

William James Smith, Sr

October 19, 1933 ~ September 5, 2024

William James Smith, Sr, our beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, passed away on September 5th, 2024, at the age of 90.

He was born October 19, 1933 to George E. Smith, and Jeanette L. Johnson. He married Donetta Rushton on June 3rd, 1954. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple. They were married for 70 years.

William served in the United States Army. He worked at the Union Pacific Railroad, and the Tooele Army Depot. He also drove a school bus for 17 years and loved it.

William enjoyed fishing and camping with family and friends. He and Donetta spent their winters in Yuma Arizona. They enjoyed their life together.

He will be truly missed.

He is survived by his wife Donetta, their three children; Jamie Smith, William J. Smith, Jr., (Leslie R. Smith) and Rodney Smith (Jared Benson), four grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

A viewing will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, September 13, 2024 at Larkin Mortuary, 260 E. South Temple, Salt Lake City. Graveside services will follow at 2:00 pm at the Salt Lake City Cemetery, 200 “N” Street, Salt Lake City. For those unable to attend, services will be streamed via Zoom. Please click on the "Watch Services" link above.