



James M. Smith

July 12, 1941 - December 11, 2016

James M. "Paw" Smith age 75 of Vance, AL went home to be with Lord on December 11, 2016. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and a 100 % dedicated family man. He served his country in Vietnam with the U.S. Army. He was preceded in death by his wife, Judy Smith; parents, Searcy and Lula Belle Smith; brothers, Wyman Smith, Douglas Smith and Charles Smith; sister, Idell Medders. James is survived by his sister, Sybil Pierce; children, Janie (Richard) Kelly and Jason Smith; grandchildren, Brittainie (Brian) Shirley, Josh (Amber) Crawford, Dustin (Katie) Smith, Cris Donahoo and Madison Smith; great grandchildren, Brookelyn Crawford, Paisley Shirley and Harper Shirley. Visitation will be Wednesday, December 14, 2016 from 6 PM until 8 PM at McCalla Memorial Funeral Home. Graveside service will be Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 11 AM at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Grove Baptist Cemetery

20043 Pleasant Grove Road
Vance, AL 35490

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

DEC **14**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McCalla Memorial Funeral Home
4780 Letson Farms Parkway
Mc Calla, AL 35111
(205) 477-4888
info@mccallamemorialfuneralhome.com

Graveside Service

DEC **15**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Pleasant Grove Baptist Cemetery
20043 Pleasant Grove Road
Vance, AL 35490

Tribute Wall

JG

“ *Janie and Jason: I am so very sorry for your loss. I feel awful that I did not even know your dad passed away. I did not stay on Facebook everyday and no one even told me by Word of Mouth. My childhood would not have been the same without you and your family in it. Your dad was always picking on me and making me laugh and smile. And when he lost your mom, when I went to see him, he told me he did not know, how he was going to carry on without her. I told him to hold on to the LOVE, ADMIRATION and PRECIOUS MEMORIES. Those two shared a love, I had never seen before. Your mom and your dad or two of the hardest-working people I have ever met. And yes I know, those places in your heart will never heal. The loss of a parent never really goes away. If there's anything I can do for either of you, I am here. My thoughts and prayers are with you today, tomorrow, and FOREVER. I love you both.*

*Sincerely,
Joy Criss Gibson*

Joy Gibson - December 29, 2016 at 10:29 AM



“ *I hadn't been around James in many years. I remember as a teenager, running around with Jason and Janie, and spending the night at their house. He was always a very laid back, kind and a very generous man. I'm sure he got mad at all of us from time to time but he was always their for his family. He will be missed greatly. We are praying for yall.*

Love,

Stoney Oglesby and Family

Stoney Oglesby - December 14, 2016 at 07:42 AM

PB

“ I will always remember how sweet this man was to me and my family. My daddy BC Herrington loved James. He enjoyed going to the shop and carrying on with all their stories and tells. James you were a good man.

Patsy Herrington Ballard - December 13, 2016 at 11:49 AM

DS

“ NEVER FORGET THE BEST OF NEIGHBORS WELL NEVER FORGET THE HELP THE GOOD TIMES THE HUNTS THE HORSE RIDES WE SPENT WITH JAMES AN JUDY YOU'LL BE MISSED . FROM DON AN PAM SHORT.

DON SHORT - December 13, 2016 at 09:48 AM

TM

“ Growing up I remember Mr. James always working on cars, if you had a question about a car he would tell you how to fix it or fix it for you. He was a very loving and caring man and will be greatly missed. My Sympathy to the family at this time.... Tonya Mitchell

Tonya Mitchell - December 12, 2016 at 10:34 PM

PP

“ So sorry for your loss but by all that I have read on Facebook post that all that knew him received a blessing. God give comfort and peace to this family. Phyllis Pyle



phyllis pyle - December 12, 2016 at 07:49 PM