



## William "Bill" E. Smith

September 21, 1943 - November 20, 2017

William E. Smith, 74, a longtime Rush County resident, passed away November 20, 2017 in Rushville. He was born September 21, 1943 in Batesville to Ervin D. & Dorothy Belle (Hammons) Smith. Bill spent his early life in Rush County and then his family moved to Shelbyville, KY where he was a 1962 graduate of Shelby County High School. He went to Eastern Kentucky University and then studied Electronics in Evansville, IN. He married Nancy Clemmons on July 17, 1965 and they returned to Rush County in 1974.

Bill was a grain merchandiser, farmer & entrepreneur in Agri-business. He owned & operated Rush County Grain/Morristown Grain and Lotus Grain and also owned/operated his own short-line railroad. He served on the board & as consultant to the ECDC in Rush County. Bill always had a real zest for life, for his family and for his many business ventures. He enjoyed flying his Ultra-Lite he had built and he also enjoyed riding motorcycles. He was a longtime member & past deacon and trustee of the Rushville First Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Nancy, of Rushville, his daughters, Shannon (Nathan) Schmidt of Holland, MI and Leslie Stock of Napa, CA, a son, Chris (Caroline) Smith of Rush County, sisters, Donna Jean Runner of Sealy, TX, Judy Vandenburg of Sellersburg, IN and Sally (Don) Heffke of Laughlin, NV and grandchildren, Allie, Kristen, Jenna & Olivia Smith and Konrad Schmidt. Services will be held at 2 PM Saturday, November 25, 2017 in the Rushville First Baptist Church. Friends are welcome to visit from 2-6 PM on Friday,

November 24 at the church. Graveside service will be held at 3 PM Monday, November 27, 2017 in the Grove Hill Cemetery in Shelbyville, KY. There will be visitation after 1 PM on Monday at Shannon Funeral Service @ 1124 W. Main St., Shelbyville, KY. 40065. Rev. Dr. Dave Richardson will preside. Memorial contributions may be made to Gideon's International or the Rushville First Baptist Church.

# Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" E. Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *Carfield lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith*



**Carfield** - November 27, 2017 at 07:04 AM



“ *Carfield Family lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith*



**Carfield Family** - November 27, 2017 at 07:03 AM



“ *Keith Carfield Family lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith*



**Keith Carfield Family** - November 27, 2017 at 07:01 AM

MP

“ Mike And Christy Pavey lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith



Mike and Christy Pavey - November 26, 2017 at 07:54 AM

PB

“ Peggy Barrett lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith



Peggy Barrett - November 24, 2017 at 11:34 PM

JD

“ Jacqueline Duke lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith



jacqueline duke - November 24, 2017 at 08:28 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William "Bill" E. Smith.



November 24, 2017 at 02:23 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William "Bill" E. Smith.*



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November 24, 2017 at 09:39 AM



“ *Scottsoutherland lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith*



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**Scottsoutherland** - November 23, 2017 at 05:52 PM



“ *We, Fred, Wanda, Colin & Eyn Philips, all have great memories of riding the train and walking the land for more years than I can remember. Thank you Bill, and Nancy, for making that all possible. RIP my friend. Fred Philips, DVM*

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**Fred Philips** - November 23, 2017 at 10:05 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William "Bill" E. Smith.*



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November 23, 2017 at 09:51 AM

Sarah Childers

“ Sarah Childers lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith



Sarah Childers - November 22, 2017 at 11:00 PM

DJ

“ Debbie Holland Johnson lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith



Debbie Holland Johnson - November 22, 2017 at 09:09 PM

SM

“ Steve Mackey lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith



Steve Mackey - November 22, 2017 at 09:00 PM



“ Kina Arnett lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith



Kina Arnett - November 22, 2017 at 05:49 PM

PH

“ *My brother, Benny and I used to have such good times at the Smith farm. They lived near creek, so we would play in the creek with his sisters. His mom made the best cakes ever.*



*At one time, my brother was married to Billy's sister Donna, They were always family to us.. Billy was dearly loved by his family and will be missed by many friends.*

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**Phyllis and Doug Hughes** - November 22, 2017 at 04:28 PM

MS

“ *Mick Saunders lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith*



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**Mick Saunders** - November 22, 2017 at 08:36 AM

SW

“ *Steve Ward lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Smith*



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**Steve Ward** - November 21, 2017 at 10:38 AM