



Max Smith

September 21, 1937 - September 18, 2004

Mr. Max Wheeler Smith, age 66, of Richlands, Virginia, died Saturday, September 18th, 2004 at a Bristol, Tennessee hospital following a brief illness. He was born in Tazewell County, Virginia and was a son of the late Jeff and Laura Frances Wheeler Smith, both Tazewell County natives. He was a life long resident of the Tazewell County area, was a 1956 Tazewell High School graduate and received his Business Degree from Southwest Virginia Community College. He was Manager and Sec. Treasurer of V. H. Holmes and Sons, Inc. for 45 years. He served his church, the Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ in Richlands as Sunday School Director, Board of Trustees, Sec. Treasurer, and Door Keeper for 40 years. Max loved his family, church, garden, and nature. He was an active member of Tazewell County Sportsmens Club for the past 26 years having served as founder of the Wildlife Committee, President, and was on the Board of Directors. He will be greatly missed by his family, church, friends, and business associates; but Heaven has gained a special angel. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three sisters, Edna Hartong, Carol Shrader, Reva Elswick; two brothers, Bascom ?Buck? Smith, and Robert ?Bob? Smith. Survivors are: His loving wife of 47 years, Mrs. Emily Ann Stinson Smith Two Daughters: Mrs. Iris Martin of Richlands, Virginia Mrs. Crystal Gibson of Cedar Bluff, Virginia One Son, Mr. Mark W. Smith of Richlands, Virginia Three Sisters: Mrs. Verla Harrison of Clifffield, Virginia Mrs. Myrtle Anders of Ocala, Florida Mrs. Frankie Jessee of Brandon, Florida One Brother, Mr. Jack Smith

of Wikiup, Arizona Four Grandchildren: Thomas A. Martin, Brandon L. Smith, Timothy B. Gibson, and Paul E. Gibson. Many nieces, nephews, and special friends, Barbara Holmes and Rhonda Estep also survive. Funeral services for Mr. Max Wheeler Smith will be conducted Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. at the Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ 200 Cliff St. Richlands, Virginia with Rev. Frankie Lester and Rev. Kenny Pruett officiating. Interment will follow in Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia. Pallbearers will be: Steve Saunders, Bobby Mullins, Ron Toney, James Blankenship, Phillip Stinson, Rhudy Keith, David Mitchell, Glen Stinson, Chad Estep, and Clebern Newberry. Members of Tazewell County Sportsmen Club and Elders of the Richlands Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ will serve as honorary pallbearers. Friends may call at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands after 6:00 p.m. Monday and at the church Tuesday, one hour prior to the funeral service. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Max Smith*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Max Smith*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *To the Max Smith Family. Your loss is great. Max was so good to my Mom. May God be with you all during this time. We will keep you in our prayers.*

Buck & Shirley Smith - September 18, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ *From Brian and Bertha Guy, to Crystal and Family
We are sorry to hear of the passing of Max. Our Prayers are with you.*

Brian & Bertha Guy - September 18, 2004 at 12:00 AM

FD

“ Our hearts hurt for the pain you are feeling in the loss of Max today and the days to come. But we rejoice for him that he is in his heavenly home with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. What a blessing it is to know we will see him again.

We are fortunate to have so many wonderful memories of his time with us here on earth. I treasure our family times together.

Please know we love you and will keep all of you in our prayers, praying that God will give you peace and strength in the days to come.

Frances Dunn - September 18, 2004 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Emily and family. Max was a man loved by all and I am so glad that we had an opportunity to renew our relationship a few years ago.

I know he will be missed but I hope that you can hold his strength in your hearts, and that you can get through this time, and know that he is in a place without pain and is at peace.

We love you.

Jan, Leif, & Frank

Leif & Jan Werneid/Frank Shrader - September 18, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *My Deepest sympathy to the entire family on your loss.....May the Lord watch over and guide you in the days ahead as you cope with your loss..*

*Love and Prayers.
Jane Ellen Horton*

Jane Ellen Horton - September 18, 2004 at 12:00 AM

WI

“ *My heart and prayers are with you, Emily and family. We remember how you stood by us when Pansie died and we know what a wonderful person Max was. I will write to you. With much love, Your cousin, Wilma*

wilma(Newberry)Fletcher - September 18, 2004 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Emily, Iris, Crystal, Mark and Thomas,
I was so saddened to read about the passing of your dear husband,
father and grandfather, Max. I am blessed to have met your family
but wish it could have been under different circumstances. It was
very obvious that you were a loving and devoted family and my
heart aches for you and what you have been through these past
weeks but I know you are strong in your faith and that God will
comfort each of you. You did everything it was possible for you to do
in trying to make Max well but it just wasn't meant to be. God had
other plans. He is not suffering now and is in a much better place.

*Please drop me a line Emily when you would have time. I would
have written but didn't have address.*

My mother is still in hospital. Will see how that goes.

*I will remember you in my prayers and my life was richly blessed by
having met you.*

*Love you,
Brenda Cessna*

Brenda Cessna - September 18, 2004 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ HI, Emily! I don't know if you caught the name, but I got married in
August & now live in Johnson City, but do not work in a kmart
anymore. I just wanted to say that I'm sorry for your loss & if there's
anything I can do, please let me know. Mom & dad also send their
condolences.

*Thinking of you,
Becky*

Becky Shortridge Witt - September 18, 2004 at 12:00 AM