



Judge J.W. Smith

May 8, 1923 - October 16, 2012

Judge Walter "J.W." Smith

Age 89 and a longtime resident of Livingston, J.W. passed away on Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at his residence surrounded by his loving family. J.W. was an expert woodsmen, avid hunter and fisherman, lover of nature and gun enthusiast, whom passed on his love for the outdoors to his family and all those who knew him. He was a dedicated Navy flight instructor, during WWII. Steve and Herbert Hughes, who were much more than brother-in-laws, were so grateful for the influence J.W. showed to them.

J.W. leaves behind his loving wife of 65 years, Joyce Hughes Smith; four devoted daughters, Vickey Smith Lott and husband Mike, Monica Smith Harrison and husband Richard, Kim Smith Hutchinson and husband Jack, Carol Smith, along with her grandchildren, Judge Lott, Cody Harrison and wife Kelly, Hunter, Barrett and Savannah Hutchinson. He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding J.W. in death were his parents, Julius Walter and Emmie Smith; siblings, Julia, Hugh, Lloyd and Charles Smith; granddaughter, Jamie Lee Lott.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral service

from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond on Thursday, October 18, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. The family requests that visiting hours be observed on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and again on Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until the funeral service time. The services will be officiated by Rev. Roger Sullivan, assisted by Rev. Charles Ellzey and Rev. Tim Norris.

The family would like to give a heartfelt thanks to Mr. Leonard Jerry Kinchen for his kindness showed to them during this very difficult time. Also a special thanks to Legacy Hospice, especially Susan, Donna, Umeko, Mary and Dr. Edwin Walker, as well as a special caretaker, Margaret Harmon.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 3003 Old Forge Drive, Ste. B, Baton Rouge, LA 70808.

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

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

Tribute Wall



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

October 19, 2012 at 12:01 PM



“ *Mrs. Joyce, Vickie, Monica, Kim and Family, my thoughts and prayers have been with each of you. It is so hard saying your final goodbyes to your husband, father, grandfather and friend. Thank God that we have the reassurance that we will be together again. Mr. J.W. meant a lot to me. My Mom always spoke about him and the good times of long ago. I always had so much respect of him, and thought a lot of him. He was a man that I looked up to. I know the days to come will be hard. God will be there with comfort, strength, and even peace. I know that I and others will be lifting you up in prayer. May Gods blessings be with each of you.##imported-begin##Margaret and Charlie Joe Arledge##imported-end##*

October 18, 2012 at 11:00 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with each of you. Monica and Kim I know how you are feeling right now! It isn't easy to loose someone we love. I know that your Dad and mine are sitting at Jesus' feet together REMEMBERING everything!##imported-begin##Renee' Moore Jones##imported-end##*

October 18, 2012 at 02:14 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all!!! I am so sorry for your lose. With much love I send my condolences and pray that God brings you all peace.##imported-begin##Ethel Blair##imported-end##

October 18, 2012 at 07:54 AM



“ My heart hurts for everyone for losing such a great man. He was admired by all that knew him. I can remember little Jay talking about how he was named after J.W. and his Dad Grady and how proud he was. He said that his boys would at least have the same initials as his Daddy and J.W. Good thing I didn't mind because that was just the way it was going to be. So the Sibley boys, Justin Grady (J.G.) and Jacob Weston (J.W.) was something that little Jay was proud of. I know that J.W. is in a grand place right now probably talking with Grady and Jay.
I know it is tough right now for everyone but cherish your memories for you will see him again. Love you all and thinking and praying for everyone. God be with you. Love Lois Sibley Dunn family##imported-begin##Lois Sibley Dunn##imported-end##

October 17, 2012 at 09:51 PM



“ May the memories of your father/grandfather comfort each of you during this time.

Love,
Kenny, Shannon, Grant, Kristen and Kalyn Holeyfield##imported-begin##Shannon Holeyfield##imported-end##

October 17, 2012 at 04:13 PM



“ It is so hard when someone we love so dearly leaves us for the Great Beyond. They have been such a tremendous and important part of our lives and we cannot imagine this life without them walking next to us. We know your hearts are aching for the presence of this precious man. Our hearts ache with yours as we send deep love and prayers to support you during this time. One day, Beyond the Sunset, we will see Uncle JW, our Daddy, and our many other loved ones again.

Love you all deeply - Tanya and Family##imported-begin##Tanya Bonner##imported-end##

October 17, 2012 at 02:44 PM



“ I will always remember what you taught us when we came to visit See you one day i love you##imported-begin##Daniel Bonner##imported-end##

October 17, 2012 at 01:16 PM



“ J.W. is someone special to all of us ..So are each of you. Just know that our hearts are there with you & we love you more than words can say. No words can ease your pain, but you have your "Precious Memories". Keep them close. You are in our thoughts & prayers..God bless & keep you.##imported-begin##Velda Sibley##imported-end##

October 17, 2012 at 10:05 AM



“ my deepest sympathy to all of you in this sorrowful time-keep close all of the wonderful memories that you have and it will help you through it -- my thoughts and prayers are with you all###imported-begin##Lisa Koles##imported-end##

October 17, 2012 at 08:21 AM



“ Our hearts are with each of you at this difficult time. Hope it helps in some small way to know others care. Uncle JW was and will always be what we call and consider a real man. I am honored that he was a big part of our lives. Thank you for sharing him with all of us. He will be dearly missed. Will always cherish our memories. Love you all with all our hearts.###imported-begin##Billy Wayne and Jana (Sibley) Smith and Family##imported-end##

October 16, 2012 at 10:43 PM



“ This man, and I do mean he was a real man, leaves behind a great legacy of love for family, love of kindness, love for people, love for nature, and love for all things good and honest. You, his precious family, are a great tribute to the good life he led while he was with us all. His memory will forever live in our hearts and minds, and our love for him will always be there. I can honestly say the world is a better place because he graced us with his presence. Deep love and our heartfelt sympathies are with you.###imported-begin##Nanette Nichols##imported-end##

October 16, 2012 at 10:06 PM