

Gerald Wayne Smith

February 16, 1943 (Rockford, IL) January 5, 2011 (Rockford, IL)

Gerald Wayne Smith was born February 16, 1943, to Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Smith of Rockford, IL.



He attended Church School, Roosevelt Jr. High School, and West Senior High School, graduating with the Class of 1961.

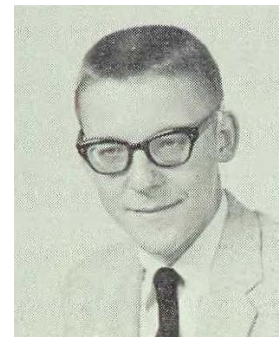
He married Donna Rexroat in Rockford on September 12, 1965.

He was employed by Globe Imperial from 1961 to 1963, by Beechnut Lifesaver Corporation from 1963 to 1965, by Willwood Burial Park from 1965 to 1976, by Highland Garden of Memories from 1976 to 1980, and by Sunset Memorial Gardens from 1980 until he retired in 2004. He held a Real Estate License and sold real estate part time.

Gerald also volunteered at the Winnebago Center for the Blind. He enjoyed boating, gardening, and had a passion for the LORD.

Gerald Wayne Smith, 67, passed Wednesday, January 5, 2011, after a short illness. Survivors include his Son, Gregory Smith; Daughter, Tonya (Bradford) Smith-Barker; two Grandchildren, Makenna and Matthew Barker; Sisters, Joyce Vincent and Cheryl Jessup, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of fresh flowers, the family is requesting perennial plants, seedlings, or donations to Kids Around the World or the Winnebago Center for the Blind. Funeral Services will be at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at Sunset Funeral Home, 8800 N. Alpine Road, Machesney Park, IL, 61115. Visitation will be one hour prior to services. Entombment will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens. Tributes to the family may be made at www.sunsetfhmemgardens.com.



Reference:

Gerald Smith Obituary - Machesney Park, IL (dignitymemorial.com)