



Arden Dale Smith

February 2, 1924 - September 14, 2017

Arden Dale Smith, 93, of Iron Mountain, died Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017 at Florence Health Services in Florence. He was born in Mackinac County, MI on Feb. 2, 1924, the seventh son of the seventh son, to the late Cecil Smith and Anna (Tserice) Smith.

Arden served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the European Theater. He started as a route driver for the Michigan Bakery, delivering bread throughout the eastern Upper Peninsula. He then went to work for the Teamsters, driving truck on construction sites and at the mines.

Arden married Rosalie Turk on Sept. 21, 1948 in Alanson, MI. The couple enjoyed almost sixty-nine years of marriage.

Arden was a life member of the American Legion Uren-Cooper-Johnson Post 50. He was a very active member of the Masons Lodge 388 in Iron Mountain/Kingsford and Lodge 369 in St. Ignace, where he was a Past Master. He also served as the Past Patron for the Order of the Eastern Star Myrtle Chapter 56 in Ithaca and Innes Chapter 130 in St. Ignace.

He had a strong faith and was a member at Evangelical Covenant Church and the Homestead Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife Rosalie, six children Michael (Jean) Smith of Charlevoix, MI, Gary (Geraldine) Smith of Homestead, Steve (Patty) Smith of Iron Mountain, Charles (Denise) Smith of Iron Mountain, Susan (David) Marihugh of Harbor Springs, MI, and Ronald Smith of Iron Mountain, two brothers Vernor (Pat) Smith of St. John, MI and Norman (Nancy) Smith of St. Ignace, fifteen grandchildren and their spouses, 41 great grandchildren, two great great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Arden was preceded in death by seven brothers, two sisters, one daughter-in-law Diane Smith, two grandchildren Ryandavid Marihugh and Nicole Smith, and one great granddaughter Ava Simmons.

Visitation will be Sunday from 3-5pm at the Evangelical Covenant Church in Norway and Monday from 9-10am at the church. Funeral services will follow at 10am at the church. Rev. James Danielson and Pastor Seiya Asanuma will officiate.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park. Graveside military rites will be accorded by American Legion Posts 50 and 145. Masonic rites will also be held at the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established.

Condolences to the family of Arden D. Smith can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

Cedar Ave
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Evangelical Covenant Church
120 O'Dill Road
Norway, MI 49870

Visitation

SEP 18. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

SEP 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Heartfelt condolences to Rosie from Red and Elva's daughter Punky.



Punky - September 18, 2017 at 10:30 PM

Maddie
Shorkey

“ He was always my favorite person to see in church because he always had a big smile on his face and always gave me a big hug.

Maddie Shorkey - September 18, 2017 at 09:17 AM

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“ You will have to save his seat at the C&R. He will be missed., Kathe Oliva

kathe oliva - September 17, 2017 at 08:32 PM



“ Whenever I saw him, he was always smiling and enjoying family. Our hearts go out to all the family. Loretta Divine

Loretta Divine - September 16, 2017 at 10:36 PM

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“ what a guy!!!! I was fortunate to have 9 Smith uncles--Uncle Arden being just one of them. He and Rosalie were very good to my parents (Clifford and Betty Smith). Will miss him so much.

Sally St.onge - September 16, 2017 at 08:27 PM



“ *Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Arden Dale Smith.*



September 16, 2017 at 11:30 AM



“ *Our thoughts are with you at this time of sorrow. May the wonderful memories help you through. Marty and Linda Haapala*

Martin and Linda Haapala - September 16, 2017 at 08:23 AM