



Paul Lee Smith

October 29, 1969 - March 15, 2025

Paul Lee Smith, age 55, passed away surrounded by family on Saturday, March 15, 2025, in his hometown of Huntsville, Texas.

Paul was a proud veteran who served as a Corporal in the United States Army from 1989-1992. His military service shaped much of who he was, and he took great pride in being a Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Life Member. After his time in the Army, Paul discovered his love for "Bearkat Orange" as he earned a degree in Business from Sam Houston State University. His bond with his school was strong and it was evident that he cherished his time as a Bearkat. He was also a member of the Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church of Huntsville.

Paul was one-of-a-kind and lived a life full of character, authenticity, and unique experiences. A man of many stories, Paul had a wit and sense of humor that left a lasting impression on those who knew him. He stood firm in his beliefs and values and always made room in his heart for those he cared about.

Paul is survived by his daughters, Isabel and Julia Smith; his parents, June and Joe Smith; his brother and sister-in-law, John and Sunshine Smith; nieces Ashley and Emma Smith; and his nephew, Ryan Smith.

He is preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Jean Lee Wilkinson and James Earl Wilkinson; and his paternal grandparents, Ollie Faye Smith and John Ramsey Smith.

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, TX from 5:00-8:00 PM. Services will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2025 at Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Huntsville, TX at 10:30 AM, followed by a reception. After the reception, Paul will be laid to rest at the Houston National Cemetery in Houston, TX at 1:45 PM.

Paul will be deeply missed but his memory will live on in the stories he shared, the laughter he brought, and the impact he had on those around him.

Memorial condolences may be made to the family at www.shmfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Houston National Cemetery

10410 Veterans Memorial Dr
Houston, TX 77038

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 26. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340

Funeral

MAR 27. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Thomas the Apostle
1323 16th St
Huntsville, TX 77340

Graveside Service

MAR 27. 1:45 PM (CT)

Houston National Cemetery
10410 Veterans Memorial Dr
Houston, TX 77038

Tribute Wall

JS

“ Prayers for comfort for the whole family.



Jennifer Skains - March 25, 2025 at 04:03 PM

NC

“ Prayers for the family



Nancy Collum - March 25, 2025 at 02:48 AM

JA

“ Jim Adams purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Paul Lee Smith.



Jim Adams - March 24, 2025 at 06:45 PM



“ I met Paul back when I moved to Huntsville with my Grandparents in the 80's at Mance Park Middle School. He was funny, sweet and to be honest quite a goof ball too at times, but; most importantly he was a good hearted person and friend.



To his daughter's and his parents, I am so sorry for your loss! Cherish your memories and remember the fun times you had as a family together.

Taken to soon, I'm sorry we lost touch as he truly was a great guy!

*Risa (O'Donnell) Benedict
Class of '88*

Risa Benedict - March 24, 2025 at 04:46 PM

KD

“ He was such a fun, kind person. He will be missed. Karen Carlile Denman

KAREN M DENMAN - March 24, 2025 at 02:58 PM

CC

“ June, Joe and family I'm so sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of Paul during his childhood as he and Rusty were growing up. God bless and comfort you all. Sending prayers, Carol Carroll

Carol Carroll - March 24, 2025 at 02:13 PM

MF

“ *Marvin Hyvl & Family lit a candle in memory of Paul Lee Smith*



Marvin Hyvl & Family - March 23, 2025 at 11:11 AM

GK

“ *Gayle Kelly lit a candle in memory of Paul Lee Smith*



Gayle Kelly - March 21, 2025 at 03:40 PM