



Douglas Smith

November 14, 1930 - July 7, 2008

Douglas Avery Smith, age 77, of 432 Glory Road, Blountville, Tennessee passed from this life July 7, 2008 at Wellmont Hospice House in Bristol, Tennessee following a long illness. Born in Tazewell County, Virginia on November 14, 1930, Doug was the son of the late Frazier and Erma Brown Smith. Doug was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, serving during the Korean Conflict. He retired as a brakeman for the Norfolk Southern Railroad after 36 years of employment. Doug was also a member of Shekinah Church. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Jean Ketchum Smith, his brothers, Mason, Lawrence, James, Charlie and Curtis. Survivors include: His wife, Janet Wilson Smith of Blountville, Tennessee. Sons: Richard "Khris" Smith, Abingdon Douglas A. Smith, Jr. and wife, Melanie of Chilhowie. Sister, Janet Smith Addington and husband, Dallas of Jewell Ridge, Virginia. Grandchildren: Emily Smith Nester and husband, Travis, Matthew Smith and wife, Danielle, and Avery Smith. He is survived by three great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Other survivors include his stepchildren, Cathy Smith Cox and husband, Greg of Chapmanville, West Virginia, Terri Smith Alsbrook of Blountville, Tennessee, Randy Smith and wife, Karen of Richlands, Virginia and Jeffery Smith and wife, Anne of Earlysville, Virginia. Also surviving are eight step grandchildren: Jason Alsbrook, Jessica Blankenship and husband, Eddie; Erin Hann and husband, Dylan, Will Smith, Kelly Smith, and Evan Smith, Avery Smith and Graham Smith. He is also survived by two step great grandchildren. Funeral services for Mr. Doug A.

Smith will be conducted July 10, 2008 at 2:00pm at the Hurst Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, with Dr. Sue Curran and the Rev. Raymond "Buddy" Herald officiating. Interment will follow at Clinch Valley Memorial Cemetery in Richlands, Virginia. Friends will serve as pallbearers. Honorary Pallbearers will be employees of Norfolk and Southern Railway. Members of the American Veterans Honor Guard Association will conduct military graveside rites. Friends may call after 6:00pm Wednesday night at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia

Tribute Wall



“ *Douglas Smith*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Douglas Smith*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *I am so sorry for the loss of Doug. I have such fond memories of him from childhood. May God be with you and comfort you in this time of loss. I know he is in a better place with no more pain.*
Lois Smith

Lois Smith - July 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I wish we had gotten a chance to meet your dad. He was obviously quite a guy!*

Love,

Jonathan, Lynn, Bay, & Nate

Jonathan Phillips - July 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Aunt Jan and family,
I am so sorry to hear about Uncle Doug's death. I know it is a hard time for all and my prayers are with every one of you. I will remember Uncle Doug as a happy person who always had a smile on his face and a funny story ready to tell. I offer my heartfelt condolences to you and hope that the thought of all of the brothers finally being together once again lends some peace and comfort to the family. Much love. Becky

Ken and Becky Mullins - July 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Doug was an extraordinarily kind and dear man. He will be sorely missed by those who had the privilege of knowing him. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jan and her family.

Beth Townsend - July 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Doug Sr. was a wonderful man to know. We are sadden for your lose. We would like to pass on our condolences to the entire Smith family. Doug Sr. will be greatly missed.

Tim & Joann Phillips - July 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ My first railway supervisory assignment came in 1972 when Richlands office was reopened and crews were once again dispatched from there.

Doug was unique in that he was always six steps ahead of any of the other brakemen the railway employed. I never had an unkind word with him or from him because he was the epitome of what you wanted an employee to be--erstwhile and efficient. Doug was this and so much more in that he always had that great big smile that set him apart from all the others. Only the peace of God can grant a smile such as he had.

Thankfully, he is at home with the Master now and it is our job to hold on to get where Doug is now smiling--like never before!
God bless each of you in this hour of remembrance...

Tom Prichard - July 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM