



Gerald "Jerry" D. Smith

June 10, 1941 - February 12, 2025

Gerald "Jerry" D. Smith, age 83 of Lake, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, February 12, 2025 at the MyMichigan Medical Center of Midland. On June 10, 1941, Jerry was born the son of Cleo and Dorothea (Haines) Smith in Cadillac, MI. He was united in marriage to Linda Adkins on October 23, 1965 in Pontiac, MI., and together they shared fifty-nine years of marriage. Shortly after graduating from Waterford High School, Jerry served in the United States Army. At the conclusion of Jerry's military service, he began working for General Motors, where he served as an electrician up to the point of his retirement in 1999. In 2000, Jerry and Linda moved permanently to Lake, where they enjoyed their retirement. Jerry's hobbies included fishing, hunting, and working in his vegetable and pumpkin gardens. He also enjoyed following the Lions and Tigers and grilling.

Jerry is survived by his wife Linda of Lake and his sons Garret (Carol) Smith of Allendale, MI and Kevin Smith of Lake. Other survivors include his son-in-law Dave Talley of Milford, nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and his sisters Judy (Dennis) Chojnowski of FL., Joyce Frye of Grand Blanc, MI., and Jean Smith of FL. Jerry was preceded in death by his daughter Michelle Talley, his brother Jim Smith, and his parents Cleo and Dorothea Smith.

In keeping with Jerry's wishes, cremation has taken place. A private graveside service will take place at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, MI. on a date yet to be determined. Memorial contributions in honor of Jerry may be directed to the Wounded Warrior Project. Online condolences may be shared

on Jerry's tribute page at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Rd
Holly, MI 48442-9444
(248) 328-0386

Previous Events

Military Honors

JUN 10. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Denver Carey family Scott Carey purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Gerald "Jerry" D. Smith.*



Denver Carey family Scott Carey - February 16, 2025 at 07:15 PM

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“ *Denver Carey family Scott Carey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gerald "Jerry" D. Smith.*

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