



Mr. Earl Smith, Jr.

May 7, 1962 - September 9, 2012

Mr. Earl Smith, Jr., 50, of Leesburg died Sunday September 9, 2012 in Lumpkin, GA.

The funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, September 14, 2012 at the Banks Funeral Home Chapel with interment to follow in the Wright's Chapel Cemetery with Rev. Josh Copron officiating.

Mr. Smith was born on May 7, 1962 to the late David Junior Smith and Betty Jean Mullis White in Augusta, GA. He had lived in Dougherty and Lee County all his life. Mr. Smith was an office manager with Heldenbergs and was also in the wrecker service business. He loved watching sports, baseball, the Georgia Bulldogs and the Atlanta Braves.

Survivors include his sons, Michael Smith of Leesburg, Dakota Wilson of Valdosta; brother, David Smith (Diane) of Leesburg; sister, Mary Jane Porter (Pete) of Albany and the mother of their children, Melanie Wilson of Leesburg. In addition to his parents Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his son, Tyler Smith on September 1, 2012 and a sister Betty Ann Bradshaw.

The family will receive friends on Thursday from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Banks Funeral Home.

Sign our online guest registry at www.banksfh.com

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of the arrangements.

229-776-2055

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Earl Smith, Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *I am still not believing Earl is gone. I am so sorry for Melanie and their son. Earl was a good friend. He is the one who helped me get my start in the wrecker business. I wish I could be there on Friday, but my thoughts will be.*

Jimmy Garlock - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM



“ *Melanie, Edith, & Family,*

I am so sorry to hear this. Your family has been through so much. Earl was a good person & Father & he will be remembered that way. Deepest sympathy & all of you are in my prayers. God be with you all during this sad time.

Jean Wilson (Lakeview M.H.P.)

Jean Wilson - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM



“ *I met Earl as a customer at Heldenbergs. He was always so pleasant and made paying the money a little easier. He will be missed.*

Cynthia Dent - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM

LS

“ Our condolences go out to your family. I know he is at peace. God bless al of you at this time of grief.

Lisa Steedley - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM

MW

“ The Williams family is praying for your strength. Earl loved his boys and often shared their accomplishments with us. For the past three years, Earl and I (Martistene) shared friendly gifts for our birthdays, nothing elaborate, but from the heart. He will truly be missed.

Martistene, Erich, and Tarrah Williams

Martistene Williams - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM

PS

“ I am so sorry to read of Earl's passing. We will miss his great customer service and warm and friendly attitude. It was always a pleasure to deal with him at Heidelbergs and to talk about the good old Dixie League days. We will miss you Earl and may you Rest In Peace.

Patti Shellhaas - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM

TC

“ My heart is breaking tremendously for this family; you are all in my daily thoughts and prayers; I'm so sorry...

Tiffany Crain - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM

NK

“ im so sorry for your lost of a loved ones i have u in my prayers they will be dearily missed i love u all love always your friend nora

nora keller - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM

JP

“ i will miss my uncle and my mom jane will miss her brother im going to miss are chats on facebook we are going to really miss u rest in pece

jacklyn & jane & pete - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM

JM

“ Hadn't seen Earl in about 20 years until I saw him at the shop he worked while having some repairs done on my car when I lived in Albany. We looked at each other, grinned, and started talking like we were back in high school. He always had a big smile. Sad to hear he's gone.

Jim McCray, DHS, Class of 80'

Jim McCray - May 14, 2018 at 04:34 PM