



William "Paul" Smith

September 5, 1971 - November 8, 2025

William Paul Smith, 54 of Whitesburg, GA passed away Saturday, November 8, 2025. He was born September 5, 1971 in Newnan, GA. He worked as a superintendent with Lichty Building Group. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Earnest & Lois Quick and William G. & Lucille Smith.

He is survived by his daughter, Piper Smith; parents, Tom & Carolyn Smith; brother, Corey Smith; sister, Lori Sandy; aunts & uncles, Mary & B.L. Binion, Sam & Faith Quick, Lamar & Judy Quick and Shirley Quick.

Condolences can be expressed online at www.mckoon.com

A celebration of life will be held on Friday, November 14, 2025, at 2:00 PM in the chapel of McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson St., Newnan, GA, with Minister Barry Binion officiating. The family will receive friends and family from 1:00 PM until service time.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
care@mckoon.com
<http://www.mckoon.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **14**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Funeral Service

NOV **14**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home Chapel
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of William "Paul" Smith*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - November 14, 2025 at 11:16 AM



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of William "Paul" Smith*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - November 13, 2025 at 09:48 AM



“ *We have such precious memories of Paul. He was a loving and giving young man, always willing to help at any time. Paul was a quiet leader among his peers. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.*
- The Holladay family

The Holladays - November 14, 2025 at 03:58 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of William "Paul" Smith.*



November 14, 2025 at 06:19 AM



“ *The McCuiston Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of William "Paul" Smith.*



The McCuiston Family - November 13, 2025 at 11:26 AM



“ *I was an inspector with the City of Newnan. He was on the job giving his best in the construction industry. It is so sad about his passing. Lance Duncan*

lance duncan - November 12, 2025 at 04:10 PM



“ *Dear Carolyn & Tom,
I want to extend my deepest sympathy to you at the passing of your Son. I can only imagine your heart ache. You and your family are in my prayers!*

Dale Vosbury - November 12, 2025 at 01:37 PM

TH

“ Dear Carolyn & Tom,
May God's peace and love surround you during this difficult time.
So very sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to you
Tracey Harris

Tracey Harris - November 12, 2025 at 12:29 PM

SF

“ Thinking of you with deepest sympathy and wishing you strength
and peace in the days ahead. My heart goes out to you and your
family in this unimaginable loss. Please know that you and your
family are in my thoughts & prayers during this incredibly difficult
time.

Steve Flanagan - November 12, 2025 at 10:30 AM

LM

“ To the family. I am so sorry for your loss. Sending hugs and prayers.
May God comfort you in your time of need.

LARISA MAHONEY - November 12, 2025 at 08:52 AM

“ Paul was a good friend to our family and to my dad, the kind of friend who slowly becomes family without anyone ever needing to say it. He was like an uncle to me growing up. I honestly cannot remember a single Thanksgiving at the cabin without his big laugh somewhere in the background. Him and Treena were at so many of our family get togethers, and us at theirs, that it just felt natural. They were part of us.

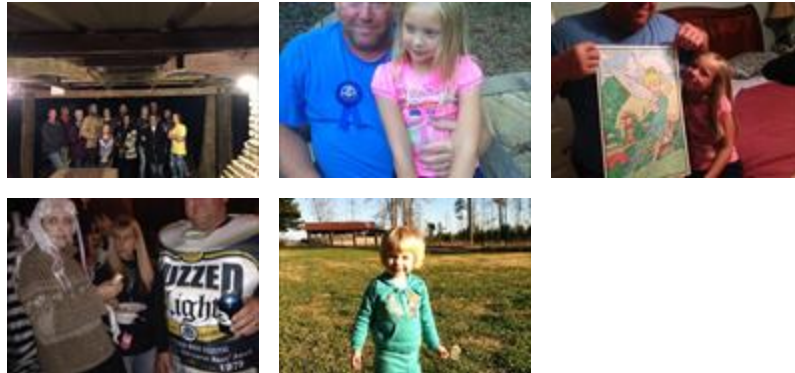
Whether they were cooking, BBQing, racing dirt track, or just hanging out by the fire, Slaw or Big Sexy as he loved to call himself always brought life with him. I still remember how excited I was to tell him I named my rifle after him in basic training. And pretty much every time I came home, he was one of the people I knew I would end up seeing. That was just who he was for us.

When Piper came along, he softened in the sweetest way. He was so proud to be her dad. He lit up every time he talked about her. My daughter is the same age, and every time we visited my parents, the girls would play together. For years my daughter honestly thought they were cousins.

With Thanksgiving coming up, this one hits different. I scrolled through old pictures, and there he was in almost every single one, standing by the smoker like it was his assigned spot. Thinking about that space being empty this year and every year after hurts in a way I was not prepared for. Even recently, in the tougher seasons of his life, he still showed up with a smile and that laugh that made everything feel lighter.

It's crazy how life works... you never really know that a normal day with someone might be the last time you see them. And you don't always realize the impact a person had on your life until you're sitting there in the quiet, trying to process the loss, wishing for one more story, one more joke, one more big, loud laugh. I am hoping and praying he knew how special he was to me and how much he shaped the memories I will carry forever.

Until we see you again in heaven Slaw, you will be missed more than words can say. You were one of the good ones.



Courtney Ramirez - November 10, 2025 at 11:17 PM

SB

“ *Shirley Borders lit a candle in memory of William "Paul" Smith*



Shirley Borders - November 10, 2025 at 09:28 PM

JM

“ *Piper and family. I am so sorry to learn of Paul's passing. We enjoyed hanging out with him. Godspeed!*

Julie Matthews - November 10, 2025 at 06:52 PM

JH

“ *Dear Carolyn and Tom
Sorry to hear of your loss. Both of you and family are in my prayers and thoughts. May you all find comfort in our Lord's arms.
Sincerely, Joan Smith Hanson*

Joan Smith Hanson - November 10, 2025 at 06:35 PM

MW

“ I have so many great memories of spending time with Paul during high school. I considered him a good friend and remember him with so many positive moments. I pray God will bless this family with His good comfort, His good grace, and His everlasting love. - Mike Wamble

Mike Wamble - November 10, 2025 at 06:12 PM

SH

“ Paul was the first neighbor I met when Cindy and I moved into our home on the dirt road in 2012. I sought his counsel on home improvements and we'd work together cutting up trees and building a burn pile that could be seen from space when we lit it up. Paul would always pull in when I had the cold beer flag out and we would talk about racing, football, and a number of other topics like good neighbors do. He was a great friend and neighbor whom has been taken from us far too young. Rest easy my friend - I hope there's a cold beer flag always flying for you.

Steve Hunnicutt - November 10, 2025 at 05:46 PM

JW

“ I was out of the country when I heard of Paul's death. I am so very sorry for the family, his parents, siblings and especially to his sweet daughter Piper. Prayers to all of you, Judi Worth



Judi Worth - November 10, 2025 at 04:05 PM

SC

“ Sarah Calhoun lit a candle in memory of William "Paul" Smith



Sarah Calhoun - November 10, 2025 at 02:39 PM

SC

I'm so Sorry for Your Loss. Losing a Child is so devastating. God Bless Carolyn and Tom and all of His Family. I love all of You.

Sarah Calhoun - November 10, 2025 at 02:43 PM

PB

We were able to spend a lot of time with Paul in our youth group at Newnan church of Christ when he was growing up. He was the sweetest most respectful teenager just like his siblings. We loved him, Cory and Lori. Tom and Carolyn raised a remarkable human being. He was a shining light in a tired world. We will miss him!

Patricia Bradberry - November 11, 2025 at 07:08 AM



“ Paul was so proud of Piper! He was always sharing her art work and telling us what a great artist she is! He had a big smile that I we will always remember. Prayers for the his parents and siblings. May he be smiling down at us all!

Lisa Jackson - November 10, 2025 at 02:33 PM

RB

“ Praying for your family.



Rev BettyJean Bowers - November 10, 2025 at 02:03 PM

TD

“ *Paul was a good guy with a good heart. I will keep his family in my prayers.*

Terry Durrrough - November 10, 2025 at 02:01 PM

RQ

“ *Our deepest sympathy goes out to both Tom and Carolyn, my aunt and uncle for loss of a child is unfathomable for parents to endure. Our prayers go up to heaven for you and the rest of the family. Remember the joy Paul brought in life as I do with my father Lewis Quick and our son Robbie jr.*

Robert Quick - November 10, 2025 at 01:40 PM

RQ

“ *Robin Ann Quick lit a candle in memory of William "Paul" Smith*



Robin Ann Quick - November 10, 2025 at 01:18 PM