



Larry Lee Smith

September 23, 1946 - April 28, 2021

Obituary for Larry Lee Smith

Larry's Great Adventure!

Larry Lee Smith started his journey on September 23, 1946 in Clanton, Alabama. Born to William Coleman Smith and Myrtice Pearl Posey and most important, adoring Grandson of Momo

Pit Stops Along the Path..

Larry enlisted in the Air Force on December 21, 1965 and retired on March 31, 1994. He spent 29 years serving our country, while traveling around the world working in multiple exciting and meticulous job fields.

After retirement, Larry went back to work in the Civil Service where he retired once again in 2018.

Larry had a passion for cars and his most favorite job was selling cars, where he could use his "lightening lips" skills to help those needing a new ride!

A Passenger Joined Him..

On July 29, 1970, he married his military overseas tour "Sweetheart" Somdet

(Niki) Smith in
Nong Khai, Thailand

And More Passengers...

Daughters Carolyn (Troy), Sherry (Matt) and his HERD of Grandkids: Tory (Scott), Josh, Danielle (Josh), Brett, Kyler, RyLee, Christian (Laura), Mason, Kayden, Daniel, MadieRae, LeaLea, Jack and Harper. Along with the Great Grandkids: Brayden, Riley, Isa, Braden, Cory, Hannah, Kinzer and Callie.

One HELL of a Ride...

Larry was gifted with social skills and a knack for fixing things no matter the size of the task. The many people who had the pleasure of meeting Larry enjoyed his stories and admired his dedication to a hard work ethic. Although the end of the road has arrived, our memories and laughs along the way will always be in our hearts and minds. HAPPY TRAILS!!!

Larry's Adventure Ended on April 28, 2021.

Visitation will be held at New Horizon Memorial Funeral Home on Tuesday, May 4, 2021. The family will receive guests beginning at 11am.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

New Horizon Memorial Funeral Home
5203 Hollis Goodwin Road
Dora, AL 35062
(205) 648-2323

Tribute Wall

ME

“ Sorry to hear about Larry’s passing, I had the opportunity of working with him at the NCO Leadership school at Hill Air Force Base. He was a great mentor and friend. He’s one of those guys you never forget. Our condolences and prayers goes to Niki and family.
Mike and Debbie Eaves

Michael Eaves - May 04, 2021 at 08:02 PM

RM

“ I am very sad to hear of the passing of Larry Smith. I've know Larry since ADAF in 1991. We were in the 388th and often had weekend duty together. I retired from Active Duty in 1995 and followed Larry into the car business where I worked for another 10 years. I continued to see him at least weekly because we had side by side lockers and were both regulars at the HAFB Gym. In 2005 Larry approached me on a job offer as a contractor instructor and I ended working with him again in building 250 and later as a civil service employee in building 1231. Rest in Peace Larry Smith; you have always been a good friend to me and such a kind soul that I'll never forget.

Ray Miller

Ray Miller - May 04, 2021 at 09:16 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Larry Lee Smith.



May 03, 2021 at 07:24 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Larry Lee Smith.*



May 03, 2021 at 06:06 PM



“ *Mary & George McPeak purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Larry Lee Smith.*



Mary & George McPeak - May 03, 2021 at 06:01 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Larry Lee Smith.*



May 03, 2021 at 04:14 PM

DH

“ I was a student of Larry in PME. Later and instructor at the same school after he left. I had a long connection with Larry, since 1988, Larry used to say we had the same career path... He was a PME instructor at Hill, then I worked as a PME instructor at Hill, then he was a 388th shirt, then I was a 388th shirt. We both retired with our diamonds...He went to CTO, then I went to the CTO. I was the soft skills supervisor, then he was the soft skills supervisor . He was a great man and we all gained from knowing him and the world is just a little smaller without him in it. Niki, Carolyn, Sherry, and Family thank you for sharing this good man with all the folks he impacted in such a positive way.

Dave Hipp

Dave Hipp - May 03, 2021 at 03:55 PM

JB

“ I first met Larry shortly after retiring from the Air Force and becoming a contractor there of. Always willing to shoot the breeze and talk about his summer home in Alabama, he made my transition into the civilian world quite easy.

After playing the contracting game for several years, Larry gave me a call one, sunshine filled day in February and changed my life. He asked me a few simple questions about my experience as an instructor in the Air Force and said no more. That is when I found out I was one of the instructors Larry had decided to give a chance to in his organization.

Thank you Larry for all the easy conversation and the chance to really shine! God Bless you and yours.

Jason Bertoldie

Jason Bertoldie - May 03, 2021 at 12:57 PM

RD

“ Chief, you will always be remembered for all the work and love you gave the Airmen. Due to your efforts Team Hill is a better place for all. I personally thank you for all the donations you gave that I took to the homeless shelter. You will be missed.

V/R, Rebecca

Rebecca Delgado - May 03, 2021 at 12:15 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry Lee Smith.



May 03, 2021 at 10:31 AM



“ With Distinction was purchased for the family of Larry Lee Smith.



May 03, 2021 at 10:15 AM

BF

“ Bill & Cheryl and The Lyons Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Larry Lee Smith.



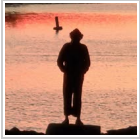
Bill & Cheryl and The Lyons Family - May 02, 2021 at 04:54 PM

BL

“ Dear Niki, Carolyn, Sherry, and Family, We extend our deepest condolences and sympathy in the loss of Dear Larry. He was so Awesome! Your Family welcomed us to the neighborhood when we first moved there in 1983 and have been like Family to us ever since...When Larry retired and moved away we felt a loss but were so happy for him to be able to move back to his home town. Niki, please know that we will never forget you and Larry and your lovely Family and know that Carolyn and Sherry will take care of you. Thank you to all of your Family and Sending you Lots of Love and Hugs, With Love, Bill, Cheryl, Marika, Tiffany, Matt, Zach Lyons and Family



Bill & Cheryl Lyons - May 02, 2021 at 04:16 PM



“ Raising the flag with Larry over Hill AFB in honor of several friends who retired. Was my great honor to have known and served with him on both active duty and civil service.

Rico Davis - May 01, 2021 at 02:22 PM

GV

“ Guy & Koola Ventura purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Larry Lee Smith.



Guy & Koola Ventura - May 01, 2021 at 12:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Larry Lee Smith.



May 01, 2021 at 01:34 AM