



# Early "Pig" "Smitty" Smith

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**D**ecatur- Retired SFC Early "Pig" "Smitty" Smith of Clarksville, TN (formerly of Decatur, IL) died peacefully at Vanderbilt University Medical Center on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 in Nashville, TN at the age of 63.

Early was born on May 6, 1954 in Gunnison, MS the son of Roy and Addie Mae (Miller) Smith.

Early is survived by his wife, Linda; his children Dominique (Joseph) Booker, Stashia Smith, Kayla Smith, Stephaney (Will) Marshall, Antawan (Natalia) Smith, and Dawntessa (Di'Angelo) Hills; brothers: Roy Smith Jr. and Wayne Smith; sisters; Linda (A.D. Sanders) Smith and Brenda Taylor; 14 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren a host of special cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and friends especially- James Collier and Ken McDaniels.

He retired with 22 years of service in the Army. He worked for many years at Climate Control and at the Decatur Park District. He loved to work out, sit in the sauna, listen to his music and watch the news to stay up on current events. He was very meticulous about his yard and landscaping. Anyone who knew him could say he had a witty and sarcastic personality and he was blunt, but that was just him.

The visitation will be in Moran & Goebel Funeral Home on Thursday July 20, 2017 from 9:30-11:30 with the funeral following at 11:30 am with burial at 2pm at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield, IL with military honors conducted by the Inter-Veteran's Burial Detail of Sangamon County. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Early's life. Flowers and condolences for the family may be sent to Moran & Goebel.

He is preceded in death by his parents, siblings Lottie Patoni, Dixie Smith and Jimmy Smith.

The family of Retired SFC Early "Pig" "Smitty" Smith has entrusted the care of their loved one to Moran & Goebel Funeral Home and Cremation services honored



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provider of Veteran's Funeral Care, 2801 N. Monroe Street, Decatur, IL 62526. Share memories and send condolences to the family at [www.moranandgoebel.com](http://www.moranandgoebel.com).



## Tribute Wall

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IF

**Israel And Jennifer Foster** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Linda and your entire family. We were saddened to hear of the passing of Early. We will certainly keep you and the family in our prayers. We will always cherish the memories. Israel and Jennifer Foster

July 19 at 4:38 AM

RP

**Ruth "Fifi" Prince** posted:

My thoughts and prayers go out to all of Pigsy Wigsy' s family members. Although, I had not seen or talked to him for many uears, he will always have a special place in my heart.

July 18 at 12:37 PM

CE

**Carol Estes** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Early "Pig" "Smitty" Smith

July 18 at 3:46 AM

CE

**Carol Young Estes** posted:

To the Smith Family, may God comfort you as you going through the lost of your love one. Early (Pig) was a fun person to be around , he was kind and always had something funny to say. I been knowing the Smith family most of my life . You have my condolence. Bless you. Carol Young Estes and family.

July 18 at 3:12 AM

DB

**Dominique Booker** posted:

To the best father a girl could have on earth. You were more than awesome. You were my daddy, my help with my history homework. My go to guy for information on so many things. You were my example for how a man should treat a woman. You set the bar so high and I am so proud of all the greatness you accomplished. I know you are proud of me and I promise to keep on the path so that I won't let you down. All the musicals, zebra cakes, pizzas, vacations, talks, jokes, and walking me down the aisle, I thank you! I pray that your soul will rest in peace and I will see you in Heaven one day Mister. I love you daddy so much and you will always be in my heart!!!!LoveDominique

July 16 at 6:16 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Early by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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