



## Daniel Wilcox Smith Jr.

May 14, 1944 - July 22, 2008

Daniel W. Smith Jr., age 64 and resident of Hammond, LA, passed away on Tuesday, July 22, 2008, at Lakeview Regional Medical Center. He entered the U.S. Army in 1964 and proudly served our country during the Vietnam War, having received numerous honors and medals. He retired after 20 years of active duty with the rank of chief warrant officer. After his military career, he enjoyed traveling to visit family and friends, volunteering his time as a missionary and prison chaplain, and cheering for his LSU Tigers.

Daniel leaves behind his wife of 37 years, B.J. Smith of Hammond; daughter, Tanya Marie Smith of Jackson, MS; son, Major Daniel W. Smith III and his wife, Amy of Niceville, Florida; 4 grandchildren, Stephen Daniel, Kendall Jane, Tatum Cullen and Hunter Charles Smith. He is also survived by a sister, Margaret Jean Smith of Humble Texas; brother, Clifford Thomas Smith and his wife Kathy of North Richland Hills, Texas; and numerous nieces, nephews and extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Daniel Sr. and Mary Cullen Smith. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services at Trinity Baptist Church, in Pumpkin Center, on Friday, July 25 at 11:00 a.m., with visitation beginning at the church at 10:00 a.m. The family requests that visiting hours also be observed from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home on Thursday, July 24, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Rev. Randy Davis will conduct the funeral services and interment, with full military honors, will follow in Trinity Baptist Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Trinity Baptist Church Building Fund and sent to 42062 Pumpkin Center Rd. Hammond, LA 70403. Condolences and other information available online at [www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.

# Tribute Wall



“ BJ  
*You are in my prayers!!!*##imported-begin##Gordon  
Anderson##imported-end##

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July 31, 2008 at 07:28 AM



“ *It was always good to see you and Dan at our annual meetings in Nashville. He had a heart full of love and concern for others. He will be missed and you will be in our prayers.*##imported-begin##Joe Chandler##imported-end##

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July 28, 2008 at 08:53 AM



“ ##imported-begin##Kim Harris##imported-end##

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July 26, 2008 at 09:22 PM



“ BJ,  
*I will always remember Big Dan's big testimony and love for "His Jesus." I loved spending time with both of you at ARE meetings. You are an inspiration of faith and commitment to missions. My prayers are with you and your family.*  
*Love and Blessings,*  
Debbie##imported-begin##Clara Beaujeaux##imported-end##

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July 26, 2008 at 11:01 AM



“ We extend to BJ and family our deepest sympathy in the loss of your husband and father Danny

*Sincerly*

*Louise (Cullen)/Purvis and husband Harvey.  
Brandon Canada##imported-begin##Debbie  
Blankenship##imported-end##*

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July 25, 2008 at 10:08 PM



“ Dear BJ,

*I am so sorry to hear this news, but as you said Dan is happy now and not in any pain.*

*My love and prayers are with you. take comfort in the only One who can help you through these rough days.##imported-begin##Louise & Havey Purvis##imported-end##*

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July 25, 2008 at 09:17 PM



“ I first met Dan around 1995 while pastoring a small church in Bayou Vista, TX. It didn't take long to understand that Dan knew exactly what I should be doing and he wasn't too bashful to tell me!

Dan was the one person I could always talk to without fear that others might hear about it. Dan also challenged me to move beyond the mere physicalities of any situation. Dan could make me mad, but usually that was because he was right (and I generally got over it!).

I'm gonna miss ol' Dan and his dry sense of humor. I suspect that right about now Jesus is getting an ear full from Dan!! I'll look forward to catching up with you when my time comes, Dan, so in the mean time, please don't wear Jesus out!

BJ, I'm sorry Inez and I couldn't make it to the funeral. Know that we're praying for you, and that God's grace is upon you.

Love, Steve & Inez Fasold###imported-begin##Diane Varady###imported-end##

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July 25, 2008 at 12:50 PM



“ To BJ, Margie and Cliff,

My heartfelt sympathy and condolence to you all.

Love, Cousin Larry###imported-begin##Steven Fasold###imported-end##

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July 24, 2008 at 08:08 PM



“ Ms. BJ,  
*This is Teresa, Anita and Bob Madison's daughter. We wish to tell that we were saddened to read about Dan's death in the paper. I hadn't seen him in a very long time and had no idea that he had been sick.*

*I Will always remember him picking on me when mom worked in the kitchen. He will be missed.*

*You are in our thoughts and prayers. We love you.##imported-begin##larry davis##imported-end##*

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July 24, 2008 at 06:56 PM



“ ##imported-begin##Teresa Portzer##imported-end##

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July 24, 2008 at 05:18 PM



“ *Our sincere sympathy. Please let us know if there is anything we can do.*

*Douglas and Deb Ivey##imported-begin##Mr. & Mrs. Andre & Rosalind Thames##imported-end##*

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July 24, 2008 at 04:02 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Douglas and Deborah Ivey##imported-end##*

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July 24, 2008 at 02:33 PM



“ Sorry to hear of Danny's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time.

*I'm glad that I had the chance to make it down to Louisiana to visit - he was so excited that someone from Canada actually made it down there. He showed us New Orleans, Mandeville, and all the good places to eat.*

*Thanks for forwarding us the information and we will be thinking of you on Friday.##imported-begin##Gordon Anderson##imported-end##*

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July 24, 2008 at 01:53 PM



“ BJ:

*What a shock today to see Danny's obit in the DME. I know that he has suffered from various problems over the years but this truly knocked me over. I am still suffering from the loss of my precious Bill, two years ago. Time is a good healer but it doesn't remove all of the hurt. Trust that you are blessed with lots of friends down there to keep you busy as you rebuild your life. Take care and know that my thoughts are with you and the "children."*

*Susie##imported-begin##Donna Cullen##imported-end##*

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July 24, 2008 at 08:29 AM



“ Dear B.J. and family. Danny and myself were know as 'gasoline and matches' when we would be together. We both went to St. Paul for fourth grade and he made the class a lot more interesting then it should have been! I will greatly miss his unique outlook on life. With deepest sympathy for your loss; Cousin Don##imported-begin##Susie Elliott##imported-end##

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July 24, 2008 at 08:16 AM



“ Mr. Dan will be greatly missed by our family. He was a wonderful man. We will never forget him. We will never let Brian (his little buddy) forget how much Mr. Dan loved him. He will always be in our hearts. May he rest in peace.##imported-begin##Donald Davis##imported-end##

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July 23, 2008 at 07:01 PM



“ B.J., Tanya & Daniel,

*I am so sorry to hear about Dan. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I know he is in a better place. I am sorry I cannot make the funeral. I will be in touch. If you need to talk please call.*

*I love you all.*

*Love,*

*Liz##imported-begin##Will, Candace, & Brian Guidry##imported-end##*

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July 23, 2008 at 06:44 PM



“ Glad I made it to the Mandeville Reunion last year for the first time since '64 and spent time catching up with him.  
Take solace in the Lord that Danny is in a better place.  
An old High School friend,  
Jim Dalen##imported-begin##Major & Mrs. Jay Fulmer  
(Liz)##imported-end##

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July 23, 2008 at 03:33 PM



“ ##imported-begin##James S. Dalen##imported-end##

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July 23, 2008 at 01:00 PM