



John Francis Smith

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John Francis Smith was born December 11, 1965 in Portland, OR, and passed away in Tacoma, WA July 6, 2010. He had lived in Tacoma since 1973 and attended Seward Elementary, Stewart Junior High, and Lincoln High School, Class of 1984. John's biggest interest was live music. He enjoyed playing the guitar, harmonica, keyboards, and tin whistle, and sang and wrote numerous original songs. He was proud of his Irish heritage, and often shared this with the many people that he met. If John considered you a friend, he considered you a lifelong friend, and had a genuine concern to help friends and neighbors.

John was predeceased by his mother, Hannah "Joan" (Murphy) Smith. He is survived by his father, Roy E. Smith, siblings Sheila (Craig) McDaniel, Mary Smith, Roy "Tony" Smith, Kate (Matt) Dawley, Eileen (Tom) Suggs, Rita (Kirk) Hedrick, Michael (Maria) Smith, and James (Katie) Smith. Also, nieces and nephews Chris (Irene) Gravseth, Bridget Gravseth, Brian Gravseth, Kevin Gravseth, Theresa (Bob) Forster, Kaylin McDaniel, Annika Dawley, and Hannah Smith.

Funeral services will take place at Mountain View Funeral Home, 4100 Steilacoom Blvd. SW, at 1:00 PM on Monday, July 12, 2010. There will be a gathering for John at Bob's Java Jive, 2102 South Tacoma Way in Tacoma at 8:00 PM. For additional info, contact Mike at (253) 640-0337.



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Shannon King posted:

It's been so so long ago since I've seen your smiling face and how you chuckled.. Jr, high was so long ago, you were always smiling, always. You and I together in class was not good for any of the teachers for sure, we were the class clowns for sure. I'm so sorry your gone my friend, I was told today of your passing. Want you to know you are a fond memory of such innocent times. I hope your still smiling and laughing up there. Until we meet again John. Shannon King (Clark)

May 29 at 6:56 PM



Anonymous posted:

My dear boy John,I just read of your passing the day before yesterday and I was hurt beyond belief. I have so many good memories of you. I never heard you utter a curse word or a negative remark about anything in all of the years I knew you. You were one in a million, dear. Never have I met a more tender, loving innocent soul in my life such as you. You followed me around the yard with that dang guitar, singing "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" to me while I watered the flowers. You blessed me every time I saw you. You prayed with me and took some of the hurt away when I was feeling bad - you held my hands and told me that if you could take my pain from me and carry it yourself, you would. I shall miss seeing you flying down the street on your bike, asking me if you looked like a kid just after you shaved, and your famous line - "That's funny, huh?" I don't know what happened - how you passed - but I need to know that you did not suffer - you were such a gentle man. I will miss you - there is no other like you - our loss is Heaven's gain - you pleased the Lord in life and I know he is happy to have you amongst his "house guests". Rest well and know that I will always remember you and love you.##imported-begin##Kat Martin##imported-end##

August 9 at 12:56 PM



Anonymous posted:

Everyone will miss you and your friendship##imported-begin##Craig & Carol Smith##imported-end##

July 10 at 2:26 AM



Anonymous posted:

My condolences to John's family and friends I'm so sorry for your loss .John was like a brother to me,he was a hero in life and will never be forgotten,when you hear an oldie on the radio, sing along with John he'd like that, Chris##imported-begin##Chris Harper##imported-end##

July 8 at 10:22 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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