



## Willard Earl Smith Jr.

September 3, 1943 - March 31, 2024

Willard Earl Smith, 80, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Sunday, March 31, 2024, at Landmark Hospital.

He was born September 3, 1943, in Alton, IL to Willard Earl and Venida Edna (Ruebel) Smith.

He and Nancy Ann Walters were married on June 18, of 1966, at the Bluff City Worship Center in Poplar Bluff, MO.

He was Butcher. He was a member of First Pentecostal Church of Cape Girardeau, 3054 Lexington, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and The Boy Scouts of America.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy; Son, Willard Earl Smith, III of Oak Ridge, Missouri; Daughter, Maryann Sue Killian of Jackson, Missouri.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, his father, and his mother.

Visitation will be held from 9:30 am to 11:00 am on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at First Pentecostal Church, 3054 Lexington Ave, Cape Girardeau, Missouri 63701.

Funeral Service will begin at 11:00 am at First Pentecostal Church with the Brother Darrell Faire, SR. officiating.

Burial will follow at Cape County Memorial Park in Cape Girardeau.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Cape County Memorial Park

2315 Highway 61 N  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 6. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Pentecostal Church of Cape Girardeau  
3054 Lexington  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Funeral Service

APR 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Pentecostal Church of Cape Girardeau  
3054 Lexington  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Tribute Wall

TP

“ *Teresa P. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Willard Earl Smith Jr..*



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**Teresa P.** - April 05, 2024 at 06:51 PM

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“ *Teresa P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Willard Earl Smith Jr..*

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**Teresa P.** - April 05, 2024 at 06:51 PM

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“ *Nancy,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May the Lord give you comfort and peace.  
Carol Steffens*

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**Carol Steffens** - April 05, 2024 at 01:18 PM

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“ *I could never repay Jr. for the kindness and selfless care shown to my dad. Thank you and GODSPEED.*

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**Georgia J. Reeves** - April 04, 2024 at 04:52 PM

JH

“ John Hall purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Willard Earl Smith Jr..



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**John Hall** - April 04, 2024 at 08:21 AM

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“ Willard was a great friend and was a fellow scooter of mine for 20 years. I also new when I was a young man and went to church with him. We had great times together working in the kitchen at many O.A. gatherings in scouting. I will miss my friend and brother in Christ and in scouting. Enjoy your eternity with Jesus. Until we meet again in heaven brother.

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**John Kaufman** - April 03, 2024 at 03:48 PM