

## James R. Smith

November 21, 1935 - October 4, 2018

COLEBROOK, NH — James R. Smith, 82, of Colebrook, passed away peacefully at his home on Oct. 4, 2018, surrounded by his loving family. He had a long and courageous battle with cancer, showing just how tough a Marine he was.

Born in Boston on Nov. 21, 1935, James, locally known as Jim or Smitty, was raised on the north shore of Boston, where he developed an interest in boating and fishing. He was the son of Edward A. and Clare M. (Leblanc) Smith, and a graduate of Wakefield High School and Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts.

In 1953, while a senior in high school, he joined the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve. After serving in the Marine Corps, he went to work for Neil Tillotson at The Balsams in Dixville Notch, doing grounds maintenance. While there, he assisted in the design and construction of the Coashaukee nine-hole golf course near the hotel, and the construction and operation of the Wilderness Ski Area.

In 1960, Jim met and fell in love with Marie L. Caouette. They married in 1962, started a family, bought an old farm on Roaring Brook Road, and began rebuilding it. In 1971, Jim went to work on his own, doing carpentry and remodeling. In his spare time, he and Marie and his young family built a new

barn, filled it with cows and began shipping milk, continuing throughout the early 80s. Jim continued doing renovations and cabinet work and left his mark in many homes all over the north country.

Jim enjoyed fishing, boating, camping, gardening, and being outdoors. He was an active member of the Colebrook Kiwanis Club for 28 years, a life member of the Marine Corps Association, one of the first selectmen of Dixville, Deputy Fire Warden of Dixville and Colebrook since 1965, and a longtime member of the American Legion.

He leaves behind his loving wife, Marie, of 56 years; two sons, Daniel Smith and his wife Jodi of Colebrook, and Budd Smith of West Burke, Vt.; two daughters, Beverly White of Columbia and Donna Stone and husband Greg of Colebrook; as well as many grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and a wide circle of extended family members and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a brother, Arnold R. Smith of Missouri, and infant twin girls, Ann and Amy Smith.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Smith can be made to The Colebrook Kiwanis Foundation, P.O. Box 241, Colebrook, NH 03576.

Calling hours will be held on Oct. 11, 2018, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook. A funeral service, officiated by The Rev. Timothy Brooks, will take place at the Monadnock Congregational Church in Colebrook on Friday, Oct. 12 at 11 a.m. Burial, with military honors, will immediately follow at the Colebrook Village Cemetery on Rt. 3, and a Celebration of Life at Mohawk Falls will follow the interment.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to [www.jenkinsnewman.com](http://www.jenkinsnewman.com).

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, Colebrook, NH.

# Cemetery Details

## **Colebrook Village Cemetery**

North Main Street, U.S. Route 3  
Colebrook, NH

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Diana M. lit a candle in memory of James R. Smith*



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**Diana M.** - October 14, 2018 at 08:45 PM

RP

“ *Marie and family , I send my deepest condolences, to your loss, Richard Phillips.*

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**richard phillips** - October 14, 2018 at 08:12 AM

LB

“ *Donna and family, Our prayer and thoughts are with you and your family during these difficult times. Lisa, Mike, Katie & Nick Bouchard*

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**Lisa Bouchard** - October 12, 2018 at 07:24 PM

LO

“ *Marie & family, our thoughts and prayers are with all of you today. We have many memories of you guys over the years and that is what we will dwell on. Lee and Monique & and family*

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**Lee Owen** - October 12, 2018 at 08:42 AM

RB

“ *Sincere sympathies to Marie and her entire family. I have wonderful memories of Smitty and his fishing trips with Dad. Randy Brungot*

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**Randall Brungot** - October 12, 2018 at 08:13 AM

LK

“ We were sorry to hear about Jim's passing. He certainly had a positive impact on everyone who knew him and the area.

*Pat and Les Klinefelter*

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**Leslie Klinefelter** - October 12, 2018 at 07:42 AM

CR

“ There is never a good time to say good bye to a loved one. We send our sympathy to the whole Smith family.

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**Cindy Roy** - October 11, 2018 at 07:28 PM

 Pauline Inkell

“ Deepest sympathies to the Smith family.

*Denis and Pauline Inkell*

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**Pauline Inkell** - October 11, 2018 at 06:29 PM

DB

“ Jim and Marie have been our neighbors for years. raised four nice children. family is what gets us through times like this..and help us move on. best wishes to you all.....Dennis & Sue Bailey

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**Dennis bailey** - October 10, 2018 at 06:35 PM

SC

“ My deepest sympathies to the Smith family.

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**Sharon Cleveland** - October 10, 2018 at 04:35 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James R. Smith.*



October 10, 2018 at 03:09 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James R. Smith.*



October 10, 2018 at 08:17 AM



“ *Marie, Dan, Bud, Bev, and Donna our deepest condolences go out to you on your loss. It was pleasure these past few years of being able to work around Smitty through Kiwanis. It seemed whenever there was a problem with the food booth Smitty would always come up with the answer. He will be missed and he did leave his mark everywhere.*

**Haven & Peggy Haynes** - October 10, 2018 at 12:27 AM



“ *I was saddened to hear of Jim's passing. My condolences to you Marie and all your family. He will be missed and I will always remember "Mr. Smith". It was my fortune to have worked with such a great and talented man.*

**Bob Noyes** - October 09, 2018 at 07:31 AM

DS

*Thank you Bobby, he definitely will be missed.*

Donna Stone - October 09, 2018 at 09:27 AM

EC

“ *I'm sorry to hear about Jim, he was just a great guy, a great guy to work with through the years and a great guy for all he's done for the community and I'm sure for his family, he'll be missed. Ed Carrier*

edward carrier - October 09, 2018 at 02:12 AM

DS

*Thank you*

Donna Stone - October 09, 2018 at 09:28 AM

LD

“ *Love Gary and Dee Dee purchased the Serene R  
etreat for the family of James R. Smith.*



Love Gary and Dee Dee - October 08, 2018 at 11:22 PM

GD

“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Wall*



Gary and Dee Dee - October 08, 2018 at 10:49 PM

DS



Donna Stone - October 09, 2018 at 09:28 AM

GD

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Gary & Dee Dee** - October 08, 2018 at 10:41 PM

AM

“ *Ann McKinnon lit a candle in memory of James R. Smith*



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**Ann McKinnon** - October 08, 2018 at 10:12 PM

DS

*Thank you*

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**Donna Stone** - October 09, 2018 at 09:29 AM

SB

“ *Sharon Baum lit a candle in memory of James R. Smith*



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**Sharon Baum** - October 08, 2018 at 02:43 PM

DS

*Thank you*

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**Donna Stone** - October 09, 2018 at 09:29 AM

SC

“ *Stacey Campbell lit a candle in memory of James R. Smith*



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**Stacey Campbell** - October 08, 2018 at 08:00 AM

DS

*Thank you*

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**Donna Stone** - October 09, 2018 at 09:29 AM

MS

“ *Our deepest condolences to the entire family. He was a man I deeply respected. Our thoughts are with all of you.*  
*Mike and Rosalie*

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**Mike Smith** - October 07, 2018 at 04:52 PM

DS

*Thank you*

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**Donna Stone** - October 09, 2018 at 09:30 AM

CF

“ *My sincere condolences to Marie and family. Jim will be greatly missed. He was a wonderful person and Kiwanian.*

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**Carolyn Foss** - October 07, 2018 at 04:26 PM

DS

*Thank you*

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**Donna Stone** - October 09, 2018 at 09:30 AM

Valerie  
Mahnke

“ *Deepest condolences to Smitty's family.* ”



Valerie Mahnke - October 07, 2018 at 01:46 PM

DS

*Thank you*

Donna Stone - October 09, 2018 at 09:30 AM

JB

“ *My deepest condolences to the Smith family.* ”



Judy Hunt Budge - October 07, 2018 at 08:07 AM

DS

*Thank you*

Donna Stone - October 09, 2018 at 09:30 AM

MA

“ *Mike Andolina lit a candle in memory of James R. Smith* ”




Mike Andolina - October 07, 2018 at 07:09 AM

DS

*Thank you*

Donna Stone - October 09, 2018 at 09:31 AM

 Calvin  
Crawford

“ Calvin Crawford lit a candle in memory of  
James R. Smith



Calvin Crawford - October 07, 2018 at 07:07 AM

DS

*Thank you*

Donna Stone - October 09, 2018 at 09:31 AM

GJ

“ To Bev and all the Smith family, my thoughts and prayers at this sad  
time.

*Ginger Jannenga*

Ginger Jannenga - October 07, 2018 at 04:42 AM

DS

*Thank you*

Donna Stone - October 09, 2018 at 09:31 AM