



L. Wayne Smith

November 4, 1937 - November 14, 2016

DELMAR- L. Wayne Smith, 79, of Delmar, died Monday, November 14, 2016 at Davey's Assisted Living in Pocomoke, where he had resided for the past two years.

He was born November 4, 1937 in Salisbury, a son of the late Edward and Lottie Smith. Mr. Smith served in the US Army from 1959-1962. He retired from Delmarva Power. He was involved in the Knights of Columbus, Delmar Lions Club and the Delmar High School band. He was very active in coaching youth sports at the Salvation Army Boy's Club, where he served as Athletic Director. His love of sports began at the age of 16 with the VFW City Industrial League as a left-handed pitcher. He was also a member of the International Association of Basketball Officials. He enjoyed college and professional football as well.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Gloria Smith; a son, Thomas Smith and wife, Megan of Fruitland; grandsons, Brayden and Evan; a brother, John W. Smith and wife Ethel Ann of Forest, Virginia; a sister, Mary Virginia Carter and husband, John of Bedford, VA; a sister-in-law, Josephine Smith of Salisbury; brothers and sisters-in-law, Joseph and Kim DiRocco of Ft Washington, Maryland and James and Judy DiRocco of Bedford, Virginia; several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews; and a lifelong friend, Ronnie Willey and wife, Joyce of Salisbury.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Michael W. Smith; and three brothers, Roland, Norris and James Smith.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, November 21, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in Delmar, where family and friends may call from 10:00 to 11:00. Interment with military honors will follow at St. Stephen's Cemetery in Delmar.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to Coastal Hospice, P.O. Box 1733, Salisbury, MD 21802 or the Alzheimer's Association, 108 N Bedford St, Georgetown, DE 19947.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home, Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Stephen's Cemetery

State Street
Delmar, DE 19940

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Redeemer Catholic Church
Bi-State Blvd. & Chestnut Street
Delmar, MD

Service

NOV 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Redeemer Catholic Church
Bi-State Blvd. & Chestnut Street
Delmar, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *L. Wayne Smith*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *Gloria...very sorry to hear of Wayne's passing. We were unable to attend the Funeral due to a doctor's appointment. I didn't realize you had been married for 52 years, even though we have been in the neighborhood for 25.*



Our best wishes go out to you and your family and pray that you will be surrounded by the gracious hands of God.

God bless.

Preston and Ruth Tawes - November 21, 2016 at 12:59 PM



“ *Ruth Downing Bunting And Jack sent a virtual gift in memory of L. Wayne Smith*



Ruth Downing Bunting and Jack - November 21, 2016 at 09:48 AM