



Gerald R, Smith

November 13, 1935 - May 15, 2016

Gerald R. Smith, 80, of Kingsford, passed away on Sunday May 15, 2016 at ManorCare Health Services in Kingsford. He was born on Nov. 13, 1935 in Kingsford, the son of the late Alfred and Doris (Richard) Smith.

He graduated from Kingsford High School in 1954 and went to work for Admiral Corp. in Harvard, IL and then to AutoLite in Woodstock, IL. He then went to work at General Motors in Janesville, WI, retiring on Feb. 1, 1993. After his retirement, he moved back to this area, where he enjoyed spending time outdoors, especially hunting and fishing. He had a strong faith and enjoyed spending time with his family.

He married Rosalie Martin in Corinth, MS, on Sept. 3, 1955 and they had sixty happy years together. They had seven children Deborah (Leon) Hesebeck of Oakfield, WI, Terry Smith of Florence, Randy Smith deceased 2001, David Smith of Florence, Glenn (Brenda) Smith of Shopiere, WI, Bruce (Crystal) Smith of Clinton, WI, Michelle (Craig) Connell of Florence, and a special daughter, and exchange student from 1989-1990, Stefanie Rahlwes from Germany.

He is further survived by three sisters Lillian (Oz) Rhyner of Clinton, Mary Jaffola of Aurora, and Christa (Robert) Fehrlle of Iron Mountain, one brother-in-law Gordon (Marge) Martin of Beloit, WI, 15 grandchildren, 17 great

grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and son, he was preceded in death by three brothers Cecil, Howard, and Peter Smith, his father and mother-in-law Gordon and Violet Martin, and one brother-in-law Ernest Martin.

Visitation will be Friday from 12 noon to 2pm at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2pm at the funeral home. Ray Miller and Jason McKinley will officiate. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Condolences to the family of Gerald R. Smith can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

3479 Montgomery Lake Road
Florence, WI 54121

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
(906) 774-7676
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

MAY 20. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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“ *Deb, Leon & Family,*

Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this difficult time.

*With deepest sympathy,
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