



## Mr Matthew "Smitty" Walter Smith

March 25, 1929 - August 13, 2014

Matthew Walter "Smitty" Smith, 85, of Salisbury, passed away Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at Liberty Lane Hospice at the W. G. Hefner VA Medical Center.

Born March 25, 1929 in Boston, MA, he was the son of the late Phillip James Smith and Katherine Agnes Dally Smith.

He was educated in the Milton Parochial School, Suffolk, MA and was a truck driver for Glosson Motor Lines and Ridenhour Supply Co. before retiring.

Mr. Smith was a veteran of the US Marine Corps for more than 13 years, serving as a Military Police and Drill Instructor at Camp Pendleton. He received the China Service Medal, WW II Victory Medal, Naval Occupation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, Korea Service Medal (3), two Purple Hearts and two Bronze Stars, PUC: Good Conduct Medal. He was a member of the Harold B. Jarrett American Legion and Spencer Moose Lodge.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joan Richards Smith on February 2, 2009 and grandchild, Mikey Anderson.

Those left to cherish his memory are his children, Karen Elizabeth Smith and

fiancé Fred Mowery of Salisbury, Yvonne Smith Brincefield and husband Joe of Salisbury, Mark Phillip Smith and wife Trudy of Charlotte, Matthew Smith and wife Lisa of Mocksville; grandchildren, Jennifer Brincefield, Kristina Renee Street and husband Perry, Heather Smith and fiancé Matt Allison, Jordan Brincefield, Adam Smith, Cody Smith, Kaitlyn Smith; great-grandchildren, Mason Street, Thomas Lowe, Brooklyn Allison, Kaden Rogers.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 PM Sunday at the Summersett Funeral Home and at other times the family will be at Mr. Smith's residence.

A graveside service will be conducted 1 PM Monday, August 18th at the VA National Cemetery with Military Graveside Rites conducted by the US Marine Corps.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Liberty Lane Hospice House, 1601 Brenner Ave, Building 43, Salisbury, NC 28144

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Smith family. Online condolences may be made to [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 633-2111  
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Cindy Compton lit a candle in memory of Mr Matthew "Smitty" Walter Smith*



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**cindy compton** - August 18, 2014 at 09:15 AM

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“ *To our dearest friend Smitty , you have touched our lives , and will remains in our hearts forever . Hugs to you all . Friends always , JP & Gisele*

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**Jean-Paul , Gisele Marquis** - August 16, 2014 at 01:27 PM

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“ *Yvonne, Matthew, Mark, Karen and family, I'm sending much love and many prayers your way for the loss of your father. Hugs to you all, Terry M. (Elie) Francis*

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**Terry Francis** - August 15, 2014 at 10:45 PM

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“ God Bless/RIP,to ALL who served in WWII. Thank YOU for your service in The United States Marine Corps. Also in Korea. "Ask me what I was.For I was,am and shall forever be a MARINE". Thank YOU for your service,Smitty..... And Semper Fi.



Herb Guyer-Sharfenaker USMC - August 15, 2014 at 08:38 PM

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“*Kristina and Family,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family now and  
days to come. I pray this poem will comfort each one of the hearts  
that your Grandfather has touched...*

*"We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name,  
In life we loved you dearly; in death we do the same.  
It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone.  
For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.*

*You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide,  
And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.  
Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same,  
But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again."*

*Love Always,  
"The Striggers"*

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**Crystal** - August 14, 2014 at 01:29 PM

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*My heart is very sad because I will miss my long time friend coming in  
the bank. We had many of good conversations as my dad was a  
marine as well. He loved his family very much! Know that I am thinking  
of you and that the warm winds of heaven are blowing softly on you all.  
Cindy Compton*

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**cindy compton** - August 18, 2014 at 09:17 AM