



Oliver Milton Smith

March 17, 1941 - December 6, 2013

Oliver Milton Smith, Sr., 72, born in Portsmouth, VA, beloved husband of over 50 years to Rosetta Johnson Smith, lifelong resident of Deep Creek, went to be with the lord on December 6, 2013 surrounded by his loving family. Oliver was a member of Alexander Baptist Church where he was a Deacon. Following his retirement from Seaboard Coastline Railroad as a Yardmaster, Oliver continued working at White's Nursery & Penske Trucking. He was also a member of Lake Drummond Lodge #178 A.F. & A.M. and past High Priest of Craddock Royal Arch Chapter #72. He was an active volunteer in Pony Baseball and a member of the P&W Hunt Club.

In addition to his loving wife, he is survived by 5 children, Theresa (Ted) Waller, Cindy (Simon) Bettinger, Buddy (Michele) Smith, Neel (Stacey) Smith, and Michele (Billy) Brooks; 12 grandchildren, Nick, Jenny & Jacob Waller, Caitlin & Troy Bettinger, Joseph, Casey & Nikki Smith, Hannah and Courtney Smith and Laurel and Billy Brooks; 4 siblings Hetty White, Henry Smith, Pat Smith and Candy Blanchard; a brother in law, Dwight Johnson; 2 sisters in law Darlene Wylie and Debbie Johnson; and his loving sheltie Max. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family will receive friends from 3-4:30 p.m. Sunday December 8, 2013 at Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel. A funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Monday December 9, 2013 at Alexander Baptist Church by Dr. Bryan J. Ray. Interment will follow in Meadowbrook Memorial Gardens with Masonic Rites.

The family requests, that, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to the Alexander Baptist Church New Bus Fund, 4316 Pamela Court, Chesapeake, VA 23321.

Tribute Wall



“ I’m so sorry for your family’s loss. Mr. Smith was a great man and true “Creeker”. He will be greatly missed, but his memory will never be forgotten. Rest in peace my friend and your family will all be in my prayers.##imported-begin##Chase Higginbotham##imported-end##

December 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ We are saddened to hear of your family's loss and regret not having had the opportunity to meet this wonderful man. May your memories of him comfort you and bring you strength and peace in the days ahead. You are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Jeff, Donna, and Barbara Daniels##imported-end##

December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Oliver thru working at Penske Truck Leasing and always enjoyed talking and joking with him, he will be missed by all here.##imported-begin##Eddie vaughan##imported-end##

December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Rosetta and the Smith Family:
Please know the entire SYAA community feels your loss. Oliver was and always has been an instrumental player with all of our Kids in the Pony Organization. He is what "Protecting our Nations Youth" is all about. God Bless You and Your Family. Sincerely Jeff Beale and Suffolk Youth Athletic Association.##imported-begin##Jeff Beale##imported-end##

December 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Rosetta, so very sorry to hear about your loss. Been thinking about you all week. Just lean on Jesus a little more each day.
Arlene##imported-begin##Arlene Guenther##imported-end##

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Rosetta I was so sorry to hear about Oliver, he was a great husband and father so you have lots of memories and he is in a better place. Sorry I could not come to the services. Love Avis

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Smith Family

Oliver was always such a welcome presence at the baseball field- both DCBA and DCHS. We appreciated all the words of encouragement he offered Drew. He will be greatly missed.

Gene, MaryBeth and Drew Bruns

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Rosetta and Family, I am very fortunate to have known Oliver and learned from him through his service to PONY Baseball. The entire Western Branch Baseball community extends our deepest sympathy and will miss his presence around our fields.

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Oliver while working at Penske Trk Leasing. He was always helpful and kind. He would always give advice on doing things right the first time. He was a good man and Friend. .

Oliver will be truly missed.

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ oh what a delight oliver was.he always brought a ray of sunshine with him to the barber shop.what a blessing you all are.i love you all,my heart aches yet rejoyues be cause i know i will see oliver in heaven.Gods comfort and blessings to the whole family.

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Oliver was a great man and second father. I met Oliver and Rosetta 20 years ago while in college with Neel, his son. He will be greatly missed.
John & Cassandra Willis

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Rosetta and family,

I am sorry to hear of Oliver's death. He was truly a great man. We think highly of both of you. You are in our prayers.

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Rosetta and her family. I have very warm memories of Oliver. As the Commissioner of Deep Creek Baseball Association from 2007 to 2011 I asked many questions of Oliver and his words were always spot on. His advice helped me make all of the kids time at the ball park special even long after he was an active member of DCBA. You will be greatly missed.

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ The DCHS baseball team sends their condolences.

December 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Rosetta and the family during this difficult time. Oliver was truly a man of God whose kindness and generosity touched and changed the lives of everyone who knew him. Although his earthly presence will be missed, we know he now resides in Heaven.

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Our most heartfelt condolence to the family.

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Smith family,
We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely,
Anne & Don-Michael###imported-begin###Don & Anne Cunnius###imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Oliver will be greatly missed. He was such a fun and loving man. Wish we could be there with you all. Sending thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin###Brian, Melissa and Madisyn###imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your family is in our prayers. We will continue to pray for you.

Your Air Force Family,
Love,
Aaron, Toni, Alexa, and Marissa Rath###imported-begin###Aaron and Toni Rath###imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear the news of Oliver's passing. He was an amazing man. He was the true meaning of Pony baseball, Protect Our Nations Youth. Each and every parent, coach and player felt his presence at each and every tournament. Rosetta, you are in our prayers. What a true example of true love ya'll provided to your family and the community. Thank you for sharing Oliver with us!!
hugs###imported-begin###Lou Ann Leonard###imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Oliver will be greatly missed and always remembered. God did much great work in & through his life. So blessed by the fellowship we had with him, even though we only knew him for a few short years. God, thank you for Oliver and now bless the Smith family, in Jesus' name...Amen!###imported-begin###Kenny Casper & Family###imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ We are deeply saddened to hear of Oliver's passing. He was a great husband, father, and servant to his community he served all his life. I remember him always at the pony baseball field hustling to get the fields ready for the children to play baseball. He was passionate and dedicated no matter what he did. It was always about the kids and family. He will be remembered in our hearts as one good and faithful man and servant of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ. May God give you peace and comfort at this time. RIP our dear friend Oliver. Rosetta and family, we will keep you in our hearts and prayers .##imported-begin##Ann and Bob Howell##imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Rosie,
Our hearts are aching along with yours and your family. We'll miss Oliver and his sweet heart felt prayers. Our Sunday school class will never be the same without him. We love you both more than we can put into words. Always remember, where he's at and who he's with.##imported-begin##Denny & Sandra Quinn##imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I am sooo sorry for the loss of Oliver! I know he is in heaven with Aunt Iris, Uncle Elmo, Granny & Papa Rose, my Grandparents and all our other loved ones, but it still hurts knowing he's gone. He was such a great christian man and always had a smile on his face! You all are in my thoughts and prayers. If we don't make it to the funeral - we will be that way soon! Love you all!!##imported-begin##Cindy Thompson##imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Rosetta & Family, You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Oliver was such a special person to us and so many others.##imported-begin##Rick & Carol Ashburn##imported-end##

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