



Jim P. Smyth Obituary

September 26, 1933 - May 12, 2010

Mr. James (Jim) P. Smyth. 76. of Albany died Wednesday May 12, 2010 at Palmyra Medical Centers. His memorial services will be at 11 AM, Saturday at Covenant Presbyterian Church with the family receiving friends at 10 AM until the hour of service. The Rev. Dr. Biff Coker will officiate. A private entombment will follow later at Park Hill Cemetery in Columbus, GA. A native of Dothan, he resided and graduated from Troy State University. He was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, serving his country in the Korean Conflict. Law Enforcement was his life. He was an AL State Trooper, ATF agent, Chief of Police in Plains and Leesburg GA He retired first from the ATF Agency and then as Chief of Police of Leesburg After retiring he followed his dream of owning and operating a deep sea fishing boat, the "Salt Shaker Charters" of Panama City, FL. He was preceded in death by a son Major Steven Smyth. Survivors include his wife Sharon Smyth of Albany; two sons James (Jimmy) Smyth of Stone Mountain, GA; Rodger Smyth of Stockbridge, GA; a stepdaughter Ashley Lemmons and her husband Sonny of Miami, FL; a sister June Griffith of Tallassee, AL; two grandchildren Steven Smyth Jr. of HI, and Laura Smyth of Atlanta, his nephew Eric Griffith of Athens and his loving and devoted Poodle Misty.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jim P. Smyth Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *I met Jim in 1982....I fell deeply in love with him and we dated then lived together briefly as he built the house in Phenix City. As he often said to me...I was like the wind blowing one way or the other and I left in 1984...we have seldom crossed paths since then but I think of him, the good times on the boat in PC and the last holidays we spent together often. I am sorry for your loss...I know he is pulling pranks and laughing somewhere. I will cherish his memory.*

Elizabeth Farrar - August 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sharon, I am so sorry to learn of Jim's passing. He was the epitomy of what a Southern Gentleman is all about. Bobby and I will keep you and your family in our prayers.*

Audrey Christmas Goodson - May 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sharon and Ashley sorry to hear about Jim he was a good man. My thoughts and prayers are with you both and the family the lord has received a good man.*

Jerry Gentry - May 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Sharon, "Chief", was the most knowledgeable and professional Police Chief I ever worked with, also I will never forget how kind you both were to Scott. I know you are sad, but remember the good times and not the bad they will help you through this.

catherine spillers - May 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ sharron, we were sorry to hear of jim's passing. just know that you are in our prayers.
linda, howard, krista, courtney and riley
may god bless

linda hindsman wilson - May 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ I knew Jim when we were both young ATF Special Agents in Georgia. Glad to hear he got to live his dream after a long, distinguished career in law enforcement. My profound sympathy and condolences to his family. They should all be very proud of his service to country and society as a whole. Jim was a fine person and a real credit to law enforcement. David Barrineau, ATF Special Agent, Retired, Dallas, Texas.

David Barrineau - May 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Sharon, I was saddened by the news of Jim's passing. I'm sure you remember the occasion I had to work with him. He was working a bootleg fireworks case and gathered some of us from around the country that had some experience in that area. I was very impressed with the southern hospitality that you and Jim extended to us. Beside the wonderful steak dinner that you served us, Jim gave us a tour of some of the Georgia landmarks, most notably Plains. Please be comforted with the fact that Jim is now in the arms of our Lord.

Bob Beattie - May 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ I served with Jim in ATF when I was the ASAC in Atlanta and Jim was the RAC of the Columbus, GA POD. Jim was a fine man and a great LE officer. I am saddened by his passing and my heartfelt condolences go out to his family and legions of friends.

Joey V. Thurman - May 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Sharon~Please know how sorry we are for your loss. If there is anything that we can do for you, we are here for you!

Love,

Patsy Lemmons and Lea Anne Lemmons

Lea Anne Lemmons - May 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Sharon, I served under Jim while he was the chief of police in Plains. He was a great leader and I enjoyed working under his command. I am very sorry for your loss.

Robert Summerall - May 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM