



James Edward Smith

August 5, 1938 - October 20, 2025

Born on August 5th, 1938, James was the son of the late William Edward and Odell Smith. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Robert Smith, one sister, Dale Wales, and his beloved wife of 62 years, Betty J. Smith. He is survived by his children, Randy Carroll Smith (wife Donna), Terry Lynn Smith (wife Sandy), and James Brian Smith (wife Amanda); grandchildren, Brandy Rankin, Brandon Smith (wife Jessica), McKenzie Smith McGuire (husband John), Kimmie Smith, Layken Smith, and Blakely Smith; great-grandchildren Evan Rankin, Riley Smith, and Nolan Smith, and a host of nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, October 22nd from 6-8:30 at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home. A funeral service will be held on Thursday, October 23rd at 11:00 am at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home in Ardmore, AL, with Bro. Lon Ostrzycki officiating. Burial will be in Gatlin Cemetery in Ardmore, Alabama.

Pallbearers will be Brandon Smith, Bill Smith Jr., David Brock, Keith Holt, John McGuire, and Jackie Smith.

Cemetery Details

Gatlin Cemetery

Stateline Road
Ardmore, AL 35739

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM (CT)

Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home
27186 E. Main St.
Ardmore, AL 35739
(256) 423-4100
<https://www.ardmorechapel.com/>

Funeral Service

OCT **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest condolences. Mr. Smith was a very nice man, and his wife was a precious lady, also. Alisha Schrimsher*

Alisha K Schrimsher - October 21, 2025 at 08:44 PM

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“ *Uncle James, I love you! I will never forget you; the fishing, the cleaning fish, playing in saw dust in your shop, your distinct voice, your kindness, your love, your patience.. Growing up just a field from you is a blessing, many many memories, through many many summers. I'll always love you!!*

Breanna Smith - October 21, 2025 at 07:51 PM

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“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Praying for family and friends at this time.*

Harriette Glover - October 21, 2025 at 06:27 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Edward Smith.*



October 21, 2025 at 03:29 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James Edward Smith.*



October 21, 2025 at 01:10 PM



“ *Kevin and Misty Lou McGuire planted a Memorial Tree in honor of James Edward Smith.*

Kevin and Misty Lou McGuire - October 21, 2025 at 01:10 PM