



Mr. John Lee Smith

May 11, 1949 - May 10, 2024

Mr. John Lee Smith, 74, of Peoria transitioned from this life to a better place at 2:00 p.m. on May 10, 2024, at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center. John was born on May 11th, 1949, in Paris, TX to Hargie Smith and Australia Fulsome. John was an Army veteran and served in the Vietnam War from 1968 to 1969. He received an Honorable discharge after his injuries and was awarded the purple heart.

John was a good man with a generous heart. Anyone that needed his help only had to ask. John loved to play chess, fish, and hunt even after his injuries, he continued to enjoy those things until his health began to fail.

John was preceded in death by his wife: Leatha Smith, father, Hargie Smith, mother, Australia Whittaker, brother, Richard Whittaker and a baby daughter, Juanita Smith.

John leaves to cherish his precious memories; one daughter, Alicia Smith; two sons: Daniel Smith of Lehigh Acres, FL and Eric Hines of Peoria, IL; four brothers: James Smith, Hargie Smith Jr., Kevin (Michelle) Smith, Greg MacNeary all of Peoria; four sisters: Winnie Elmore, Rosie Smith of Peoria, IL, Brenda Clark of Las Vegas, NV and Linda Jones of Detroit, Michigan; five grandchildren: five grandchildren: Kayla Smith, Koby Smith both of Peoria, Davonte Smith of Frankford, KY, Brittany Renee Stambach of Peoria, and Tamaira Sturdivant of Jackson, TN; five great grandchildren, and many loving

nieces, nephews and cousins and friends, (Tanya Davis). John is no longer in our presence but forever in our hearts.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held on May 25, 2024, at T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel Funeral Home from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Army Rites will be presented. Arrangements were prepared especially for the "Smith" family and professionally directed by T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel. Live streaming can be viewed by clicking the link for TW Parks Colonial Chapel Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/twparkscolonialchapel>. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Mr. John Lee Smith please visit our Sympathy Store.

Inurnment is Private.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **25**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel
201 N. Mac Arthur Hwy
Peoria, IL 61605
twparksc@yahoo.com

Tribute Wall

AS

“ In loving memory of my first luv ,my hero and I want to thank God for blessing me with you as my daddy who had the heart of gold I'm really miss our talks your hugs and just being with you watching TV shows Like Deal or Deal Island was one of our favorite shows we would watching together every since it aired. I miss you so much daddy not a second goes by that I'm not miss you .I'm lost without you my heart is so broken cause I don't have you. we're my everything.I will always be your daddy's little girl . I luv you daddy and miss you forever ❤️



Alicia Smith - December 23, 2024 at 04:36 PM

RS

“ I didn't know that John had passed away, I moved to Chicago suburbs in 2009, John Smith was one of the best most genuine person I've ever had the pleasure of meeting. I know his family 🙏💜 I send you my sincere condolences this is Roosevelt Stuckey aka Boo Boo Stuckey I'm so sorry 😞

Roosevelt Stuckey - July 31, 2024 at 11:50 AM

AS

Thank you Roosevelt Stuckey for the kind words of my dad this is daughter Alicia Smith replying back. God bless your Family

Alicia Smith - December 23, 2024 at 04:10 PM

MP

“ *Mancy Pittman lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lee Smith*



Mancy Pittman - May 30, 2024 at 11:52 PM

RH

“ *Rena Webster Horton lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lee Smith*



Rena Webster Horton - May 27, 2024 at 12:47 AM

MS

“ *John will definitely be missed* 🥺

Mamie Moss Smith - May 24, 2024 at 02:26 PM

MM

“ *Nothing but great memories. You will be greatly missed*



Michelle Moss - May 18, 2024 at 08:13 PM

MS

“ I've known John for around 58 or 59 years very nice soft spoken guy that would give you the shirt off his back he was very easy going guy may he now rest in peace

Mamie Moss Smith - May 18, 2024 at 07:13 PM

RP

“ Ruth Powell lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lee Smith



Ruth Powell - May 14, 2024 at 12:13 AM

IW

Sharing the fourth grade with John and through this journey I will cherish the precious Memories ❤️

Icelene Wilson - May 18, 2024 at 06:07 PM