



Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith

August 8, 1964 - September 27, 2024

Ronald (Ronnie) K. Smith, 60, of Columbia, Missouri, passed away Friday, September 27, 2024 at his home after a short battle with cancer.

Funeral services for Ronnie will be held on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. at New Harmony Christian Church in Curryville, Missouri with Pastor Glenn Forman officiating. Burial will be in the New Harmony Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday, October 1st, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory in Bowling Green, Missouri.

Ronnie was born August 8, 1964, in Louisiana, Missouri to Byron Lavell and Barbara Lee McClellan Smith. He was united in marriage to Dena Marie Birmingham on January 13, 2002, in Maui, Hawaii.

Surviving along with his wife are his mother, Barbara Darnell of Curryville, Missouri; daughter, Kelly (Neil) Valli of Troy, Missouri; daughter, Amanda Faerber of Troy, Missouri; son, Brandon Birmingham of Troy, Missouri; grandchildren: Trinity Valli, Shaelyn Valli, Kyla Valli, Kendyl Valli, Brianna (Mike) Evans, Joshua Faerber, and Ayden Birmingham; great-grandchildren, Hazel, Kaysen, and Eden; brothers, Mike (Leann) Smith of New Hartford and Steve (Gina) Smith of Le Mars, Iowa; sister-in-law, Marsha Smith of Curryville; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Ronnie is preceded in death by his father, Byron Smith; and brother, Carl Smith.

Ronnie grew up in Curryville, Missouri and was a member of New Harmony Christian Church where he was baptized on April 18, 1976. He was a 1982 graduate of Bowling Green High School, where he participated in FFA and 4-H, and showed horses at the Tri-County Saddle Club. He attended Hannibal-LaGrange College and graduated in May 1985 with an Associates of Arts degree. Ronnie followed his father's footsteps of serving our country and enlisted in the Navy in April 1987 and served through April 1991. Ronnie served in the first Gulf War aboard USS Leyte Gulf. Ron became an over-the-road truck driver and has spent his last 27 years working for Callaway Carriers in Kingdom City, Missouri. Ronnie enjoyed traveling and camping with friends and family. His brother, Steve, introduced him to the game of golf (which he always called "cow pasture pool") and he played every chance he got. This new hobby led to he and Dena moving from Silex to Columbia in 2021 where he enjoyed golf right outside the back door. Ronnie was the life of any party and loved to get everyone to dance. He also played a mean game of horseshoes and dominated a volleyball game. He loved his Saturday morning breakfasts and his favorite was Big Mama's Café in Columbia, Missouri.

Throughout Ronnie's illness, he was reminded of all the truly loving friends and family he was blessed to have known. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Pallbearers will be Mike Smith, Steve Smith, Tim Brown, CT Hansen, Mike Constable, and Brandon Birmingham. Honorary pallbearer will be Troy Smith.

Memorials may be made to New Harmony Christian Church or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

New Harmony Cemetery

Curryville, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 1. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC - Bowling Green
606 West Main Street
Bowling Green, MO 63334
(573) 324-2211
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Funeral Service

OCT 2. 10:30 AM (CT)

New Harmony Christian Church
5511 Pike 454
Curryville, MO 63339

Burial

OCT 2 (CT)

New Harmony Cemetery
Curryville, MO

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.*



October 03, 2024 at 09:04 AM



“ *Hughes family. purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.*



Hughes family. - October 01, 2024 at 12:11 PM



“ *Hughes family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.*

Hughes family. - October 01, 2024 at 12:11 PM



“ *Barb, keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. Paulette and Pike County Nursing Scholarship Committee*

Paulette B. Powelson - October 01, 2024 at 11:17 AM



“ I was so sad to hear of Ronnie passing away. I considered him a true friend in High School and we spend some great times riding motorcycles together and avoiding some bad stuff. My deepest condolences to his family and those close to him.

Brent Salfen - September 30, 2024 at 10:44 PM

RK

“ Rhonda K. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



Rhonda K. - September 30, 2024 at 05:58 PM

NC

“ Nancy, Brad and Katie Pape and children planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Nancy, Brad and Katie Pape and children - September 30, 2024 at 04:34 PM

NC

“ Nancy, Brad and Katie Pape and children purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



Nancy, Brad and Katie Pape and children - September 30, 2024 at 04:34 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC. - September 30, 2024 at 04:08 PM



“ Frank & Belinda Loveland purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



Frank & Belinda Loveland - September 30, 2024 at 03:52 PM



“ From: Frank & Belinda Loveland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Frank & Belinda Loveland - September 30, 2024 at 03:52 PM



“ Marty and Bonnie Alterson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Marty and Bonnie Alterson - September 30, 2024 at 01:49 PM

MA

“ Marty and Bonnie Alterson purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



Marty and Bonnie Alterson - September 30, 2024 at 01:49 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



September 30, 2024 at 12:57 PM

CT

“ CNSQ Sales Engineering Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

CNSQ Sales Engineering Team - September 30, 2024 at 11:33 AM

CT

“ CNSQ Sales Engineering Team purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



CNSQ Sales Engineering Team - September 30, 2024 at 11:33 AM

CT

“ Craig & The Centersquare Ops teams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Craig & The Centersquare Ops teams - September 30, 2024 at 10:52 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



September 30, 2024 at 10:52 AM

TT

“ The Capacity teams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

The Capacity teams - September 30, 2024 at 09:57 AM

TT

“ The Capacity teams purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



The Capacity teams - September 30, 2024 at 09:57 AM

KN

“ Kevin & Michelle Nicoll planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Kevin & Michelle Nicoll - September 30, 2024 at 08:46 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



September 30, 2024 at 08:46 AM

FF

“ From Diane Mandicino and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



From Diane Mandicino and family - September 29, 2024 at 08:57 PM

CW

“ Chris and Cristy Wheeler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Chris and Cristy Wheeler - September 29, 2024 at 08:20 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



September 29, 2024 at 08:20 PM



“ Candius O. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Candius O. - September 29, 2024 at 06:01 PM



“ Sue Smith and Family Rick and Diana. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Sue Smith and Family Rick and Diana. - September 29, 2024 at 02:59 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



September 29, 2024 at 02:59 PM

SF

“ Suzann Evans & Mark Flaker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

Suzann Evans & Mark Flaker - September 29, 2024 at 12:59 AM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.



September 29, 2024 at 12:59 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.

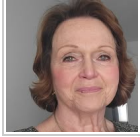


September 29, 2024 at 12:07 AM

LH

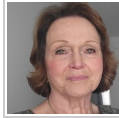
“ Sending condolences to Barb and her family. May God bring you comfort and peace during this time 💕

Leon and Kay Holcumbrink - September 28, 2024 at 11:20 PM



“ *Sending my deepest sympathy to Barbara and family. I am so sorry for your loss.
May God comfort and*

Jo Raney - September 28, 2024 at 10:23 PM



Give you the peace that passes all understanding.

Jo Raney - September 28, 2024 at 10:25 PM

PA

“ *Ronnie was always ready with a big smile and a kind friendly word for all of us classmates I love them dearly he was a good friend all of our class loved him he was wonderful especially angel on Earth will be missed*



Pamglaspie - September 28, 2024 at 08:07 PM

VA

“ *Valerie A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.*

Valerie A. - September 28, 2024 at 07:34 PM

VA

“ *Valerie A. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith.*



Valerie A. - September 28, 2024 at 07:34 PM

TD

“ *Tom & Jean Dempsey sent a virtual gift in memory of Ronald "Ronnie" Kent Smith*



Tom & Jean Dempsey - September 28, 2024 at 07:25 PM



“ *Ron was one of the kindest, most generous men I've ever met. This world was a better place with him in it. I am heartbroken at his suffering, and that he is no longer with us, but know he is somewhere far better and we WILL see him again. His memory will be treasured by many.*

Mary Miller - September 28, 2024 at 07:24 PM

LL

“ *Barb- So very sorry for your loss. Linda Barnes Leopold*

linda gray leopold - September 28, 2024 at 07:22 PM