



Carl Brian Smith

July 31, 1949 - June 15, 2023

Carl Brian Smith, “Brian”, 73, of Johnson City, TN, entered into God’s kingdom on June 15, 2023. He was born on July 31, 1949, to Mary Ruth Cross and J.C. Smith. Brian grew up in Wildwood, Georgia at the foot of Lookout Mountain in Dade County.

Brian was a loving son, brother, father, and grandfather. He is preceded in death by his father, J.C. Smith; mother, Mary Ruth (Cross) Hoosier; and stepfather, Jerry Hoosier. He is survived by his daughter, Anna Mancuso; son-in-law, Joshua Mancuso; his three granddaughters, Amilia (14); Ella (12); and Sofia (7) Mancuso; and his sister, Marianne Hoosier.

Brian attended Dade County High School, and then pursued his college education, graduating with a Bachelor’s of Science in Nutrition from Auburn University in 1972. Brian met and married Donna Stiltner in 1982, and they had one child, Anna, in 1985. He had various careers throughout his life, including a horticulturist in a plant nursery for several years; a salesman for United Cities Gas Co.; and a career at Nuclear Fuel Services in Erwin, TN, prior to retiring in 2006. Brian was a devoted and supportive father, and he took great delight in being a “Pappy” to his granddaughters. In his last years of life he enjoyed being outdoors in nature and spending time with his granddaughters. Brian was a faithful believer in the Bible and he loved the Lord. His favorite scripture was Isaiah 40:31 “but those who hope in the Lord

will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.” As per Brian’s request, there will be no funeral service. In lieu of flowers or gifts, the family requests that memories of Brian be shared on the website of Ryan Funeral Home @ryanfuneralhome.net. Brian had a love for nature and God’s creation, and as a tribute to his memory, one may have a memorial tree planted in his honor by visiting www.alivingtribute.org.

Tribute Wall



“ *Carl Brian Smith*

October 09, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Brian used to bring Mary to my house for Thanksgiving, we all had such a good time and made many good memories. I'm so sorry to hear of his passing. Praying for the family as they transition through this difficult time and loss.*

Kay Taylor

Kay Taylor - June 24, 2023 at 06:21 PM



Kay, thank you for your thoughts and your wonderful support of our family for throughout the many years.

Love, Marianne

Marianne Hoosier - June 26, 2023 at 03:59 PM



Thank you so much for thoughts and prayers, and thank you for sharing.

Anna Mancuso - July 07, 2023 at 08:44 AM



“ *We will miss Brian! Brian and my dad (Pat) were lifelong friends. I have fond memories of Brian coming to our house to spend time with dad. They loved to spend time fishing and hunting. I remember when your parents started dating and were married at Wildwood Methodist. I was their flower girl in their wedding. Sending my love and prayers to you and your family!*

Rebecca Townsend Johnson

Rebecca Townsend Johnson - June 23, 2023 at 08:58 AM

MH

Rebecca, thank you. Yes, your dad and Pat had a great friendship. I considered myself lucky if I was able to tag along on their creek road hunting or fishing trips. We would be in your dad's old military jeep. Thank you for sharing, Marianne

Marianne Hoosier - June 26, 2023 at 04:02 PM

RJ

Marianne, dad talked about hunting with you and Brain all the time. Such great memories for him! Hope you are doing well.

Rebecca Townsend Johnson - June 29, 2023 at 12:38 PM

AM

Thank you so much for sharing this. He loved your dad Pat like a brother, I don't think he ever got over losing his best friend. Thanks again for your kind words and the memories. Hope you're doing well.

Anna Mancuso - July 07, 2023 at 08:42 AM

BS

“*I am saddened too hear of Brian's passing. I went all threw school with Brian from first grade to twelfth grade. In the fourth grade he used too share his candy with me...he seemed too always tote a bag of candy. Brian was very outgoing with a glad too see you smile and a big hug. I know you will miss him. My deepest sympathies. May God be a very present help in the days ahead. Much love and prayers. ❤️*

Brenda Steele - June 19, 2023 at 04:05 PM

AM

Thank you so much for sharing this Brenda. Yes, he will be greatly missed. He was a special person indeed. ❤️ -Anna

Anna Mancuso - June 20, 2023 at 09:52 PM

MH

Brenda, I too appreciate you sharing your experiences and thoughts with us. I never knew he was such a fan of candy :) Thank you, Marianne (his sister)

Marianne Hoosier - June 22, 2023 at 09:52 PM

DP

So sad to hear this news. Such a great guy. Was an usher in my wedding. Great memories of past years of friendship.

Dee peacock - June 24, 2023 at 01:11 AM

MH

Dee, Thank you for sharing. Your support is appreciated. Marianne

Marianne Hoosier - June 26, 2023 at 04:04 PM