



Donald J. Smith

May 18, 1945 - October 24, 2017

Donald J. Smith, 72, of Fishers, IN, passed away October 24, 2017. He was born May 18, 1945 in Philadelphia, PA, to the late John J. and Gertrude C. (Herbert) Smith. Don proudly served his country in the United States Army and married Kathleen M. McShane in 1968. Don was more than a salesman. He was an innovator in the frozen food industry where he developed the potato skin for TGI Fridays and pioneered the frozen roasted potato. His wife Kathy assisted him in the business; he couldn't have done it without her. Don retired from the Oregon Potato Company on June 30, 2017.

Visitation will be Thursday, October 26, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Rd. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, October 27, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Spirit at Geist Catholic Church, 10350 Glaser Way, Fishers.

Don is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Kathleen M. Smith; children, Matthew J. (Mary Pat) Smith, Colleen C. (Todd) Root and Jennifer A. (M. Vito) Damiano; grandchildren, Meghan, Kathryn, Quinn, Francesca, Liam, Nora, Ryan and Chloe; siblings, Patricia Smith, Paul (Linda) Smith, Louis (Gerry) Smith, Dorothy (Don) Knowles, Regina (Mark) Vogler and Maryanne Smith; and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Autism Society of Indiana or St. Vincent Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **26**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel
9900 N. Allisonville Road
Fishers, IN 46038
(317) 841-7878
info@shirleybrothers.com
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Spirit at Geist Catholic Church
10350 Glaser Way
Fishers, IN 46037

Tribute Wall

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“ Love, Tom, Kathy Lily, Zach and Nathan Darling purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Donald J. Smith.



Love, Tom, Kathy Lily, Zach and Nathan Darling - October 26, 2017 at 03:21 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.



October 26, 2017 at 02:33 PM

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“ So sad to hear of Don's passing. He was a great business partner and friend.
Deepest condolences to Kathy and family. We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.
Pat Lovley

Pat Lovley - October 26, 2017 at 12:16 PM



“ Full Heart was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.



October 26, 2017 at 12:07 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.*



October 26, 2017 at 11:57 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.*



October 26, 2017 at 11:55 AM



“ *Dixie and Phil Coursen purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Donald J. Smith.*



Dixie and Phil Coursen - October 26, 2017 at 11:40 AM



“ *Len, Marcia, Mark, Kristen, Joe and Jenn Damiano purchased the Bountiful Rose Basket for the family of Donald J. Smith.*



Len, Marcia, Mark, Kristen, Joe and Jenn Damiano - October 26, 2017 at 11:12 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.*



October 26, 2017 at 09:10 AM



“ *I knew Don mostly in his role as Dad. He was the best! What a great family man. My love to Kathy & Colleen & Jennifer as well as Mat, whom I did not know as well. The heavens have gained a great man!*



Maureen Baldock - October 26, 2017 at 09:03 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.*



October 26, 2017 at 08:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.*



October 26, 2017 at 08:38 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.



October 26, 2017 at 08:29 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.



October 25, 2017 at 11:08 PM



“ *Mike And Monica lit a candle in memory of Donald J. Smith*



Mike and Monica - October 25, 2017 at 08:29 PM



“ *Basket of Memories* was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.



October 25, 2017 at 05:22 PM



“ *With Distinction* was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.



October 25, 2017 at 02:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.



October 25, 2017 at 11:33 AM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.



October 25, 2017 at 10:10 AM



“ *Love, Henry and Kay* purchased the *Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Donald J. Smith.



Love, Henry and Kay - October 24, 2017 at 09:16 PM

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“ *Colleen Root lit a candle in memory of Donald J. Smith*



Colleen Root - October 24, 2017 at 05:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald J. Smith.*



October 24, 2017 at 04:22 PM