



## Robert (Bobby) Louis Smith

January 27, 1937 - November 24, 2022

Robert Louis Smith (Bobby) was born on January 27, 1937, in Loudon, Tennessee, to James Smith Jr. and Jessie Hardin Smith, whom precede him in death. He graduated from High Point High School, Sweetwater, Tennessee, in 1954 and immediately enlisted in the United States Air Force. After being discharged in 1958 he attended Knoxville College. Bobby was employed in Central Accounting at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and retired in 1997 after many years of service.

Survived by his loving wife of 60 years Alice Clark Smith (Sue); daughter Allison Bonds (Sweetwater); granddaughters: Brianna Bonds (Knoxville) and Jasmine Bonds (Chattanooga); brother: Rufus (Patricia) Knoxville; sister: Doris Griffin (Loudon); sisters-in-law: Jackie McCowan (Sweetwater), Virginia Upton (Sweetwater), Mary Nancy Travis (Bowie); brother-in-law: John (Marlene) Clark (Oak Ridge). Bobby is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and caring friends.

The family will receive friends and family at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater on Saturday, December 3, 2022, from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. Military Honors will be held at the Chapel at 3p.m. with the funeral service following with Rev. Vant Hardaway officiating

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 3. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

DEC 3. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert (Bobby) Louis Smith*



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**Kyker Funeral Home** - December 02, 2022 at 02:32 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert (Bobby) Louis Smith.*



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December 03, 2022 at 09:39 AM

MH

“ I worked with Bob for over 25 years and have many great memories from those years. Without question, Bob was very good at his job and readily shared his experience and knowledge with the new, and not so new financial staff. I worked with Bob several years in the Capital Department and he carried me until I was able to get my feet under me.

But beyond work, Bob enjoyed a good laugh, a good joke and a good prank. I remember many such instances; way too many (some perhaps inappropriate) to relate here, however, the one that tops the list for me is as follows:

Gus, our co-worker, purchased farm fresh brown eggs from a lady at ORNL who had chickens and sold eggs. If Gus was not in his office, she would simply leave the eggs and pick up the money later. Well, Gus bragged on those eggs and how good they were; perhaps too many times. Several of us were together when Bob said he would boil Gus' eggs if someone would secret them from Gus' office. The plot was hatched and Gus' eggs were "borrowed" and returned boiled. A few days later Gus came in talking about trying to make egg sandwiches the night before and discovering all the eggs were hard boiled. Not a soul cracked a smile and looks of astonishment appeared on all our faces (the laughter and back-slapping came later). To my knowledge Gus never discovered how he ended up with a dozen hard boiled farm fresh brown eggs.

I'm thankful for Bob's friendship and the many good times. I still tell many of the stories and laugh out loud at some of the memories.

RIP good friend.

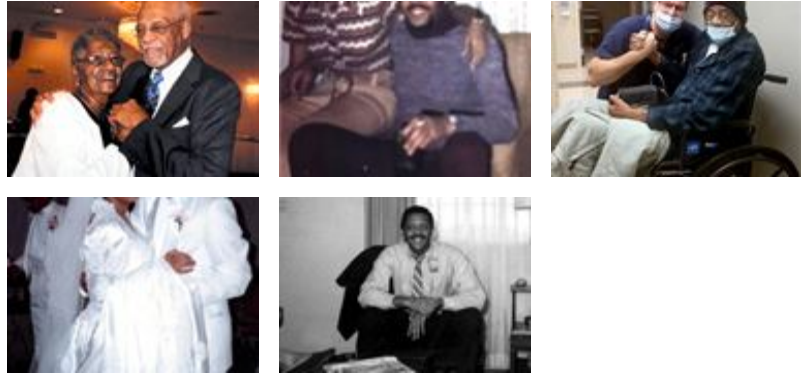
Mike Holtzclaw

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Michael Holtzclaw - December 03, 2022 at 09:19 AM



“ 96 files added to the album LifeTributes



Kyker Funeral Home - December 02, 2022 at 02:21 PM



“ I love you Allision. May GOD bless you and your entire Family. I am grateful to have known your Dad. Look unto the hills from which comes your help.



“The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.”

Linda and David Clark

Linda Earls Clark - December 01, 2022 at 09:37 PM



“ Linda Earls Clark purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Robert (Bobby) Louis Smith.



Linda Earls Clark - December 01, 2022 at 09:26 PM

DB

“ Today, tomorrow, and always, may loving memories bring you peace, comfort, and strength. Denny & Family.

Denny Bonds - December 01, 2022 at 01:30 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Robert (Bobby) Louis Smith.



December 01, 2022 at 01:18 PM

GS

“ Really enjoyed my interactions with Bob over the years while we were both at Oak Ridge. Really great to see childhood neighbor at work and later as he visited his sister. He will really be missed. RIP Bob.

Gary L Scarbrough - November 30, 2022 at 07:41 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert (Bobby) Louis Smith.



November 30, 2022 at 12:32 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert (Bobby) Louis Smith.*



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November 30, 2022 at 12:30 PM



“ *My condolences to the family, may God grant you peace in this time of sorrow. I had the pleasure of interacting with Bob during his tenure at ORNL. As a new hire in 1977, I found Bob to be always helpful, friendly, and knowledgeable. He was a friend to all that knew him at the work site.*

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**John Hickey** - November 30, 2022 at 11:08 AM

MH

*I came to work at ORNL in 1976 and Bob became my informal mentor. Very shortly thereafter, Bob became my friend at work. Bob was a great source of corporate information and I was very grateful that he showed me the ropes. Bob also shared his knowledge of the greater Knoxville area with me knowing I was a transplant from Florida. Often, work discussions morphed into stories about Bob growing up in the Loudon area, his time in the military, and his experiences at Knoxville College.*

*Later in our careers, we went to the cafeteria together for lunch and engaged in lively discussions on current events with Scott Herrin, Leroy Sims, another accountant, and a research scientist. I always think about those discussions because they were very open.*

*Bob also was a great supervisor and had the respect of the personnel working with him. When Bob retired, I had the honor of stepping into his position and continued his supervisory tradition and work ethic.*

*My condolences go out to Bob Smith's family. But know that he was a good man but an even greater person.*

*Mike Huie*

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**Michael Huie** - December 02, 2022 at 11:26 PM