



## Eugene Callaway Smith

September 21, 1948 - December 11, 2012

Mr. Eugene Callaway “Gene” Smith, age 64, of Newnan, GA, passed away Tuesday, December 11, 2012. He was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather.

He was born in Atlanta, Georgia on September 21, 1948 to Theresa Wylene South Smith and Eugene Amos Smith.

A graduate of Decatur’s Towers High School, he served honorably in the United States Navy on the USS Kitty Hawk during the Vietnam War. Upon his return to the states, he settled near his family in Newnan where he lived for the remainder of his life.

He worked as a civil engineer for the Peachtree City Development Corporation during the early stages of the Fayette County community. Yet it was his passion for cars and connecting with people that led him into a thirty year career in auto sales, the majority of this time employed by the Larry Rich Nissan dealerships.

Gene enjoyed fishing, golfing, and watching Georgia Bulldogs football. He also enjoyed sharing time with family and friends around the pool in the backyard of the Summergrove home he shared with his wife Kathy.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Kathy Ann Smith; sons David Jason Smith and Brian Lee Smith (Laura Brady Smith), both of Newnan, and Kevin King of Menter, Ohio; grandchildren Dominique King of Menter, Ohio and Benjamin Lee Smith of Newnan; father Eugene A. Smith of Newnan; brothers Mark C. Smith (Debra Stitcher Smith) of Newnan and D. Wayne Smith of

Decatur, Georgia.

A visitation will be held at McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson St., Newnan, GA on Thursday, December 13, 2012 from 5-8pm. A private family memorial service is planned. Rather than flowers, the family requests donations made in his memory to the American Heart Association, 1101 Northchase Parkway, Suite 1, Marietta, GA 30067 or [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org)

Condolences can be expressed online at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com)

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

# Cemetery Details

## McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263  
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care@mckoon.com  
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# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 13. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

DEC 13 (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JE

“ I am truly sorry for your loss I remember the many countless times my dad would take me to Larry rich Nissan I would always be excited to see mr gene. He was lways my favorite employee there and treated our family great. He was truly someone I would call a friend much love the Evans family

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**Jennifer Evans** - December 16, 2012 at 11:24 PM

JM

“ Our deepest condolences to the loving family and especially to the elder "Gene". We have lived happily in our home on Plantation Drive that he offered us almost two decades ago. Fondly, Elaine and Jaime Monroy

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**Jaime Monroy** - December 16, 2012 at 04:51 PM

MS

“ I met Gene many years ago when I worked with Wylene at Newnan Housing Authority. We continued to run into each other over the years. He always had a really good sense of humor and was fun to be around. I had not seen him in the last few years, but I am so very sorry to hear of his passing. I know he will be missed by many!!!! My condolences to the family.

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**Marcia Smith** - December 15, 2012 at 07:41 PM

MP

“ Kathy, I am so sorry to hear of Gene's passing. What a perfect fit you two were together. You will be in my prayers.

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**Maxine Simon Privett** - December 13, 2012 at 02:44 PM

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“ Miss Kathy Ann, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this very difficult time. Love Cathy mulligan from linens n things

Cathy Mulligan Moore (LNT) - December 13, 2012 at 01:41 PM

DF

“ Kathy, This is the Debbie that introduced you to Gene. From that night, so many years ago , you and Gene have been together and sharing your life. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. I am so sorry for your loss. Deb

Debbie (Koepke) Fernandes - December 13, 2012 at 12:49 PM

AP

“ Kathy, Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Through time, may your memories of Gene bring you comfort. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Anne and Chris Proudfit - December 13, 2012 at 11:50 AM

JK

“ My heart goes out to you and your family. Mr. Gene was a good man and always made me feel welcome and at home.

Jerrold Knapp - December 13, 2012 at 10:05 AM



George  
Williamson

Eight years late, however, your husband and father was a great man and a real American Patriot. We were friends when we were in the same squadron together (VF 213 where he did four combat cruises to Vietnam). Yes, EC and I were good friends and we had some good times together. Once (probably '77) I made a detour to Newnan and we had a good old time visit. I am very sorry for your loss. Tommy Williamson, LaGrange, Kentucky

George Williamson - July 13, 2020 at 03:26 PM