



George Lavelle Smith

November 1, 1938 - October 18, 2011

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George Lavelle Smith, age 72, passed away on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at Forest General Hospital in Hattiesburg Mississippi. He was a resident of Albany and a beloved husband, father, PaPa and brother. Mr. Smith was a United States Army veteran and an active member of Bethlehem Baptist Church, serving as a deacon and Sunday school teacher. He was retired from Industrial Design and Construction, where he had worked as a Construction Superintendent.

Mr. Smith leaves behind his wife, Jo Ann Smith; daughter, Stacy Smith Darouse and husband Kevin; son, Dr. Randel Lavelle Smith and wife Joele; grandchildren, Blake Elliott, Rudi Darouse, and Nicholas, Brady and Avery Smith. He is also survived by siblings, Joyce Faust and husband Clarence, James Edward Smith and wife Liz.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Sylvia Smith; brother, Kenneth Smith.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral service at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Albany on Friday, October 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. The family requests that visiting hours be observed at Brandon G.

Thompson Funeral Home west of Hammond on Thursday, October 20, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and again on Friday at Bethlehem Baptist Church from 8:00 a.m. until the funeral service time. The service will be conducted by Rev. Joe Dunn and interment will follow in Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery.

The family requests that donations be made in memory of George Lavelle Smith to the Bethlehem Baptist Church-Bus Fund, P.O. Box 1030 Albany LA 70711.

Condolences and other information are available online at www.thompsoncares.com.

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

Tribute Wall



“ Coach Smith and family,

I recently heard of your loss and am reminded of your husbands presence in my high school years playing basketball. He was that quite but constant voice of reason/wisdom helping me to become a student of the game and improve. I know he was a big part of and supporter of your successful career and no doubt a wonderful life partner.

I pray that you will draw from the strength of your faith and those that still love both you and Lovell.

*Still a big fan of yours,
Lester##imported-begin##Lester Purvis##imported-end##*

February 02, 2012 at 12:45 PM



“ We are so very sorry to hear of Lavelle's passing. May God grant you peace and comfort in your grief.##imported-begin##T.L. and Delores Hodges##imported-end##

October 21, 2011 at 08:14 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. My sincere sympathy Miss Joann. Mr Lavelle was a kind and gentle soul. He was always so nice to me and I will always have fond memories of him. Peace be with you. Love, Laurie##imported-begin##Laurie Milton Hamilton##imported-end##

October 21, 2011 at 05:15 PM



“ Mrs. Jo Ann and Family. I am sorry for your lost. All of you are in our prayers. Mr. Smith left behind wonderful memories. He will be missed and we are so grateful for the wonderful, cherished memories he gave all of us , through the years. God Bless, Dana###imported-begin###Dana Stewart Kinchen & Family###imported-end##

October 21, 2011 at 11:35 AM



“ OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHIES ARE WITH YOU ALL IN THIS HOUR OF YOUR GRIEF. GOD BESS AND KEEP YOU.###imported-begin###GLYNN FENDLASON & RICKEY FUSSELL###imported-end##

October 21, 2011 at 11:13 AM



“ Jo Ann,
I am sorry to hear about Lavelle. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. It seems like just yesterday you and he were coaching us basketball. God Bless you.###imported-begin###Alice Galladora Martina###imported-end##

October 21, 2011 at 10:24 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. God loves you and we love you. Thelma and Lee Dewey###imported-begin###Thelma and Lee Hughes###imported-end##

October 21, 2011 at 10:17 AM



“ *##imported-begin##MARK REITZ##imported-end##*

October 21, 2011 at 09:33 AM



“ *Stacy*

Sorry about your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time

Paul & Terry##imported-begin##Paul & Terry Boyer##imported-end##

October 20, 2011 at 06:40 PM



“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers. We will see you tomorrow at the services.##imported-begin##Nancy, Darryl and Megan Greenfield##imported-end##*

October 20, 2011 at 05:52 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Gordon Anderson##imported-end##*

October 20, 2011 at 01:50 PM



“ *We will be praying for your family.
Sincerely,
Jason and Jennifer Harris##imported-begin##Jason and Jennifer Harris##imported-end##*

October 20, 2011 at 09:40 AM



“ *It is with great sadness to learn of the passing of Mr. Lavelle. He was a great man, and those days of travel throughout the state, filming and doing the public address introductions for the Lady Hornets will always be a fond memory for me. Our thoughts and prayers for Ms. Jo Ann and family. Class of 1986.##imported-begin##Richard Haydel##imported-end##*

October 19, 2011 at 09:19 PM