



## Douglas "Doug" Matthew Smith, Jr.

October 15, 1937 - February 11, 2023

Douglas "Doug" Matthew Smith, Jr., age 85 of Wheeling, passed away Sunday, February 11, 2023 at home, surrounded by his family. He was born October 15, 1937 in Wheeling, WV son of the late Douglas M. Smith, Sr. and Helen Theresa Balash Smith.

Doug was a retired switchman from the former C&P Telephone Company, with over 30 years of service. He was a member of the Telephone Pioneers and the Elm Grove Eagles, a part time employee at Wheeling Park, enjoyed golfing, bowling and fishing, was a Catholic by faith and a US Army veteran. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by one sister: Katherine "Kitty" McCready.

Survivors include his wife, of 58 years, Peggy Ferguson Smith; one son: Michael (Dannie) Smith of Wheeling; one brother: Joseph "Smokey" Smith of Wheeling; six grandchildren: Allison (Chase) Byrne, Michael (Kristin) Smith, Brendan, Declan, Liadan and Madigan Smith; expected great grandson: Wren Byrne and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 2-4 & 6-8pm at the Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 1 Ridgecrest Road, Bethlehem/Wheeling with Rosary Devotions and Vigil service being recited at 7:30pm.

Funeral Liturgy with Mass will be celebrated on Thursday at 10:00am at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, 690 Mt. Olivet Road, Wheeling with Fr. Joseph Augustine as celebrant.

Entombment in Park View Memorial Gardens Mausoleum, Wheeling.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Our Lady of Peace Parish School,  
690 Mt. Olivet Road, Wheeling, WV 26003.

# Cemetery Details

## Park View Memorial Gardens

Wheeling, WV 26003

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 15. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory- Wheeling/Bethlehem  
1 Ridgecrest Road  
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003  
(304) 232-0400  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Visitation

FEB 15. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory- Wheeling/Bethlehem  
1 Ridgecrest Road  
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003  
(304) 232-0400  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Rosary Devotions

FEB 15. 7:30 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory- Wheeling/Bethlehem  
1 Ridgecrest Road  
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003  
(304) 232-0400  
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## Vigil Service

FEB 15. 7:45 PM (ET)

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1 Ridgecrest Road  
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003  
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## Funeral Liturgy with Mass

FEB 16. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church  
690 Mt. Olivet Road  
Wheeling, WV 26003

# Tribute Wall



“ *Grisell Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Douglas "Doug" Matthew Smith. Jr.*



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**Grisell Funeral Homes** - February 14, 2023 at 08:27 PM

GF

*Peggy, I just watched the Tribute Video, it is beautiful.*

*As beautiful as Doug.*

*I saw him last at Good Shepherd and hugged him and we spoke for a while. Every time we saw each other there it was as if it was just old friends caring about each other.*

*He was a gentleman and a wonderful person to know.*

*Never a stranger, always a sweetheart.*

*It was a pleasure to know him through the phone company and beyond.*

*Be strong and know we was loved by many because of the man he was.*

*Wonderful!*

*Remember that everyday.*

*Sincerely,*

*Geneva Templin & Steve Fisher*

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**Geneva E. Templin & Steve Fisher** - February 15, 2023 at 12:16 PM

DG

*Dear Peggy and family , I am Bob Grundys daughter, Debbie . I just saw this on Mr.Smith. How sorry I am that he passed in February. Please know that I showed Mom, Blanche..and she she is quite upset ... know that you are being thought of and in our prayers...*

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**Debbie (Grundy)Brookes &Blanche Grundy** - May 20, 2023 at 04:54 PM

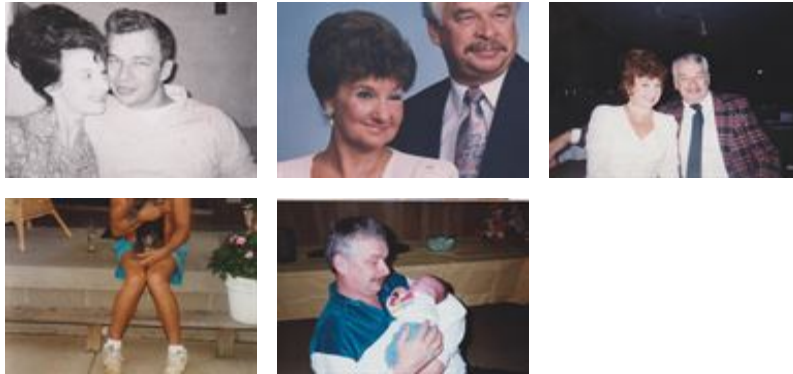
CT

“ Peggy, Michael - thank you for sharing this lovely video with us. It took me back through the years of visiting when my father, Tom Tuttle, brought us on our annual trips to Wheeling to spend time with the bigger family - I loved being a part of it. May the memories o of them all be a blessing to you.

Chana Tuttle - March 11, 2023 at 10:55 PM



“ 258 files added to the album LifeTributes



Grisell Funeral Homes - February 14, 2023 at 07:48 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Douglas "Doug" Matthew Smith. Jr..



February 14, 2023 at 07:17 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Douglas "Doug" Matthew Smith. Jr..*



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February 14, 2023 at 11:18 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,  
  
May your memories of Douglas Matthew Smith Jr., give you peace, comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.*

*My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....*

*US Army Veteran, Douglas Matthew Smith Jr., is “A True American Hero” God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - February 14, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *My sincere and humble condolences to the family and friends of Doug. Denny Albaugh*

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**Dennis R Albaugh** - February 13, 2023 at 08:59 AM