



## Mr. Ray Haden Smith

March 11, 1932 - October 4, 2021

Ray Haden Smith, 89, of the Rainbow Crossing community died on October 4th, 2021.

Mr. Smith was born March 11, 1932 to the late Garland David and Della Mae Smith.

Ray Haden was a man of many hats from cattle farmer to manager on Redstone Arsenal. He enjoyed drinking coffee with his friends while sharing mostly true, but always funny, stories. He was a mentor to many young farmers in the area. He was most proud of his role of “Pop” to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife Jean Smith, two daughters: Karen and Jeanean Smith, two granddaughters: Shea (Stephen) Beard and Holli Rae (Jesse) Shelton, and four great-grandchildren: James Haden and Della Mae Beard, Raelee Grace and Fisher Thomas Shelton.

He is preceded in death by his infant daughter, Mary, his parents, his brother Garland David, Jr. and sister, Wilma Miller Slaton.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Rock Springs United Methodist Church, 1904 County Hwy 6, Blountsville, AL, 35031. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, assisting the family.

# Tribute Wall

PJ

“ *Parrish Family And Jim lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ray Haden Smith*



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**Parrish Family and Jim** - October 06, 2021 at 05:19 PM

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“ *Lots of great memories with Uncle Ray. A few that stand out are playing basketball in the backyard, herding cows & climbing rocks on the back forty, and going to the cattle sales at the Arab Stockyard. Of of course, who can forget the time I was bush hogging for him in the valley and the tractor caught on fire. He will be missed. Continued prayers for Aunt Jean, Karen, Jeanean, and the entire family.*

*Patrick*

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**Patrick Smith** - October 06, 2021 at 11:07 AM

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*I loved uncle RAY I  
I wasn't told of his passing  
I wasn't invited  
Told when to come or none of that I would have definitely been there if I had known*

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**Robert Jarvis** - September 13, 2025 at 04:19 AM