



Douglas "Doug" Wayne Smith

July 25, 1943 - August 26, 2024

ADRIAN- Douglas "Doug" Wayne Smith, age 81, of Adrian, Michigan, died late Monday evening, August 26, 2024, at Adrian Bay Rehab and Nursing Center under the care of Hospice of Lenawee.

Doug was born on July 25, 1943, in Mason, Michigan, the third of Carlton F. and Leona A. (Danby) Smith's four children. After high school Doug went on to earn his bachelor's degree at the General Motors Institute in Flint, MI.

On August 22, 1964, Doug married Barbara C. Duncan in Lansing, MI and they recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. During their marriage, Doug and Barbara raised 3 children and grew in faith and love.

Over the years, Doug has worked as an automotive engineer for several automotive companies. He retired from Ford Motor Company after 25 years of dedicated service. He has always had an interest in radio-controlled planes and building various models and trains. Doug and Barbara traveled all over the United States and enjoyed taking the family on camping adventures. Doug has been an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Adrian. Family was always the center of Doug's life, and he treasured the roles of husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

In addition to his wife, Doug is survived by their children, Laura (Jim) Radke,

Jeffrey (Sherry) Smith and Kathleen (Shaun) Pawlus; grandchildren, Michelle (Scott) Thurman, Chelsea Radke, Nick (Kathryn) Smith, Abbie Smith, Casey Pawlus; one great-granddaughter, Audrey Craig; and siblings, Roger Smith and Vicki Zaikowski. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Fred Smith; granddaughter, Emily Pawlus; sister-in-law, Judy Smith and brother-in-law, Jerry Zaikowski.

A memorial service for Doug will be held on September 7, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., at St. John's Lutheran Church in Adrian, with Pastor Joel Sarrault officiating; visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until the service begins. There will be a luncheon following the service and burial will take place directly afterwards at St. John's Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church in his memory.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com

Cemetery Details

St. John's Cemtery

Oakwood Road
Adrian, MI 49221

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

SEP 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John's Lutheran Church
3448 North Adrian Highway
Adrian, MI

Memorial Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. John's Lutheran Church
3448 North Adrian Highway
Adrian, MI

Luncheon

SEP 7. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

St. John's Lutheran Church
3448 North Adrian Highway
Adrian, MI

Burial

SEP 7. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

VD

“ Vicki, Dawn, Deb, Deanne purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Douglas "Doug" Wayne Smith.



Vicki, Dawn, Deb, Deanne - September 05, 2024 at 02:03 PM

JF

“ Jim & Tammi Johnson and Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Douglas "Doug" Wayne Smith.



Jim & Tammi Johnson and Family - September 04, 2024 at 09:35 PM

JS

“ I am sorry. I had privilege of knowing and caring for him. I will miss him. Jamie

Jamie Spaulding - August 31, 2024 at 09:17 PM

MH

“ Barb and family,
So deeply sorry for the passing of your beloved, Doug. Having worshipped together for years, we know he is with the Lord. The pain of separation is great, but we do not grieve without hope. May the love of God and the promise of eternal life comfort you in the days ahead.
Love, Melodee Hoff

Melodee Hoff - August 29, 2024 at 08:14 AM