



Randy L. Smith

April 22, 1955 - June 5, 2024

Randy Smith, 69, of Centralia, passed away Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at his home.

In Centralia, Illinois on April 22, 1955, Randy was born to Charles J. Smith and Ruth A. (Lackey) Smith. He married Elaine Edwards on June 9, 1981 in Chicago and she preceded him in death on November 20, 2000.

Randy is survived by his companion of many years, Dawn Lewis; his brother: Chuck Smith and significant other Katrina Beard of McLeansboro, Illinois; a sister: Lisa Zawojski and husband Mark of New Melle, Missouri; a nephew: Michael Smith of Fort Myers, Florida; two nieces: Kelly Crosby and husband Sam of Marion, Ohio and Lacy Lonerio and husband Jason of St. Peters, Missouri; several great-nieces and great-nephews: Conner Lonerio, Addison Lonerio, Ellie Lonerio, Emily Smith, Brayden Crosby, and Calan Crosby and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

Randy served in the U.S. Navy and later for the U.S. Army. He also served as the Army Recruiter for many years and retired from the Army National Guard. He had a passion for restoring classic cars, going to car shows and flat track racing. He also enjoyed riding motorcycles and fishing. Randy loved his family and loved making memories during the Holidays with his family and friends over the years.

Per Randy's wishes, cremation rites will be accorded and a Graveside Service will be held Friday, June 14, 2024 at 10:00 am at Hillcrest Memorial Park in

Centralia with Pastor Steve Upchurch officiating. Military Honors will be accorded at the gravesite by the Centralia American Legion Post 446 and Centralia VFW Post 2055. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Wounded Warriors or Centralia Humane Society and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home and Cremation Services at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, who is honored to be of service to Randy's Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN 14. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Hillcrest Memorial Park
2500 Old Highway 51 North
Sandoval, IL 62882

Tribute Wall

KE

“ *My heart hurts for all those fortunate enough to know Randy in this life. He was one of the good ones. Always with a kind word, always supportive, always searching for the good in people. He took me under his wing and mentored me early in my career... before I even knew what a mentor was. I will be forever grateful to have known him and proud to call him my friend.*

Kim Eskew



Kim Eskew - June 13, 2024 at 07:10 PM

TH

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Randy's passing. My prayers and condolences to all.*

Toby Hillen

Toby Hillen - June 11, 2024 at 09:37 PM

JP

“ *Jan Poehelr lit a candle in memory of Randy*
L. Smith



Jan Poehelr - June 11, 2024 at 03:57 PM

LD

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort in the days ahead.
Leah Dugan
Golconda, IL

Leah Dugan - June 10, 2024 at 11:46 PM

PB

“ I am so sorry to see the loss of Randy. My thoughts and Prayers for
Chuck and the family at this time. Godspeed! 🙏💔😇😭

Peggy Myers Beal - June 10, 2024 at 08:35 PM

DT

So sorry for your loss. Prayers for all the family.

David Taylor - June 10, 2024 at 08:42 PM

DR

So sad to read this. I enjoyed talking to Randy when i saw him around
town. Hugs and prayers to Chuck and the family.

DOCIA M RAY - June 11, 2024 at 01:56 PM