



Milton O. Smith

May 29, 1948 - December 31, 2024

Milton O. Smith, age 76, of New Martinsville, WV, passed away Tuesday, December 31, 2024, at Ruby Memorial Hospital Morgantown, WV.

He was born May 29, 1948, in New Martinsville, WV, a son of the late Okey and Rosa Kocher Smith.

He was a retired police officer for the New Martinsville Police Dept, Christian by faith, and a member of the Moose Lodge # 931 New Martinsville, WV. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, shooting pool and joking and talking with friends. He loved spending time with family and loved ones.

There wasn't a child or pet around that didn't love him, and he loved each of them back. He had a huge heart, maybe to a fault, at times.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Davis Smith; three brothers, Sonny, David and Arnold Smith; and three sisters, Mary Lou Thomas, Thelma Ingold and Dorothy Smith.

Survivors include a daughter, Bonnie (Eric) Ritz of Wheeling, WV; brother, Ralph (Jonee) Smith of New Martinsville, WV; 6 grandchildren, Harlee Dayton, Sara Armstrong, Lacey Frazier, Kaylie Smith, Katie Buckland and Oliver Buckland and 3 great grandchildren, Sophia Parsons, Ricky Dayton and Calliope Dayton, and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Family will receive friends on Tuesday January 7, 2025, from 2-4 & 6-8 pm at the Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory 751 Third St. New Martinsville, WV, where services will be held on Wednesday at 11:00 am with Pastor Mike Shank officiating.

Interment will follow in Northview Cemetery New Martinsville.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville
751 Third Street
New Martinsville, WV 26155
(304) 455-1800
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

Visitation

JAN 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

JAN 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Grisell Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Milton O. Smith*



Grisell Funeral Homes - January 02, 2025 at 08:55 PM

RS

So many great memories.

Ralph Smith - January 03, 2025 at 05:53 PM



“ *107 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Grisell Funeral Homes - January 02, 2025 at 03:45 PM

JF

“ June (Smith) Goddard & family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Milton O. Smith.



June (Smith) Goddard & family - January 02, 2025 at 08:41 AM

HR

“ There will never be enough words for me to describe my love for you or how very much I'll miss you. God blessed me the day you chose me to be your daughter, and there's no one in this world I would trade you for as my father. Your unconditional love, selfless spirit, generosity, compassion, caring nature and kindness go unmatched. I'm so very sorry for all that you've had to suffer through and endure, Dad. You, of all people, never deserved to go out that way. Know that I'll be thinking of you, loving you and missing you until I leave this world. Until we meet again, Dad, know that you mean so very much to me, and I'll forever love you with all that I have and all that I am. My hearts broken. Love you with all of my heart, Dad. There'll never be another like you. 🥹💔

His Daughter, Bonnie Ritz - January 01, 2025 at 08:46 PM

AE

Prayers for peace to all who are reading and commenting. Milton was one of a kind. A true believer who lived what he believed. Surely he is resting in his Savior's arms, free from pain. My paternal grandmother (Lottie Kocher) and Milton's mother were sisters. My parents and family loved Milton and my mother cherished his visits. Milton would drive to my parents home in Paden City and bring Bible Studies to my mother. Bible Study would break out at the kitchen table. Such a wonderful man. My parents were: Lloyd & Mary Loy Lewis.

Anna Efaw - January 02, 2025 at 11:20 AM

TF

“ The Gordon Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Milton O. Smith.



The Gordon Family - January 01, 2025 at 04:44 PM

DM

“ I love you so much Uncle Milt! You will never be forgotten the stories will continue as will the love we all have for you! Sure going to miss our talks and text. Fly high with the angels. I'm sure our loved ones there is rejoicing! Love you forever and always ❤️💔



Dorothy Masters - January 01, 2025 at 04:38 PM

KM

“ Kimberley Moore purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Milton O. Smith.



Kimberley Moore - January 01, 2025 at 04:27 PM

BR

“ Bonnie R. purchased the “You Are Loved And In Our Prayers” Comfort Throw for the family of Milton O. Smith.



Bonnie R. - January 01, 2025 at 04:14 PM