



Alvin Smith

July 2, 1941 - April 2, 2007

Services for Alvin Roush Smith, 65 of Tyler, will be held on Friday, April 6, 2007 at 11:00 AM at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church with Dr. Shawn Corzine and a friend of the family Rev. Vernon Hodges officiating. Burial will follow in the Lakeview Cemetery in Longview under direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Smith passed away, Monday, April 2, 2007 at the East Texas Medical Center in Tyler. He was born July 2, 1941 in Gladewater, TX to his mother Virginia Fowler and late father Alvin Smith. He was a member of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon. Alvin grew up in Gladewater and graduated from Gladewater High School, where he was captain of his football team. He later attended the University of Texas in Arlington graduating with a Physics and Calculus Bachelors in Science Degree. He worked for IBM for 27 years living in various places but finally at age 55 he decided to retire in Texas. Alvin enjoyed collecting guns, antique furniture, hunting, and fishing. He was a people person who loved spending time with his family and friends. Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his father. Alvin is survived by his loving family including his mother; Virginia Fowler of Tyler; loving wife of 48 years, Ruth D. Smith of Tyler; son, Guy Smith of Flint; daughters, Emily Wideman and husband Hampton of Atlanta, GA and Sarah Wright and husband Steven of Orlando, Fl.; grandchildren, Chase Wideman, Nathan Fairbanks, Kathryn Wright, and Elizabeth Edmunds. The family will receive friends from 6:00 - 8:00 PM Thursday, April 5, 2007, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy., Tyler, Texas

75703. Memorials in honor of Alvin Smith may be made to the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church "Building Fund"; 13590 Hwy 110 S Tyler, TX 75702. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

JM

“ Roush, as I always called him, was a dear friend who, as the Talmud says, leaves us wearing the imperishable crown of a good name.

I will miss him.

John Mason Miings - April 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Roush was a very important member of the class of 1959. He knew how to make people laugh and feel at ease. We all loved him.

Brenda Wilson Word

Brenda Word - April 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ So sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one. We will be praying for you and your family. Billie and Danna Sims.

Billie Ray and Danna Sims - April 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Roush was more than a classmate, he was a dear friend who will be missed VERY VERY much. I will miss his phone calls, emails and visits. He was here in Gladewater a few weeks ago to help plan our next class reunion. The GHS class of '59 is a very close family and when one of our family passes there is grief and a feeling of a tremendous loss.

Roush had a big heart for loving others and would go out of his way to help someone.

Leon Watson - April 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Mr. Smith, While I never knew you, I know your son. HE is your proud legacy for he is proof of your well-doing, not to mention good genes...funny, loving, brilliant...and my best buddy in the world.

Laneil Bailey - April 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I intended to sign the registry, but forgot in the midst of leaving. Please know that you are remembered during the time of loss, but to know that he is home with Jesus is so special and at Easter time, too. What a comfort.
Love and prayers, Shirley.

Shirley Crook - April 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JL

Roush worked with me at R.G. LeTourneau inc., following his marriage to Ruth. From what I can remember, he had just graduated from high school! What a joy he and Ruth were to me as a student in LeTourneau University, We delivered the mail for the college as well as the plant. Sweet memories! Would love to see Ruth and family as well as his mother who work in the offices at LeTourneau!

Jim Lilley - April 13, 2021 at 04:49 PM