



James "Jimmy" Gordon Smith

April 6, 1943 - January 31, 2018

On Wednesday, January 31, 2018, surrounded by his loving family, James "Jimmy" Smith, 74 passed away peacefully of unexpected natural causes and went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. A devout Christian, Jimmy spent his entire life providing for his family and studying the bible.

James "Jimmy" Smith was born on April 6, 1943, in Independence, Missouri. He was the son of Gordon and Bessie Smith. Jimmy attended William Chrisman High School, Independence, Missouri. Following graduation, Jimmy worked as a foreman at Lipton Tea Company. He also served as a reserve police officer on the Independence Police Department where he served on the residential security detail for former President of the United States, Harry S. Truman. In 1980 Jimmy decided to change careers earning his CDL drivers license and accepting a truck driving position with the then new Frito-Lay corn chip plant in Frankfort, IN. Over the course of a 25 year truck driving career, Jimmy set new company records driving over a million accident free miles. In his off time, Jimmy ran a small tool sharpening business and had a passion for raising and showing fancy pigeons. In his retirement years, Jimmy earned a certificate in watchmaking and enjoyed repairing watches.

Jimmy is survived by his former wife, Karen Barrett and his children Gordon Smith, Angie Leavitt, Arlon Smith, Seth Smith, and Eli Smith. Two of his children are veterans, Seth served in the U.S. Air Force and Arlon remains on

active duty as an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Jimmy will be missed dearly by family and friends.

A Celebration of Life service will be held Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 11:00AM at the Harrodsburg United Methodist Church in Harrodsburg, Indiana.

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37 is handling the arrangements and online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

FEB 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Harrodsburg Methodist Church
9254 S 3rd Ave
Harrodsburg, IN 47403

Tribute Wall

DB

“ Hi, this is David Burlash in Frankfort, In. I am so sorry to here of Jimmy's passing. I always considered him a very dear friend. We had so many times sharing while he worked at Frito Lay. He was always a fine example of what a dedicated Christian should be. I'm proud to say I knew him and miss the good times we had together.
David

Dave Burlash - February 04, 2018 at 09:43 PM

JC

“ Jimmy was part of our company for a short year, but made a major contribution and a big mark. I will look at the projects he built more fondly now.
Go Rest High Jimmy!

*Jeff Chynoweth
Phillips Saw & Tool
Frankfort, Indiana*

Jeff Chynoweth - February 04, 2018 at 06:51 PM