



William H. Smith IV

September 3, 1931 - August 4, 2020

William Henry Smith IV, 88, of Ocean NJ, died Tuesday August 4th, 2020 at King Manor Rehab, Neptune. He worked as a carpenter before serving in the Navy during the Korean War. After his honorable discharge, he served as a NYC firefighter for 22 years, retiring in 1987. Born in Orangeburg NY, he lived in Staten Island NY and Oakhurst NJ before moving to Silver Ridge Park West in 1997.

William is predeceased by his wife of 45 years Joan in 2003; and his son William in 2013. Surviving are his daughter Kathleen Sorensen and her husband Michael of Ocean Township; his two grandsons Nikolas Smith, and Douglas Sorensen and his wife Juliana; and his great-grandson Patrick.

William's visitation will be held 6-8 PM on Tuesday August 11th, 2020 at Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls, NJ 07712. Interment and Military Honors will be held at 11:30 AM on Wednesday August 12th, 2020 at BG William C. Doyle Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, Wrightstown. (The cemetery's main gate is closed due to construction on Provinceline Road. If driving west on 537, take the first right after Provinceline Road, continue following detour signs to the back gate.)

Memorial donations may be made to The New York Firefighters Burn Center Foundation, c/o Engine 66 / Ladder 61, 12 Asch Loop, Bronx, NY 10475.

Due to the continued public health concerns of Covid-19, please know that there is an occupancy limitation which may cause a wait time, please be respectful of your time visiting. Masks must be worn in the funeral home at all times.

For online condolences, please visit William's memorial page at www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home
2400 Shafto Road
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712
(732) 918-6200

Burial Service

AUG 12. 11:30 AM (ET)

Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery
Provinceline Road
Wrightstown, NJ

Tribute Wall

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“ *Bill was a brother Fireman, talented carpenter, and he and his lovely wife Joan were very dear friends.*

It was the best of times, especially the outrageous shenanigans we so enjoyed. Some of the most hilarious: Christmas caroling, our "Smitty" was the designated driver of Santa's truck as we spread and drank our cheer through the streets of Tottenville. Then there was the sleigh riding down Mt. Loretta hill, always followed by an impromptu buffet at the Di Clemente's (gracious hosts and dear friends)). We have to admit that the mock surgical procedures in our back yard were the most outrageously side-splitting...always safe and in good taste! There were 18 good friends in what we lovingly referred to as "Our Gang"!

Rest in peace, dear friend and thanks for the Memories!

Love,

Bill and Dolores Suky

William & Dolores Suky - August 11, 2020 at 06:13 PM

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“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of William H. Smith IV*



Bongarzone Funeral Home - August 06, 2020 at 03:17 PM