



Rev. Gene Smith

September 12, 1945 - December 19, 2019

Reverend Gene Smith of Burnwell, Alabama went home to be with his Lord and Savior on December 19, 2019. He was born Clifton Eugene Smith in Chattanooga, Tennessee on September 12, 1945 to a loving family. They moved to Burnwell, Alabama when he was seven years old. Gene spent his life serving God, his church and his community. While serving in the Alabama National Guard, his professional career began in construction with Brasfield and Gorrie in Birmingham, and he later founded and owned a heating and air conditioning company. He also spent many years as an insurance agent. While a young man he began singing with the Psalmsters, a Southern Gospel quartet that included Melva Nix who would become his wife and ministry partner for 42 years. His ministry included not only singing, but also several years of travel as an evangelist, and he pastored churches in Georgia and Alabama. From 1985 until his death he served as pastor at Burnwell Bible Church of God. He was a gifted minister, preacher, singer and songwriter.

Rev. Smith was preceded in death by his wife Melva Nix Smith, daughter Andrea Lynn Smith, parents Dora and Joe Smith and brother Joseph Lee Smith. He is survived by his devoted wife Norma McMickin Smith, loving daughter Melia Smith D'Amico and her husband Joe, grandchildren Cruz and Faith Ann D'Amico, sisters Ova Jane Gilbert and Juanita Fay Snow, brother Arthur Smith and many extended family, nieces, nephews, and cousins. He leaves behind a family and community that he loved deeply and that will miss

him profoundly.

To honor and celebrate the extraordinary life and ministry of Rev. Smith, a Homegoing Service will be held on Sunday, December 22 at Burnwell Bible Church of God. Visitation will begin at Noon with the Homegoing Service beginning at 2:00. The Rev. Ray Jackson will officiate. Interment will immediately follow at the adjacent cemetery. A reception in the church dining hall will follow the services.

In lieu of flowers, Rev. Smith has requested memorial contributions be made to Burnwell Bible Church of God, where he served as pastor for 34 years.

Cemetery Details

Brasfield Cemetery

1055 Burnwell Rd.
Quinton, AL 35130

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **22**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Burnwell Bible Church of God
1055 Burnwell Road
Burnwell, AL 35038
(205) 648-9324

Funeral Service

DEC **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MH

“Bro Gene was a man after Gods own heart. He loved everyone like Christ says we should and he adored his family. He will always hold a special place in my heart. I know this is not the end and I'll see him again in our forever home. Go enjoy heaven for that's what you spent your entire life preparing for. ❤️



Mandy Henderson - December 21, 2019 at 08:19 AM

KC

“Bro. Gene and his wife, Melva would come into our restaurant and it was like welcoming family into our home. The world lost a rare jewel in Bro Gene. My prayers and condolences go out to his family. Lord knows he's in a much better place. Till I see you again, sweet friend!!

Kelly Cranford

Kelly Cranford - December 20, 2019 at 11:52 PM

SH

“Sandra Hackett lit a candle in memory of Rev. Gene Smith



Sandra Hackett - December 20, 2019 at 12:46 PM

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Sandra Hackett - December 20, 2019 at 12:41 PM

CR

“ *Gr8 man of God
My prayers to all his family and church family
Just remember footprints in the sand when you
see only one set of footprints that is when
Jesus is carrying u thru the storm*



Christie Watson Reed - December 20, 2019 at 12:36 PM

SC

“ *Shelbie Corley lit a candle in memory of Rev. Gene Smith*



Shelbie Corley - December 20, 2019 at 07:19 AM

AN

“ *I am very sorry for your loss. Brother Gene has been my friend for as long as I can remember. He will be missed.*

Arlon Nix - December 19, 2019 at 07:16 PM