



Lawrence Edward Smith Sr.

February 12, 1935 - November 16, 2015

Lawrence Edward Smith Sr. 80 lifelong resident of St. Albans, passed away following a long illness on Monday November 16, 2015.

The youngest son of the late Howard Hill and Myrtle Winnie Smith, Lawrence was born in Russell, Ky on February 12th in 1935. Living most of his childhood in St. Albans he was a proud St. Albans High School Red Dragon graduating in 1953, lettering in football, basketball and baseball. He used his talent and knowledge of sports to coach the St. Albans Bitty Basketball league. He also served as President of the St. Albans Little League.

Lawrence married his high school sweetheart, Wanda Lee in 1954 and they raised their family of four children. Over the years, Lawrence enjoyed being behind the camera as an avid photographer, spending time at his camp in Pocahontas County and cheering on the Mountaineers. Lawrence began working for Bell Atlantic in 1953 and retired with 43 years of service in 1997. He also served with the 150th West Virginia National Guard achieving the rank of 1st Lieutenant.

After retirement, Lawrence could always be found enjoying time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Filling up his bird feeders to catch a glimpse of a cardinal or hummingbird and enjoying the cool evenings chatting with his neighbors on his front porch.

Lawrence was preceded in death by his daughter, Lurhesa Lynn Pence and his sons Lawrence "Larry" Smith Jr. and Mark Allen Smith.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda; daughter, Pamela Thursack and her husband Tom. His grandchildren, Tauletha Chaffin, Justin Pence and Kelsey Smith and his great-grandchildren Landon, Max, Addison, Brooklyn and Kenlee.

The funeral service will be held at 1:00 pm Friday, November 20, 2015 at Bartlett-Chapman Funeral Home, St. Albans with Pastor David Smith officiating. Burial will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans.

Visitation will be held two hours prior to the service on Friday.

Visit www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned and located at 409 Sixth Avenue, St. Albans is honored to serve the Smith family.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park

815 Cunningham Lane
Saint Albans, WV 25177

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 20. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bartlett-Chapman Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence Edward Smith Sr.*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *Lawrence and I became personal friends when we served in the Wv National Guard together and attended Officers Candiate School. We also went to AOB at Ft. Knox,Ky. and served in the Berlin crises at Ft. Meade, Md. together. Lawrence will be missed. Tom Crutchfield.*

Tom Crutchfield - November 19, 2015 at 11:06 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lawrence Edward Smith Sr..*



November 19, 2015 at 09:28 AM



“ *My husband and I had the honor of meeting this wonderful man and the rest of the family about 30 years ago when we became neighbors and immediate best friends with his daughter Lynn and her husband Greg. So sorry to hear of his passing. My heart and prayers are with hid sweet wife and the rest of the family.*

Rick and Sandy Counts - November 18, 2015 at 04:38 PM

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“ *Roselynn Holland Rowe sent a virtual gift in memory of Lawrence Edward Smith Sr.*



Roselynn Holland Rowe - November 18, 2015 at 02:58 PM

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frank - November 18, 2015 at 08:50 AM

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Wow....this was many years ago!!! Out at uncle Bobs farm!

pam - November 18, 2015 at 05:39 PM