



Bobby K. Smith

February 3, 1939 - September 2, 2021

Bobby (Bob) K. Smith, age 82, of Conroe, Texas, formerly of Bradley, IL, passed away Thursday, September 2, 2021 at Houston Methodist the Woodlands Hospital. He was born February 3, 1939 in Cobden, Illinois, the son of Roy Lee Smith and Thelma Louise (Bloodworth) Smith. He married Connie Sue Rich, of Anna, Illinois on September 13, 1958.

Bob proudly served in the United States Army 101st Airborne Screaming Eagles from May 28, 1957 to March of 1960. He worked at General Foods in Kankakee, IL for 33 years, retiring in 1995. He then went on to manage a family-owned Laundromat with his wife Connie for 10 years, in Bourbonnais, IL. Bob was passionate about flying and was a licensed private pilot, a hobby he enjoyed in retirement. In retirement, he also drove a school bus for the Manteno Public Schools. He loved God, his beloved wife Connie, and his family dearly.

Bob also loved serving in his church, Kankakee Gospel Assembly, where he was an Elder for 50 years. He never missed an opportunity to serve as a lunch monitor and to spend time with the kids at school. He loved bringing his loyal canine companion, Barney, to visit with the students. Bob had a heart of gold, a true servant of the Lord and he served wherever he could. Bob was also a super fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and cheered for whoever played against the Chicago Cubs.

Surviving him are his wife, Connie Smith of Conroe, Texas; three sons and three daughters-in-law, Michael and Sharon Smith of Bradley, IL, Jeffrey and Karla Smith of Limestone, IL, Timothy and Denise Smith of Houston, TX; one daughter and son-in-law, Cherie (Smith) and Wayne Roberts of Conroe, Texas; 10 grandchildren, Amy Riley, Heather Smith, Rachel Abraham, Brent Smith, Bryan Smith, Logan Smith, Haley Rhudy, Collin Smith, Ryan Smith and Austin Burge; 11 great-grandchildren; three sisters-in-law, Sue Smith of Bradley, IL, Pat Smith of Harrisburg, IL, and Pat Boie of Bradley, IL; and many nieces and nephews. Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Thelma Smith; five brothers Roy Jr, Charles, Donald, Bill, and Gordan; two sisters, Marietta and Evelyn, and one infant sister, Dorothy.

Visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 11, 2021 at Kankakee Gospel Assembly in Bourbonnais.

Interment will be held at 12:00 noon on Monday, September 13, 2021 at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, IL.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421
(815) 423-9958
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/abrahamlincoln.asp>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee Gospel Assembly Church
1706 W State Route 102 # A
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 939-1511

Funeral Service

SEP 11. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Bobby K. Smith

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ I always enjoyed pilot talk with Bob at Quaker, he was one of my favorite people there.

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“ Bob was a good friend and my brother in the Lord. We worked together for several years at Manteno District driving a bus. My favorite memory is talking about the Lord with him. I love Bob and Connie and his family. I will trurr we Ky miss him. May God comfort you all.

Brenda Williams - September 08, 2021 at 01:55 PM