



## Mr David Dewayne Smith

November 12, 1963 - January 3, 2025

David Dewayne Smith, age 61, of Union Grove, Alabama passed away at UAB Hospital Friday, January 3, 2025. David was born on November 12, 1963, in Marshall County, Alabama. David was a graduate of Arab High School class of 1982 and had also earned an associate degree. He and his wife, Rebecca Lynn Smith were married for over 36 years. He worked in Logistics at Redstone Arsenal before his declining health forced his early retirement. David was a lifelong resident of the town of Union Grove. He was highly respected and so well thought of within the community that he was elected mayor and willingly served in that capacity for over 20 years. David was of the Baptist faith, and a lifelong and faithful member of Union Grove First Baptist Church. David was immensely proud of his family, especially his four grandchildren. He was also a devout fan of the University of Alabama. For a number of years, David battled with severe health problems which he fought with strength, a strong faith, and resilience. He was the most

patient, loving, and kind man. His unwavering faith was an example to all. David is survived by his wife, Becky Smith; children, Jessica Hicks (Andrew) and Chase Smith (Courtney); grandchildren, Carter Hicks, Koen Hicks, Lyla Rae Smith, and Caroline Smith; sister, Venita Smith; stepsister, Laurie McAbee (Eddie); and a host of cousins, aunts, and uncles that were near and dear to his heart.

He was preceded in death by his parents David "Bud" Smith and Wanda Lee Narrell Smith, and step-mother Cheri Buchanan Smith.

Services for David include a visitation 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at Arab

Heritage Memorial Chapel. He will lie-in-state at Union Grove First Baptist Church on

Wednesday, January 8, 2025 from 10:00 a.m until the funeral service at 11:00. Brother Greg

Narrell and Brother Andy Kennedy will officiate. Escorting David to his final resting place in

Union Grove Church Cemetery will be Brian Bannister, Ray Hallmark, Kyle Neal, Jared Sharp,

Ricky York and Cody Davidson. Honorary Pallbearer is Ricky Narrell. Arab Heritage Memorial

Chapel, directing.

# Cemetery Details

## Union Grove Cemetery (Marshall County)

3920 Union Grove Road  
Union Grove, AL 35175

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel  
1340 North Main Street  
Arab, AL 35016  
(256) 586-4100

## Funeral Service

JAN 8. 11:00 AM.

First Baptist Church of Union Grove  
Union Grove, AL

# Tribute Wall

NM

“ *Nalani Clements McNary lit a candle in memory of Mr David Dewayne Smith*



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**Nalani Clements McNary** - July 16, 2025 at 07:58 PM

SF

“ *Samantha Fortner lit a candle in memory of Mr David Dewayne Smith*



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**Samantha Fortner** - January 08, 2025 at 09:10 PM

AW

“ *I have enjoyed working with Mr. David Smith throughout the years. We love and miss you dearly. Sending our condolences to the Smith family.*



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**Alexis Woody** - January 07, 2025 at 04:58 PM

RD

“ *Rob and Tracie Dulin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr David Dewayne Smith.*

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**Rob and Tracie Dulin** - January 07, 2025 at 12:17 PM

RD

“ Rob and Tracie Dulin purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Mr David Dewayne Smith.



Rob and Tracie Dulin - January 07, 2025 at 12:17 PM

HB

“ Hicks family Rodney, Rhonda, Sharee, Ben purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr David Dewayne Smith.



Hicks family Rodney, Rhonda, Sharee, Ben - January 06, 2025 at 09:02 PM

BK

“ Benjie and Tishina Neeley and kids purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr David Dewayne Smith.



Benjie and Tishina Neeley and kids - January 06, 2025 at 07:45 PM

DC

“ Debbie Clements lit a candle in memory of Mr David Dewayne Smith



Debbie Clements - January 06, 2025 at 03:16 PM

CS

“ So very sorry for your loss of this fine young man. My heart hurts for you all

Carl and Peggy Brooks Saint - January 06, 2025 at 01:12 PM

BW

“ Betty King Whisenant lit a candle in memory of Mr David Dewayne Smith



Betty King Whisenant - January 06, 2025 at 01:07 PM

JS

“ Joshua S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr David Dewayne Smith.

Joshua S. - January 06, 2025 at 09:04 AM

EW

“ Eric W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr David Dewayne Smith.

Eric W. - January 06, 2025 at 09:00 AM

EW

“ Eric W. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr David Dewayne Smith.



Eric W. - January 06, 2025 at 09:00 AM

CS

“ IM SORRY FOR THE FAMILYS LOSS. IVE KNOWN DAVE SINCE I CAN REMEMBER HE WAS AN STILL IS A ROLE MODEL FROM GOD AND TO THE PEOPLE HE WAS AROUND JUST AN AMAZING GUY HE GAVE ME ALOT OF ADVICE BACK IN THE RA'S AT CHURCH THE COMMUNITY WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER YOUR WHOLE FAMILY I LOVE AN WILL MISS YOU. CHUCK SAMPLES

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Chuck samples - January 05, 2025 at 05:24 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr David Dewayne Smith.



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January 04, 2025 at 08:11 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr David Dewayne Smith.



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January 04, 2025 at 07:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr David Dewayne Smith.

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January 04, 2025 at 07:42 PM