



Dennis Edwin Smith

August 18, 1946 - June 5, 2021

Mr. Dennis Edwin Smith, died peacefully in Capital Regional Medical Center on June 5, 2021 in Tallahassee, Florida at the age of 74.

Dennis Edwin Smith is survived by his daughters, Mary Alicia Smith of Tallahassee and Laura Nicole Smith of Havana, FL; grandchildren, Tra'Voughn Smith of Tallahassee, Hayden Skye and Skyelar Michelle Anderson of Havana, FL; siblings, Jack Smith (Pam) of Havana, FL, Sandra Shiver (Larry) of Wakulla Station, FL, Julie Floyd (Randy) of Gerogetown, TX. He is preceded in death by his wife Penne Sue Michaels Smith, mother, Mary Bernice McCollum of Tallahassee, and father, Hardy Jack Smith of Tallahassee.

Dennis was born on August 18, 1946 in Tallahassee, Florida to Mary Bernice McCollum and Hardy Jack Smith. He graduated from Florida High School in 1965. Married the love of his life, Penne Sure Michaels of Dallas in 1982.

Dennis began working in finance for Ford Motor Credit in his early 20's. In his late 30's Dennis opened his own company, D & J Septic Tank Company which is still in operation today. Over the next few years, the couple welcomed 2 children into their home, two daughters, Laura Nicole and Mary Alicia. His children remember him as a straight shooter with a gentle heart.

Dennis was accomplished with a successful business in the onsite wastewater industry throughout the Big Bend Area. He was a dedicated husband, father, and most importantly "Papa" who loved the outdoors, racing and FSU Football. Towards the end of his life he was able to make peace and rebuild

his relationship with Christ.

The family would like to personally thank Tracey Hall for her unwavering support and Richard “ Red Dog” Heburn for his friendship and bringing our father back to Christ.

The family will receive friends, Thursday, June 10, 2021 from 5:00 until 7:00 PM at Bevis Funeral Home, 200 John Knox Road, Tallahassee, Florida. A funeral service will be held at 1:00 PM, Friday, June 11, 2021, at Bevis Funeral Home Chapel, interment will follow at Tallahassee, Memory Gardens. Todd Wahlquist with Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193, www.bevisfh.com) is assisting the family with their arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee Memory Gardens

4037 North Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Previous Events

The Family Will Receive Friends

JUN 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory
200 John Knox Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-2193

Funeral Service

JUN 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bevis Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Dennis Edwin Smith*



Bevis Funeral Home - June 11, 2021 at 12:55 PM



“ *Laura & Alicia we are thinking of you both as you lay your father to rest. The Travis family has such wonderful memories of Mr. Dennis and Mrs. Penne from yours and Matt's kart racing days. He was an amazing, loving and kind man, as well as a mentor to Matt in racing. We are blessed to have known him. There are no words of comfort I can give to ease your pain but just knowing you can depend on God for strength as he will guide you both through the days ahead. Our thoughts and prayers always
Kevin, Michele, Crystal, Matthew & Catherine Travis*

Michele Travis - June 11, 2021 at 11:29 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dennis Edwin Smith.*



June 10, 2021 at 11:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dennis Edwin Smith.*



June 09, 2021 at 07:49 PM



“ *Dennis and his girls have always been very special us. I am blessed and fortunate to have had Dennis and his girls in our life.*
Judy and Willie Meggs

Judy and Willie Meggs - June 09, 2021 at 11:26 AM



“ *Dennis was always a “special” person to me. My family and I cared deeply for Dennis. I continued my friendship with Dennis from seventh grade until present. I am so thankful I visited him about a month ago. He was showing me the pond, his garden and all around his home. Only problem... we got his wheelchair stuck in the dirt and I could not get him out!! Thank goodness the AC man came by or I was going to have to call the fire department. We shared many exciting memories even up to the end. Dennis was a very loving and giving person. So thankful for the memories!!*

Linda Elkins Presnell - June 08, 2021 at 05:34 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis Edwin Smith.*



June 08, 2021 at 12:03 AM

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“ *Dennis was so special and kindhearted. He was loved by my Daddy who always invited Dennis over to the house when he cooked Deviled Crab. The family is in my prayers.*

Sandy Elkins Maxwell

Sandra Elkins Maxwell - June 07, 2021 at 10:12 PM