



## Jerry Franklin Smith

November 7, 1940 - April 4, 2026

Jerry Franklin Smith, 85, of McCalla, joined his Lord and Savior on April 4, 2026.

Jerry was born November 7, 1940, in Washer Camp, Moody, Alabama, to Lon Jay Smith and Vernie Magdalene (Davis) Smith. He attended Hueytown High School and later Southeastern Bible College. A proud veteran, he honorably served his country in the U.S. Army before continuing his life of service as a Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy. He was a faithful member of McCalla Bible Church and was loved by all his family and friends, especially his precious wife of 64 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Dawn Reneé Smith; his granddaughter, Caitlin Elizabeth Dorr; his siblings: Peggy; Pat; Donnie; and Ann. Now the family is comforted by the thought of Jerry in heaven with his Lord, his family, and his friends.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Frances (Austin) Smith, also known as Patsy; his children: Jerry Franklin Smith Jr. (DanaDee); William Jay Smith (Leigh); and Autumn Denise Dorr; his grandchildren: Jessica Suzanne Burnette; Jaqueline Roxanne Montgomery; William Jay Smith, Jr.; Jennifer Leigh Montgomery; Dawn Reneé Johnson; Rebecca Elise Martin; Wynter JoElle Dorr; and 13 great-grandchildren.

To those who knew him, please know that Jerry deeply valued your lifelong friendship and your participation in his life; you each held a special place in his heart.

A visitation will be held Friday, April 10, 2026, from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM at Bolton Funeral Home. A funeral service will follow at 2:00 PM with Reverend Jay Jackson and Reverend Jim Profetto presiding. He will be laid to rest at Old Chapel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to The Gideons International or a similar Christian ministry in Jerry's memory.

# Cemetery Details

## Old Chapel Cemetery

1912 County Road 9  
Wilsonville, AL 35186

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 10. 1:00 PM (CT)

Bolton Funeral Home  
207 Hwy 47 South  
PO Box 4  
Columbiana, AL 35051  
(205) 669-3179

## Funeral Service

APR 10. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

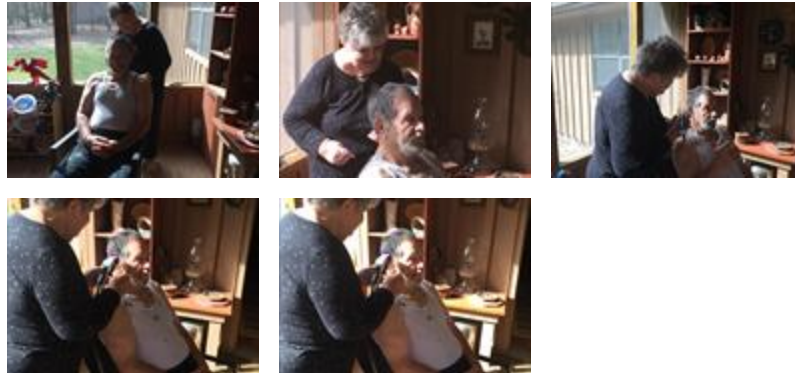
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“ I have fond memories of Jerry (Buddy) Smith and all his family. When Mamaw & Papaw were living, I was included in family dinners and outings. Buddy was the last of their five children. My sil, Peggy S Theim, was the oldest. Peggy always included me and my parents in her family.

Emily Fredrichsen Zimmerman - April 12 at 11:47 AM

JA

“ 17 files added to the album Memories of Uncle Buddy



Jean Asquith - April 09 at 04:20 PM

CA

“ CRC Accounting purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jerry Franklin Smith.



CRC Accounting - April 07 at 06:17 PM

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“ *Peggy's & Charles' girls & grandchildren purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Jerry Franklin Smith.*



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**Peggy's & Charles' girls & grandchildren** - April 07 at 01:49 PM