



## Robert "Bubba" Smith

January 24, 1956 - May 12, 2024

Robert "Bubba" Smith, age 68, of Proctor, WV, passed away Sunday, May 12, 2024, at New Martinsville Health Care Center in New Martinsville, WV.

He was born January 24, 1956 in New Martinsville, WV, a son of the late Arnold and Nancy Matsuura Smith.

He was a retired repairman at PPG, a Protestant by faith, an animal lover, and avid fisherman.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by a son, Terry Lee Smith.

Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Diana Wayman Smith; one daughter, Kelly Jenkins; one granddaughter, Bindy Campbell; one sister, June (Ron) Goddard of Tennessee; one brother, Jim (Suzette) Smith of North Carolina; a mother-in-law, Gloria Nice; two sisters-in-law, Barbara (Joe) Cain, and Sharon (Brady) Howell; one brother-in-law, Steve Wayman; several nieces and nephews; and his beloved cat, Jiggs.

Family will receive friends on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 from 4pm to 8pm at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 751 Third Street, New Martinsville, where funeral services will be held Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 11am with Minister Daniel Ruegg officiating. Interment will be held at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Bubba's honor to Wetzel County Animal Shelter, 399 Mollohan Drive, New Martinsville, WV 26155.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **14.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (est)

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

## Funeral Service

MAY **15.** 11:00 AM (est)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville  
751 Third Street  
New Martinsville, WV 26155  
(304) 455-1800  
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# Tribute Wall

KJ

“ My dad was one of the greatest dads, I know, that walked this earth. I really and truly loved my dad. My best memory of my dad was sitting on the deck, on several warm evenings of the summer, looking at the stars. I'm glad that your fight is over dad, I know you're tired. I'm sorry that I couldn't be a better daughter.  
--Kelly Jenkins

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**Kelly Jenkins** - July 07, 2024 at 06:37 AM

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“ Tom Kirkhart and daughter Melissa Shafer purchased the "Hummingbird" Glitter lantern for the family of Robert "Bubba" Smith.



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**Tom Kirkhart and daughter Melissa Shafer** - May 14, 2024 at 02:48 PM

KM

“ Diana, so sorry to hear of Bubba passing away. We were friends since grade school. He will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the entire family.

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**Karen Rector Maguire** - May 14, 2024 at 02:17 PM

DD

“ *Diana and family,  
Sending my condolences of passing of Bubba.  
He had a funny personality and loved to tease with Dave (my  
husband) at PPG. Both were ornery and tried to get the best of each  
other all the time. Hope they find each other in Heaven and continue  
with the teasing.  
Blessings and prayers. 🙏  
Donna Durbin*

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**Donna Durbin** - May 14, 2024 at 01:54 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of Bubba's passing. I always  
enjoyed working with him at PPG. Bubba was  
good at his job and liked to have fun while  
doing it. Our thoughts are with Diana and the  
family. Kevin & Sarah (Mullett) Yeater*



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**Sarah Yeater** - May 14, 2024 at 09:55 AM

RF

“ *Ron, June & the extended Goddard family  
purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the  
family of Robert "Bubba" Smith.*



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**Ron, June & the extended Goddard family** - May 13, 2024 at  
09:13 PM