



Carl S. Smith, Sr.

December 9, 1940 - March 4, 2018

Mr. Carl S. Smith, Sr., age 77 of Douglas, passed away Sunday morning, March 4, 2018, at his residence following a brief illness. Mr. Smith was born, December 9, 1940 to the late Paul Leroy Smith and the late Ruth Ward Smith. Other than his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Judy C. Smith and 1 brother, John Roy Smith, Sr.

Mr. Smith, a native of Telfair County, retired from the Coffee County School System as a custodian at Indian Creek School. He had also served in the Georgia National Guard. He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Mr. Smith was a member of Salem New Congregation Church of the Bickley Community.

Survivors include:

His wife: Mary Lois Turner Smith of Douglas, GA

4 Children: Nena Highsmith of Broxton, GA; Carl Stanley Smith, Jr. of Milan, GA; Harold Smith of Dayville, Connecticut and Carla Smith of Douglas, GA

12 Grandchildren

11 Great-Grandchildren

Several Nieces, Nephews, Cousins and a host of friends.

The funeral service was held Thursday, March 8, 2018, at 3:00 P.M. at the Chapel of Ricketson Funeral Home, with Rev. Jerry Martin and Rev. John Thomas officiating. The interment followed at Macedonia Cemetery in Telfair County.

Active Pallbearers were: Jared Highsmith, Taylor Smith, Cody Smith, Michael Griffis, Andrew Griffin, Mason Smith and Jonathan Taylor.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Gary Montford, John B. Walker, Ronnie Waldroup, John Thomas Hulett, Billy Joe Adams and Wendell Stone.

Special Musical Selections, "Humble and Kind" was presented by Taped Music, "Old Rugged Cross," "Just A Closer Walk" and "Amazing Grace" were presented by the soloist and pianist, Amber Jones. "Pre-Lude" and "Post-Lude" soft hymns were rendered by the Pianist, Amber Jones.

Ricketson Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Macedonia Baptist Church Cemetery (Telfair County)

Macedonia Church Road
McRae, GA 31055

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc.
305 West Ward Street
Douglas, GA 31533
(912) 384-1155
ricketsonfunhm@windstream.net
<https://www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 8. 3:00 PM (ET)

Ricketson Funeral Home Chapel
305 West Ward Street
Douglas, GA 31533

Tribute Wall



“ *Carl S. Smith, Sr.*

November 08, 2022 at 06:41 PM



“ *Connie Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.*



Connie Wilson - March 08, 2018 at 03:20 PM



“ *Stanley, Laura, Taylor and Ellie,
So sorry to hear about your Dad. You are very dear to us and we
are thinking about you and are keeping you in our prayers.
Much love, Donald and Priscilla*

Priscilla W Whitman - March 08, 2018 at 10:16 AM



“ *Brent And Angelia Rucker lit a candle in
memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.*



Brent and Angelia Rucker - March 08, 2018 at 08:02 AM

TS

“ *Mr. Carl was so special to me. He was one of the hardest working people that I have ever known. He was so dependable. He always did whatever we needed him to! We all love him very much!*
Theresa Sears

Theresa Sears - March 08, 2018 at 04:52 AM

JJ

“ *Mr. Carl was the best! He was always willing to help and do whatever was asked of him. I always enjoyed talking to him whether it was about school, fishing, or his family. He'd unlock my door with a smile every time I forgot my key and never complained. Friendly, kind, soft spoken and dependable are all words to describe Mr. Carl. He will be missed. Prayers for his family.*

Judy Johnson

Judy Johnson - March 07, 2018 at 08:18 PM

MR

“ *Nena, So sorry to read of your dad's passing. God bless you and your family.*
Marlene King (Bush) Rickards

Marlene King Richards - March 07, 2018 at 06:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carl S. Smith, Sr..*



March 07, 2018 at 01:25 PM



“ Sue Mobley lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.

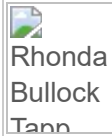


Sue Mobley - March 06, 2018 at 09:58 PM

CR

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Sending prayers your way on wings of angels.
Claude Rivers

Claude L Rivers - March 06, 2018 at 06:38 PM



Rhonda
Bullock
Tapp

“ Stanley, Laura, Taylor, and Ellie we are so sorry for your loss. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers.



Lemar and Rhonda Tapp

Rhonda Bullock Tapp - March 06, 2018 at 05:10 PM

WS

“ Mr. Carl was such a sweet and kind person and always willing to help. I very much enjoyed getting to know him when I began working at Indian Creek. Deepest sympathies and prayers for your family's loss but I know it is Heaven's gain.
Wanda Shook

Wanda Shook - March 06, 2018 at 04:41 PM

LG

“ *Lewis Gurley Family Axson GA lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.*



Lewis Gurley Family Axson GA - March 06, 2018 at 09:19 AM

NG

“ *Nicholas & Morgan Hernandez Pembroke GA lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.*



Nicholas & Morgan Hernandez Pembroke GA - March 06, 2018 at 09:18 AM

AC

“ *Adrian & Ashley Hernandez Oceanside CA lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.*



Adrian & Ashley Hernandez Oceanside CA - March 06, 2018 at 09:17 AM

VF

“ *Vera L Delk Family lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.*



Vera L Delk Family - March 06, 2018 at 09:16 AM

LF

“ *Lynn(Gurley) Hernandez Family lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.*



Lynn(Gurley) Hernandez Family - March 06, 2018 at 09:15 AM

WG

“ *WYLENE & LAYNE GURLEY lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.*

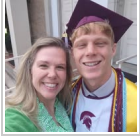


WYLENE & LAYNE GURLEY - March 06, 2018 at 09:14 AM

BR

“ *Family, I have been reading all the great things people have been saying about your dad, granddad, they knew him kind gentle and smiling, that was him I guess no one spent more time in their younger days than carl and my brother William, what great memories of carl and his family many days and nights fishing and hunting the Ocmulgee. The last time I seen him was at Williams funeral, he was telling me stories of him and William fishing and hunting what great stories , because I knew they all were true. God Bless each of you especially during this time of your loss its not easy to lose a love one but we all have to that's life but its hard still to give them up.*

Billy Register - March 06, 2018 at 08:30 AM



“ At Indian Creek Elementary, Mr. Carl was the first person we saw every single morning as we came in. He was the first smile, the first wave, and the first 'good morning' greeting. He set the tone...and it was always a good one. Friendly, kind, and uniquely Mr. Carl! As I traveled the halls, Mr. Carl would see me and stop to speak. He'd always ask how the day was going. If I asked for his assistance, I could always count on him. Sometimes, he'd just stop and chat about his family and going fishing. He was such a nice man, and I'm glad I got a chance to know him. My prayers go out to his family and friends...we will miss Mr. Carl.

Teresa LeBrocq - March 06, 2018 at 06:11 AM

DB

“ Deborah Boyd lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.



Deborah Boyd - March 06, 2018 at 01:20 AM

DJ

“ Dora Jardine lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.



Dora Jardine - March 05, 2018 at 11:14 PM

LD

“ Lynn Daniel lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.



Lynn Daniel - March 05, 2018 at 08:48 PM

RS

“ Mr. Carl was a soft spoken, kind gentleman. He was a family man and was loved by the faculty at Indian Creek. He didn't need to tell you what kind of man he was, his actions showed it. I'm glad I had the privilege of working with him and being able to call him a friend. Prayers for his family during this most difficult time.
Ronda Sports

Ronda Sports - March 05, 2018 at 07:20 PM

SC

“ Mr Carl was one of a kind. He was kind to all that he met. You did not have to talk to him long before he mentioned his wife and children. He loves you all so much. He also loved to talk about the grandkids. He was proud of you all. I for one from the Creek had so much respect for this great man.

Sherri Carver - March 05, 2018 at 06:26 PM

JH

“ Jane & Earl Hilliard lit a candle in memory of Carl S. Smith, Sr.



Jane & Earl Hilliard - March 05, 2018 at 04:12 PM