



Harold J. Smith Sr

August 2, 1928 - April 25, 2023

SHIRLEY: Harold J. Smith, Sr., 94, of Shirley died Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at Nashoba Park, Ayer.

His wife of 53 years, Rita L. (Pauley) Smith died September 7, 2000.

Mr. Smith was born in Shirley, August 2, 1928 one of three sons born to Chester and Anna (LePage) Smith and was a lifelong Shirley resident.

For nineteen years Mr. Smith worked as driver at Montachusett Home Care in Leominster for which he was recognized by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for his many years of outstanding service.

Previously, he had worked in the maintenance department at Lura A. White School in Shirley and as a foreman at George Frost Company also in Shirley. He had also served as a Special Officer for the Shirley Police Department.

Mr. Smith was a member of St. Anthony's Church in Shirley. He was a member of the Shirley Council on Aging and was instrumental in the formation of the Shirley Senior Center. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Shirley American Legion as well as the Board of Directors of Montachusett Home Care.

He leaves three sons, Sonny Smith of Gardner, David M. Smith of Milford, NH,

John G. Smith of Medway; two daughters, Donna M. Jordan of Fitchburg, Sharon A. Copenhaver of Belchertown; twelve grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren.

He was the brother of the late Edward Smith of Shirley and Robert Smith of Melbourne, Florida.

Mr. Smith's funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 AM Monday, May 1, 2023 at St. Anthony's Church, 14 Phoenix Street, Shirley. Interment will be in the parish cemetery.

His family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours 2-5 PM Sunday, April 30, 2023 at Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Road, (Rte. 2A) Ayer. For additional information or to leave an online condolence please visit their website at www.andersonfuneral.com

Memorial contributions may be made to Aging Services of North Central Massachusetts, 680 Mechanic Street, Leominster, MA 01453. <https://www.aging-servicesma.org/>

Cemetery Details

St. Anthony's Cemetery

Shaker Road
Shirley, MA

Previous Events

Calling Hours

APR 30. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A
Ayer, MA 01432
(978) 772-2355

Funeral Mass

MAY 1. 10:00 AM (ET)

St Anthony of Padua Church
14 Phoenix St
Shirley, MA 01464-2507
(978) 772-2414

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sonny, your brothers, sisters and entire Smith family. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you go through this difficult time.* ”

David A Lambert - May 07, 2023 at 08:46 AM

RG

“ *Rich Gendron lit a candle in memory of Harold J. Smith Sr* ”



Rich Gendron - April 28, 2023 at 02:15 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Harold J. Smith Sr.* ”



April 28, 2023 at 11:03 AM



“ *♥ sent a virtual gift in memory of Harold J. Smith Sr* ”



♥ - April 26, 2023 at 11:38 PM

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“ *Nancy Tarbell lit a candle in memory of Harold J. Smith Sr*



Nancy Tarbell - April 26, 2023 at 08:55 PM

ES

“ *Ed,Patty,Dennis,Shirley,Joanne and Steve purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Harold J. Smith Sr.*



Ed,Patty,Dennis,Shirley,Joanne and Steve - April 26, 2023 at 07:22 PM