



Ward "Smitty" Smith

August 8, 1934 - March 9, 2013

Ward "Smitty" Smith, 78, of Arlington, passed away March 9, 2013 at his home in Arlington. He was born August 8, 1934 in Elnora, IN. to Beecher & Louise (Hoese) Smith. He was a 1952 graduate of Arsenal Tech High School. Smitty joined the US Navy in the Fall of 1952 where he served on the USS Newport News. He also served in the Indiana National Guard. Smitty married Jeanette Dortch on May 3, 1995 and she survives.

He retired from Ford Motor Company in Indianapolis after 30 years. Smitty was a member of the Arlington Christian Church, UAW Local #1111 and was a former member of the Indianapolis Masonic Lodge F & AM.

In addition to his wife, Jeanette, of Arlington, he is survived by sons, Michael Smith of GA., Chris Smith of Greenwood and John Smith of St. Paul, IN., a daughter, Jana & husband Matt Waldon of Greenwood, a step son, James Dortch of Cumberland, IN., and a step daughter, Debbie & husband Jim Atwell of Noblesville, a sister, Mary Jo Gluff of FL., 11 grandchildren and 1 great grandson. He was preceded in death by his parents and 2 grandsons, Justin & Andy.

Services will be held at 11 AM Friday, March 15 at the Arlington Christian Church in Rush County. Friends are welcome to visit from 6-8PM on Thursday at Moster Mortuary, Rushville. The Rush County Veteran's Honor Guard will provide military rites at the church on Friday. Bob Brock will preside.

Memorial contributions may be made to Saint Vincent de Paul, Arlington Christian Church or Decatur County Hospice. Envelopes will be provided at

the mortuary.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ward "Smitty" Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Ward "Smitty" Smith.*



March 13, 2013 at 05:30 PM



“ *I will always remember how you and Janette always welcomed me and my children into your home. My fondest memories are of going to your home for dinner, or a cookout. You loved food and family. I am very sad that your great grandson will miss out on that I will try to let him know how great the man is that he is named for but nothing will compare to you being there. You will be missed.*

Tammy Edrington - March 13, 2013 at 05:49 AM



“ *Tammy Edrington lit a candle in memory of Ward "Smitty" Smith*



Tammy Edrington - March 13, 2013 at 05:27 AM