



James E Smith

September 30, 1945 - April 9, 2022

James Edward Smith (Jim) of Toledo, Ohio passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Saturday April 9th at the age of 76.

Born September 30, 1945, he grew up on the west end of Toledo. His parents were Edward H. and Dorthy W. Smith. Jim had an older sister, Betty Jean, and grew up playing the drums and performing on stage with his sister.

Jim graduated from Devilbiss High School in 1963. From there, he attended college at both The Ohio State University and the University of Toledo. In 1966, he met and courted the love of his life, Teresa (Terri) A. Myers Smith. They married in 1968 and lived a storybook life together. Jim and Terri traveled frequently to destinations near and far.

He joined the 555th Ohio Air National Guard's band in 1967 and was very proud of his service.

A man of integrity and honor, Jim worked diligently in his professional and personal life to provide for his immediate and extended family. He was faithfully a man of service and was significantly involved in community matters in Toledo and then later, Maumee. A few of his contributions, among many, were: Maumee Rotary member, president of the Maumee Chamber of Commerce, president of the Maumee Little League, and silent donor for many

of the local projects around the city and his home church, St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

He enjoyed family, friends, and gatherings of any kind. Any friend Jim made, was life-long. He played golf and for several years was an active member of the Toledo Country Club and Brandywine Country Club.

Of the accomplishments he was most proud, supporting his kid's pursuit of higher education was the greatest. Although he never finished college, he was adamant that his kids had the opportunity to pursue their higher education goals.

Jim was preceded in death by Edward H. Smith (father), Dorothy W. Smith (mother), Betty Jean Smith (sister), Bradley J. Smith (son), and Katherine E. Myers (sister in-law).

He will be greatly missed by his wife Terri, and surviving children Todd G. Smith, James M. Smith, Meghan E. Smith; grandchildren Bradley M. Smith, Jaden R. Longfellow, Brenton S. Smith, Truitt J. Smith; brother in-law Joseph A. Myers; niece Rebecca Koike (Michael); nephews William K. Newcomb, III, Matthew Myers (Wendy), and Thomas Myers (Tamara).

Family will receive friends on Monday April 18th from 4-8pm with a Scripture Service at 7pm at Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd, Toledo OH 43614. Funeral Mass of the Resurrection will take place at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church on Tuesday April 19th at 11am with burial to follow at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Maumee.

Finally, should you hit a hole-in-one on any golf adventure in 2022, credit him with the success and toast him with a scotch.

Memorials may take the form of contributions to the Cherry Street Mission, Wounded Warriors (Northwest Ohio Chapter) or to First Tee (Northwest Ohio Chapter). Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at www.coylefuneralhome.com <<http://www.coylefuneralhome.com>>

Cemetery Details

St Joseph (Maumee)

104 West Broadway Street
Maumee, OH 43537

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614

Mass

APR 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joan Of Arc
5856 Heatherdowns Blvd
Toledo, OH

Tribute Wall

SM

“ While planning to attend the 62nd reunion of our 1963 Devilbiss High School Class, I learned Jim had passed away. The reunion was last Friday, July 18, 2025. Several members of the DHS band attended and had wonderful memories of Jim and the great times we had and what a terrific and fun friend he was. Along with Jim we all played in the Concert and Marching band, the Pit band, as well as local dance bands. Jim and I often liked the same girls but usually they dated Jim, and I found another girl to go on double dates. Always a fun time. Those great memories will last forever.

I have not seen Jim in decades but still considered him a good friend. We all have lost a special person, and he will be missed. But we are all fortunate to have known Jim.

*God Bless Jim's family!
Steve McNew, DHS 1963*

Steve McNew - July 20, 2025 at 04:24 PM

TK

“ Terri, I am so sad to read of Jim's passing. Such a wonderful person!! Actually BOTH of you are wonderful wonderful people. My sincere sympathy to you all. Toby Krabill

Toby Krabill - April 19, 2022 at 04:53 PM

BS

“ Terri and family,
So sorry to hear about your loss. Thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Bruce Snyder - April 18, 2022 at 06:15 PM

CV

“ 2 files added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - April 17, 2022 at 09:28 PM

JC

“ Dear Terri, I was so shocked and saddened to hear of Jim's passing. I considered Jim a good friend. He was always such a joy to talk to. During our many conversations he told me of how both of you traveled extensively and some of the experiences that you took away from your travels. We always enjoyed having a cold beer after golf or if I did work whether it was on the patio or your lovely gazebo. My prayers are with you. I have moved permanently to Florida, so I cannot pay my respects in person. My deep sympathy for you and your family. Sincerely, John Conrad.

john conrad - April 15, 2022 at 08:07 AM

WI

“ Terri & family
So sorry to hear of JIM's passing. He was a great guy! Always a lot of fun at Toledo Country Club and when he came out to visit me in Vegas with the Thursday afternoon golf group!
Bill Dwyer

William E Dwyer III - April 14, 2022 at 06:42 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of James E Smith.*



April 14, 2022 at 10:52 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James E Smith.*



April 14, 2022 at 09:04 AM



“ *Dear Terri, Todd, Jimmy, Meghan and family,*

Words cannot adequately express how deeply saddened we are by Jim's passing.

He was an extraordinarily generous and kind man. We will miss him so much!

May you be comforted in the days ahead by all your wonderful memories.

*With our deepest sympathy,
Harold and Sue Schwartz*

Susan Schwartz - April 13, 2022 at 09:45 PM

MB

“ Terri,
Charlotte & I send our sincere condolences to you and family of the passing of
JIM.
Memories of golfing at BCC, Florida golf trips, and rooting for our beloved BUCKEYES.
everlasting good times will last forever
He will be remembered for his compassion, and willingness to help all that he met.
Merle & Charlotte Bryner
4000 Aston Gardens Drive Regency # 315
Venice, Florida 34292

Merle Bryner - April 13, 2022 at 05:34 PM

MP

“ Dear Terri,
We are shocked and saddened to read of Jim's passing. It's been a while since we've seen him, so he is still very young, handsome and vibrant in our mind's eyes. May God rest his soul and comfort you, and all who loved him.
Prayers and sympathies,
Mary and Joe Pierce

Mary Pierce - April 13, 2022 at 04:17 PM

HP

“ Codoldences on Jim's passing. Your family were great neighbors

Hank Pauly - April 12, 2022 at 03:17 PM