



Merlin Smith

July 27, 1931 - October 4, 2010

Merlin L. "Smitty" Smith (1931-2010)

CEDAR FALLS- Merlin L. "Smitty" Smith, 79, of Cedar Falls, died Monday, October 4, 2010 at the Western Home Communities Martin Center.

He was born July 27, 1931 in Waterloo, the son of William and Hilda (Keding) Smith. He married Kathleen A. Fenelon on September 13, 1952 in Waterloo. She died May 20, 2006.

He was a graduate of Waterloo East High School and served in the United States Navy during the Korean Conflict. He was employed as a Tool Room Foreman with Chamberlain Manufacturing, retiring after forty-two years. In retirement, he was employed with Bancroft Flowers in delivery.

Survivors include four children: Mike (Janie) Smith of Grand Junction, CO, Susan (Tom) Aulwes of Cedar Rapids, IA, Sara (Jerry) Freeseaman of Holland, IA, and Brian (Jenny) Smith of Ackworth, IA; ten grandchildren; two step grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

Preceded in death by a brother, Virgil Smith; and two sisters, Virginia Nottger and Geraldine Sidebottom.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held 2:00 p.m. Friday at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church with burial in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, both in Waterloo. Military honors will be conducted by the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Richardson Funeral Home where there will be a 7 p.m. Vigil service.

Memorials may be directed to Cedar Valley Hospice or the Western Home Foundation.

Tribute Wall



“ *What a great loss for the Family and the rest of us. Merlin treated me like a father when I was growing up. I've learned so much from him during over my early years and those memories will be cherished by me for the rest of my life. He'll be missed by all.*

God bless Smitty and the souls of his family.

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“ *Sara and family: So sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I always enjoyed spending time with your Mom and Dad. Take care and God Bless*

*Rhonda Kling
Did flowers with your mom.*

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