



Billy Joe "B.J." Smith

September 9, 1930 - June 24, 2019

Following a long illness. Billy Joe Smith (B.J.), 88, of St. Albans, WV, formerly of Hurricane, WV, went home on Monday, June 24, 2019 to be with his Lord and Savior.

B.J. spent a dedicated, vast and successful career in the highway construction/engineering business which spanned 60+ years beginning at the age of 17. His career began with W.E. Ringwald & Sons, followed by several other highway construction businesses across West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania. In the late 1970's, he ultimately launched his own construction business until his retirement some 20+ years later. Following retirement, he would often work for the state of WV as an inspector on many highway projects. In addition, he worked on a consultative basis with the Site Blauvelt Engineering Firm until he left the field entirely.

B. J. is survived by his loving wife of 68 years, Nina Sanson-Smith, his son, Gregory Joe, (Donna) and daughter's, Gina and Susan (Rodney) all of St. Albans, WV. He also leaves behind two treasured grandsons, Michael Joe (Meagan) of St. Albans and Steven Lee (Michelle) of Cary, North Carolina. In addition, he has two beloved great grandchildren; Mila Jo and Jonah. B.J. also has a surviving brother, James D. (JoAnn) of Scott Depot, WV; two nieces and two nephews survive as well.

B.J. was preceded in death by his father, Ira Branchwell Smith and his mother, Ethel W. Tincher-Smith of Hurricane, WV, as well as a dear sister, Betty Zane Smith-Moore.

The family wishes to thank his earth Angels, Debra Roberts, Roberta Kelly and Jennifer Russell Waddell for their loving care during his illness. Also, Hospice is appreciated for their guidance, expertise and care.

Funeral service will be held at 1:00 pm Friday, June 28, 2019 at Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, St. Albans with Pastor David Bowen officiating. Burial will be in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans.

Friends may call from 12 to 1:00 pm Friday prior to the funeral service.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations be made in B.J.'s name to The Green Valley Church of God, 518 Green Valley Drive, St. Albans, WV 25177 or HospiceCare, 1606 Kanawha Blvd W, Charleston, WV 25387.

You may visit B.J.'s Tribute page at bartlettnicholsfuneralhome.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave., St. Albans is honored to serve the Smith family.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park, Lower Mausoleum Chapel

815 Cunningham Lane
St. Albans, WV 25177
(304) 727-4349

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 28. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home
409 Sixth Avenue
Saint Albans, WV 25177
(304) 727-4325

Funeral Service

JUN 28. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Billy Joe "B.J." Smith.



June 25, 2019 at 08:09 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of his passing. Prayers for the family.*



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