



Billy G. Smith

September 6, 1931 - November 24, 2012

Billy G. Smith, 81, of Tallahassee, passed away Saturday, November 24, 2012 at the Margaret Z. Dozier Hospice House at Big Bend Hospice.

The funeral service will be held at 1:00 PM, EST, Tuesday, November 27 at Fellowship Baptist Church in Tallahassee. Interment, with military honors will follow at Tallahassee Memory Gardens. The family will receive friends prior to the service, from 11:00 AM until 12:30 PM Tuesday at the church.

Gifts in memory of Mr. Smith may be made to Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32308; or to Fellowship Baptist Church (for the new fellowship hall), 3705 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32303.

Mr. Smith was a native of Webb, Alabama and a longtime resident of Tallahassee. He was a 1949 graduate of Bay High School in Panama City and was also a graduate of the Florida Highway Patrol Academy. Following graduation he joined the Florida Highway Patrol in 1953 and faithfully served until retiring in 2010.

During the period from 1964 until the season of 2011 Major Smith provided security for the head football coach at Florida State University; a period that spanned from the days of Coach Bill Peterson to Bobby Bowden and Jimbo Fisher.

He was also a Korean War veteran of the United States Air Force and was a longtime member of Fellowship Baptist Church, where he served as Deacon for many years. The members of his Fisherman's Sunday School Class will serve as Honorary Pallbearers.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Jeanette P. Smith of Tallahassee; his son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Alisa Smith of Crawfordville; his daughter and son-in-law, Terri S. and Richard Brown of Tallahassee; his sister, Othel Sanders of Panama City; and his brother, Larry Smith of Pace. Also surviving are two grandsons, Corey Smith of Crawfordville and Brandon Boggis of Tallahassee.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee Memory Gardens

4037 North Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 27. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Fellowship Baptist Church
3705 North Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Service

NOV 27. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Major Smith,
I have never met you, but as an FSU fan always loved seeing you on the sidelines with Coach Bowden and during the press conversations at half time and at the end of the game. You were the unknow FSU Icon in the tan FHP uniform we would see on TV during game day. Your work is finished, now go rest with angels it is well deserved.*

*Captain Ronnie Gann
Clay County Sheriff's Office*

Ronnie Gann - November 27, 2012 at 06:19 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Billy G. Smith.*



November 26, 2012 at 02:58 PM

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Robbie Cobb - November 24, 2012 at 04:29 PM

JP

Billy was a very special person and friend. Heaven certainly has a new angel and ambassador. God bless you Billy and may we meet again. My prayers are with your family.
John Peaden, Pensacola

John W. Peaden - November 25, 2012 at 06:20 PM

RK

Three fine men and friends.

Randy Knepper - November 27, 2012 at 06:14 AM