



Donald Kirk Smith

September 18, 1931 - March 11, 2024

Donald Kirk Smith, 92, was born September 18, 1931 to Brady Brooks and Ruth Marie Smith in Laurel. He passed from this life into his Heavenly home on March 11, 2024 at his residence in Laurel.

Visitation and service will be held on Saturday, March 16 at West Laurel Baptist Church, 1400 West Fifth Street, Laurel; visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m. with service following at 11:00 a.m. Burial will immediately follow at Hickory Grove Cemetery. Services will be officiated by Kyle Warren and Matt Olson. Memory Chapel Funeral Home of Laurel is in charge of arrangements.

Donald served in the US Navy during the Korean War. He had a long career with the City of Laurel Fire Department and retired as Fire Chief in 1987. He was a member of West Laurel Baptist Church, where he faithfully served his Lord and Savior. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and shared many fishing adventures with his grandchildren. He will be lovingly remembered for his humorous spirit and radiant smile.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents, as well as siblings Carl Smith, Margaret Smith Creel, Melvin Smith, Cecil Smith, Nancy Smith Blakeney, and Larry Smith.

He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Mary Louise Rowell Smith, children Kirk

(Diane) Smith, Sharon Smith (Jim) Knight, and Kevin Smith. He is also survived by grandchildren Brynn (Jonathan) Strickler, Chad (Terri) Knight, Brooke (Kyle) Warren, Morgan (Daniel) Coats, Shekinah Smith, Noshua Smith; great-grandchildren Jon Daniel Strickler, Charli Kate Warren and Joseph, Eleanora, Sarah and Lois Coats; and siblings William "Billy" Smith and Sylvia Smith Gardner.

Pallbearers will be Jim Knight, Jonathan Strickler, Kyle Warren, Daniel Coats, Buddy Blackmon and Randy Smith.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to West Laurel Baptist Church, Gideons International, or the charity of your choice.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Hickory Grove Cemetery

Intersection of 15th Street and Old Bay
Springs Rd
Laurel, MS 39440

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 16. 9:30 AM (CT)

West Laurel Baptist Church
1400 W 5th St
Laurel, MS 39440

Service

MAR 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

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1400 W 5th St
Laurel, MS 39440

Tribute Wall

AR

“ So sorry for your loss. Praying for your family in the days ahead.
David & Angela Rudolph

Angela Rudolph - March 18, 2024 at 01:46 PM

AH

“ So sorry to hear of Donald's passing.
It is never easy no matter a person's age. Donald was a very
special and honest person. We will always cherish his friendship.

Allen and Gayle Hill - March 15, 2024 at 06:16 PM

MT

“ So sorry for your lost.i always thought he was a really nice man
.praying for his wife and family .

Martha Baty Tew - March 15, 2024 at 01:55 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of Donald Kirk Smith.



March 14, 2024 at 08:05 PM

JF

“ Joe Buckley Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Kirk Smith.

Joe Buckley Family - March 14, 2024 at 08:05 PM

JU

“ Sharron, So sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family.
Julie Shoemake



Julie - March 14, 2024 at 03:59 PM

KF

“ Kingdom Coach Family purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Donald Kirk Smith.



Kingdom Coach Family - March 14, 2024 at 11:43 AM

AW

“ So sorry for your loss. Praying for family and friends during this time.

Amy Knight Williams - March 13, 2024 at 08:19 PM

LC

“ So sorry for your loss. Loved your dad so much. He was a fine and gracious man.
Tubby and Linda Clark

Linda Clark - March 12, 2024 at 06:59 PM