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**G**id Hardin Smith, of Memphis TN, was born December 23, 1941 passed away on October 22, 2017. Gid's deep care and commitment for people was fulfilled in a career of service, first in ordained ministry and later through social services and outreach, notably Metropolitan Interfaith Organization and Community Foundation of Greater Memphis. Gid is survived by his wife, Carmen; children, Jonathan Smith and wife Rogean Cadieux-Smith, Hadley Hamilton and wife Kari Lajoie Hamilton; his siblings, Gail, David and Larry and his grandchildren, René and Lowell Smith and Carter and Madison Hamilton; his first wife Julie Brown and many other family and friends. Gid is preceded in death by his brother, Harvey and parents, Hardin and Hazel. The family will receive friends Saturday, October 28 from 5-7PM. Memorial service will be held Sunday, October 29 at 1:00PM (Memorial Park Funeral Home). In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to MIFA and the Community Foundation of Greater Memphis.



## Tribute Wall

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JW

**John Wiese** posted:

I grew up across the street from Gid and Carmen. As friend to both Jon and Hadley, I spent many happy days in Gid's home. He was like a second father to me. Gid possessed uncommon wisdom, compassion, and generosity. He also possessed a gentleness and sincerity that I have since rarely encountered. I am grown up now with two children of my own. As I embarked on the responsibility of being a father, I asked myself, "What sort of father would I like to be? Who exemplifies the traits of a loving father?" Gid was the father I chose. He was firm but fair. He was loving and forgiving. He was a teacher but also a listener. I know I will never be as good a father as Gid. I lack so many of his essential traits. I lack his patience and humility; try as I might, I am too easily distracted by selfish interests. Nevertheless, I have Gid's standard to strive for. In moments of frustration, I can call upon his example and ask, "What would Gid have done here?" In attempting to answer that question, I am both grounded and inspired. I love you, Gid. God Bless You. And from the bottom of my heart, thank you for all that you did for me and so many others.

October 27 at 9:24 AM

MS

**Marler Stone** posted:

Gid Smith was a fine man. He made great contributions to Memphis and the surrounding area and will be forever known as a kind, generous, loving person. He was also accomplished, leading MIFA and The Community Foundation of Greater Memphis! He will be sorely missed. Marler Stone

October 25 at 4:59 AM



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