



Harold J. Smith, Sr.

November 23, 1925 - December 12, 2013

Harold J. Smith, Sr., 88, of Hudson, passed away Thursday, December 12, 2013 at Columbia Memorial Hospital.

Born November 23, 1925 in Hudson, he was the son of the late Edgar and Elizabeth (Storms) Smith.

Harold served in the Army during World War II. He was the owner and operator of the A-Z Cleaning Company in Hudson, where he employed numerous young people. He was a member of the Hudson American Legion 184 and the Hudson Elks Lodge 787. Harold was a Hudson City Alderman, a Hudson City Republican Chairman, and on the Columbia County Economic Development Board for 25 years. He was involved with the American Legion Baseball Team. Harold enjoyed baseball, golf, and going to Saratoga during the track season.

Harold is survived by four sons, James A. Smith (Linda) , David P. Smith, and Harold J. Smith, Jr. (Pam Mickle), all of Hudson, and Robert J. Smith of Phoenix, AZ. He also has five grandchildren, Candace Smith and Bryan Smith, both of Hudson, Shannon (Matthew) Card of Claverack, Jason Smith of CT, and Megan Smith of Hudson, and three great-grandchildren, Payton, Nevaeh, and Amarianna.

He was predeceased by his wife, Anna (Concra) Smith in 2006, three brothers, Edwin, Robert, and Clifford, and his sister, Marion Gorsline.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 11:00 am Tuesday at St. Mary's Church, 429 East Allen Street, Hudson. Burial will be in Cedar Park Cemetery.

Calling hours will be Monday from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at the Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

JO

“ *Memories live forever...And I have been told, when you think of them, they are thinking of you..And they live in your heart....Sending condolences and prayers to your family..
Warmest regards, Joan L Miller*

Joan - December 20, 2013 at 07:20 AM

CS

“ *Dear Robert,
Our deepest condolences to you and your family on the passing of your father. Some of us got to meet him when he visited you here in Phoenix; he was a wonderful man. We've made a donation to the ADOT Christmas Angels in honor of your father.
From your ADOT/MVD family.*

Chuck Saillant - December 18, 2013 at 07:26 AM

KA

“ *Robert & Family,

My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Take care of each other. Sincerely, Karen Burback*

Karen - December 17, 2013 at 10:22 PM

AW

“ *My sincere condolences go out to the family. he will be remembered as a great man full of beautiful energy.*

Amber W. - December 17, 2013 at 09:31 PM

GJ

“ *Big Harold (as Anna used to call him), Smitty to the rest of us, was my first baseball coach, my first boss and the father I didn't have as mine passed away when I was 7. he taught me a genuine love for the game, treated me with respect, made sure I respected others and understood the value of good days work & pay. He also got me hooked on golf.*



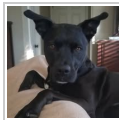
I still see him rubbing/scratching the sides of his head as he paced inside the dogout urging us on to another Chas Williams victory. He and his lovely wife Anna opened their home to us (every kid in the neighborhood) every day and I genuinely believe they weren't happy unless they heard the sounds of a half a dozen youths playing strat-0-matic baseball and 2 - 10 Homerun being yelled by one of us.

Rest in peace my friend, we miss you! Please give Anna hugs for us.

Jimmy, David, Harold, Robert, I am sorry I can not be there in person but my heart and soul is there with you. Please put pop's Mets hat in with him to keep the sun out of his eyes.

*Lots of love always,
George Jostlin*

george jostlin - December 16, 2013 at 10:27 PM



Very nicely said. Thank you.

Robert Smith - December 18, 2013 at 07:15 AM

KI

“ *Kirk.dixon. lit a candle in memory of Harold J. Smith, Sr.*



kirk.dixon. - December 16, 2013 at 10:03 PM

JZ

“ *David I am sorry too here of your loss Just remember all the good memory you have Rest in peace Josie*

Josie zacharzuk - December 16, 2013 at 11:24 AM

WS

“ *When I remember Smitty a key phrase comes to mind. "There's a time for work, and there's a time for play". While he has left this mortal world I will always remember his quiet demeanor, his practical jokes and his keen business sense as well as his never being daunted by challenges. Rest in peace, Smitty...*

William Slemp - December 16, 2013 at 07:44 AM

BJ

“ *Bob LaCasse Jr. lit a candle in memory of Harold J. Smith, Sr.*



Bob LaCasse Jr. - December 15, 2013 at 09:58 PM

DO

“ *Linda and family*

I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers

Donna and Frank O'Neil

Donna O'Neil - December 15, 2013 at 06:53 AM

VG

“ *Harold, So sorry to hear about Pops. Our hearts go out to you and your family. He will never be forgotten.. Always made me smile.*
Vic G. & Renee

Victor Gorman - December 14, 2013 at 05:35 PM

SH

“ *Steve Hotaling lit a candle in memory of Harold J. Smith, Sr.*



steve hotaling - December 14, 2013 at 02:31 PM

DS

“ *Harold,*

I'm very sorry to hear about the passing of your father. Please accept my deepest condolences in your family's loss. May his memory be eternal.

*Your friend,
David Soule*

David Soule - December 14, 2013 at 01:44 PM



“ Marie Key lit a candle in memory of Harold J. Smith, Sr.



Marie Key - December 14, 2013 at 01:12 PM



Uncle you will be missed so much, Ty for the memories....Luv Ya

Marie Key - December 14, 2013 at 01:13 PM

CS

“ I miss u pop but I know u and grandma are looking watching over us

candace smith - December 14, 2013 at 08:26 AM

DA

“ Donna (Gorsline) Atkins lit a candle in memory of Harold J. Smith, Sr.



Donna (Gorsline) Atkins - December 14, 2013 at 07:11 AM

BS

“ Becky (Meicht) Siegel lit a candle in memory of Harold J. Smith, Sr.



Becky (Meicht) Siegel - December 14, 2013 at 04:43 AM



God bless you Robert and your family to have been blessed with your Dad.

mary withkowski - December 14, 2013 at 08:41 PM