 graduate of Central Dauphin High School. Following high school, she became an honor student at Maryland Medical Secretarial School, graduating in 1970. She worked for the former Tristan's Associates at Polyclinic Radiology Department, the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue, was secretary to the Assistant Attorney General, and, after returning to the medical field, retired from Harrisburg Gastroenterology. Marilyn was also a Princess House supervisor, for which she won a number of sales awards.

She was very crafty and was a school room helper to her children's teachers. A seamstress, she made suits for husband David, baby blankets for many of the children in the family, and baby bibs for many friends' babies.

Marilyn served in her church, Crosspoint United Methodist Church, with her musical talents and co-directed the children's choir with her sister Patti for over 20 years.

Surviving is her loving husband of 45 years, David W. Demmy, Sr.; her children, David W. Demmy, Jr, Harrisburg, Jonathan S. Demmy (and his wife, Melissa), Enola, and Jennifer L. Demmy, Harrisburg, 2 grandchildren, Aubree Demmy and Jameson Demmy; her

mother, Evelyn Smith, Carlisle; her sister, Patricia A. Lusk-Robison (and her husband, Jeff Robison), Enola, her brother, Ronald E. Smith (and his wife, Robin), sister-in-laws, Debbie Livingston (and her husband, Larry) and Heidi Stanalonis (and her husband, Paul), as well as several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held 12:00 PM Thursday, December 21, 2017 at Crosspoint United Methodist Church, 430 Colonial Road, Harrisburg, with the Rev. David Biser, her pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery.

There will be a viewing at the church Thursday from 10:00 AM until 11:30 AM.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 897, Hershey, 17033-0897.

Kimmel Funeral Home, Harrisburg, is handling arrangements.