



## Lamar Smith, Jr.

January 19, 1946 - September 1, 2017

Lamar Smith Jr., was born in Jackson, Mississippi on January 19, 1946 to Drusilla Thomas and Lamar Smith. He moved to Chicago as a young child. Lamar accepted Christ at an early age. He grew up on the Southside of Chicago and attended Wendell Phillips High School. After high school, Lamar attended Southeast-Olive-Harvey College and then served our country in the Army during the Vietnam War. Friendships were important to Lamar. He loved people and people loved him. He gathered friends wherever he went -- from his work days at Del Farms Foods, from the dance floor as a contest-winning Chicago stepper, from his friendship with fellow dog breeders across the world (yes, the world!), from his friends in the Michigan Amish community to his friends at the American Legion. Lamar had an entrepreneur spirit. Throughout his life he owned various businesses, with many of them focusing on his love for animals. For many years he was a dog breeder and dog trainer. However, he also owned, fish, cats, snakes, horses, goats and ostriches, to name a few. Lamar enjoyed life. He traveled aboard, enjoyed meeting new people, riding motorcycles (member of several motorcycle clubs), enjoyed family and was dedicated to supporting his fellow veterans as a member of the American Legion Post 233 in Loganville, Georgia. Lamar was a fighter to the end. His health challenges were no match for his spirit. Lamar never let illness stop him from living and loving life. Lamar was called home by our Lord on September 1, 2017 in Loganville, Georgia surrounded by his wife and children. He will be remembered for his sense of humor, charming nature, charismatic way, loving

spirit and the lasting impression he left with everyone. Lamar is preceded in death by his mother Drusilla Thomas (2014), his father Lamar Smith (1987), and his brother Sebastes Smith (2014). Lamar is survived by his beloved wife, Jacqueline Smith, his children, Jerrell (Bethany) Smith, Shevonn (Royce II) Willis, his step-children Christopher (Fern) Griffin, Erik Edwards, Lindsee Redmond, his sister Merdis (Aaron Sr.) Morgan, his brothers Charles (Marie) Thomas, Clifton (Linda) Porter, Leonard (Linda) Smith, Carl (Helen) Smith, Menard Smith and Frederick Smith, his brother-in-law William Cook, his grandchildren Kaylea, Iris, Kendall, Morgan, Adrien, Royce III, Noah, Destiney, Aniah, Erik II, Kiara, Olivia and Christopher Jr. as well as a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. The family of Lamar Smith Jr. wishes to express their sincere appreciation and deep gratitude for the many expressions of love and comfort shown to them at this time. Faith in God gives us strength, family and friends give us support, and our memories give us peace. A Funeral Service will be held at 11 AM on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 in the Loganville Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home. Rev. Aaron Morgan will officiate. Interment will follow at 2:30 PM at Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Milledgeville. The family will receive friends from 10 - 11 AM on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at the Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 670 Tom Brewer Road, Loganville, GA 30052. 770-466-1544. Please sign the online guest registry at [www.stewartfh.com](http://www.stewartfh.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home Loganville  
670 Tom Brewer Rd.  
Loganville, GA

## Funeral Service

SEP 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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670 Tom Brewer Rd.  
Loganville, GA

## Graveside

SEP 13. 2:30 PM (ET)

Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery  
Milledgeville, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Tim Stewart Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lamar Smith, Jr.*



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**Tim Stewart Funeral Home** - September 13, 2017 at 08:37 AM

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*I Thank God for your service to the United States of America; my dear brother. I miss you so much but I know I will see you on the other side and we will never have to say good-bye! Happy Veterans Day!*

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**Merdis Morgan, Lamar's Sister** - November 11, 2021 at 11:13 AM



“ *Lamar Smith, Jr.*

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October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ 36 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Tim Stewart Funeral Home** - September 12, 2017 at 10:26 AM



“ Pam lit a candle in memory of Lamar Smith, Jr.



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**pam** - September 06, 2017 at 03:42 PM