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Kent Allen Smith, 56, passed away July 19, 2014 at Regional One Medical Center. Kent was a 1975 graduate of Hillcrest High School and owner of Beverage Center and Midway Liquor. He is survived by his wife, Joy Wells Smith; children, Ashley Bishop (Jacob), Todd Smith and Drew Smith (Kristen); parents, Audrey and LaJuan Smith; grandchildren, Wyatt and Whitt Bishop and Ashby Smith; brother, Gary Smith (Becky); sister, Shannon Phillips (Rodney) and best friend, Brian Stevens. The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, July 22 and the funeral service 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 23 all at Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5668 Poplar Ave. Memphis TN, 38119. (901) 767-8930.



Tribute Wall

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SH

Shanon posted:

I miss you so much! I pray that God will help me be what I need to be for our family and friends! I love you!

November 26 at 10:59 AM

JA

Joyce Amann posted:

I realize that your loss was several weeks ago, but I wanted to send my sincere prayers to Shannon and to her entire family for the devastating loss of Kent. There are no words that can ease the pain that this tragic event has caused, I pray that your memories and every lasting love for Kent will carry you all through to a better time.

August 21 at 6:45 PM

AB

Aretha Byers posted:

To the Smith family you are in my heart & thoughts @ this time my prayers go out to all of you. I was a loyal customer @ the beverage center. May God strengthen you all. Sincerely Aretha Byers!

July 24 at 12:10 PM

AB

Aretha Byers posted:

To the Smith family my heart & prayers go out to you all during this difficult time. I was a loyal customer @ the beverage center. May God strengthen all of you sincerely Aretha!!

July 24 at 11:59 AM

SB

Sheryl Burnett posted:

To family I send my heartfelt condolences I met Ken once and he was a nice, caring, sweet man my prayers are with his family at this time.

July 23 at 8:13 AM



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SC

Scooter posted:

MR. KEN WAS A GOOD PERSON I KNEW HIM FOR 13 YEARS IN EAST MEMPHIS HIS STORE IS AROUND THE CORNER FROM WERE I STAY MR.KEN NEVER HARMED NOBODY I HAD JUST SAW HIM THURSDAY EVENING WHEN I WENT AND CASHED MY CHECK AT HIS STORE HE WAS ASKIN ME ABOUT MY MOM AND HOW WAS DOIN MY HEART IS SO HEAVY RIGHT NOW BUT IM PRAYIN FOR HIS AT A TIME LIKE THIS MY HEART AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOUR FAMILY AND MR.KEN YOU WILL BE TRULY MISSED A GOOD PERSON WITH A GOOD HEART GONE

July 23 at 7:18 AM

LH

Linda Harper posted:

Kent will truly be missed, he was such a warm, caring, kindhearted man. I have known Kent for 30 years and he has been the same since the first day I met him. To the family I say hold on to each and more importantly hold on to God for he will see you through this trying time. Kent was like a ray of sunshine and God took him home to help light of the Heavens. I will continue to keep you all in my prayers and want to thank you all for sharing Kent with us. It is so rare that you find a soul as genuine as Kent and when you have the opportunity to be in the presence of that soul you have been Blessed. Kent thanks for your support during the illness and loss of my daughter. May you truly rest in peace and one day we shall all see each other again on the other side.Linda Savage-Harper and Family

July 23 at 6:38 AM

JT

Janice Riley Taff posted:

The Gibson Companies are so saddened by the loss of such a kind & amazing friend. He was such a treasure in this community. His kindness to this part of the forgotten area was appreciated & he was beloved by all. My employees were in such silence & sadness over the tragic loss of such a respected man. He touched so many lives. May God's Grace surround his beloved family & friends.

July 22 at 2:40 PM

JB

Juliann And Beckett posted:

Juliann and Beckett purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 2:10 PM



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BA

Beth Renick Avanzi posted:

I grew up in Whitehaven with Kent. Seems like we were always in the same room. He was always a very nice young man and I remember him fondly. Joy I am so sorry for your loss. I know we haven't seen much if each other since high school, but please know you are in my prayers!

July 22 at 12:27 PM

TT

The Active Knee Team posted:

The Active Knee Team purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 9:49 AM

BD

Brent & Chris, Frank & Jan, David & Pam posted:

Brent & Chris, Frank & Jan, David & Pam purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 7:23 AM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 6:08 AM

CM

Cindy Smith McGhee posted:

Dear Joy, I went to grade school and high school with Kent. The last time I saw him was at a HHS reunion a few years ago at Corky's. He and Brian were together and it was the highlight of my night spending time with them. I am so very sorry for your loss. Kent was a great guy. I'm still speechless and will be thinking of you and your family and Brian as you journey through your grief.
Cindy Smith McGhee

July 22 at 4:30 AM

LM

Larry M. posted:

Larry M. purchased the Tropical Tribute Spray for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 4:13 AM



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EJ

Earnest Wells Sr, Earnest Wells, Jr, And posted:

Earnest Wells Sr, Earnest Wells, Jr, and Chandra Wells purchased the Bountiful Rose Basket for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 4:11 AM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 4:08 AM

MW

Mike Wight posted:

What a blessing to have known Kent – it is a sorrowful time for his family and friends – we will miss him a lot. Knowing he will be looking down and watching over his family and God bless them in their time of need. and sorrow. We are so sorry for this huge loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with Joy and the rest of the family. Mike and Debbie Wight

July 22 at 3:48 AM

RD

Reid, Joan, Garon And Tyke Durst posted:

Reid, Joan, Garon and Tyke Durst purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 3:19 AM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 22 at 3:10 AM



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DN

Diane Noel posted:

My heart just breaks for all of you, his family .As a person that has experienced all you are feeling, the grief, the anger, the questions, I know there is nothing anyone can say or do to ease all the pain. But take solace in knowing how very much everyone thought of him. He was a most special man adored by everyone. I lost my brother to someone who had no regard for human life so he chose to take him from us. And I know as all of you try and deal with all of your feelings that this will be the most difficult time of your life. There just are no words to express how very sorry I am.Diane & Jim Noel

July 21 at 3:34 PM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 21 at 3:02 PM

DJ

Dalton Jones posted:

TO THE SMITH FAMILY OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU KEN WILL BE MISSED IN OUR HEARTS TOO BUT HIS MEMORY WILL LAST FOREVER. MRS MATTIE AND MR DALTON MAY GOD BLESS YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY

July 21 at 2:24 PM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 21 at 12:25 PM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Gift of Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 21 at 11:30 AM

OD

Operations Department posted:

Operations department purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 21 at 10:59 AM



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CA

Chris And Dixie Ashby posted:

Chris and Dixie Ashby purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 21 at 10:00 AM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Celestial Love was purchased for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 21 at 9:08 AM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kent Allen Smith.

July 21 at 9:03 AM

CI

Cindy posted:

I am so sorry to hear this sad story. I lived in Parkway Village as a child in the 60's and just passed through there this weekend to show my children where I grew up. I cried when I read this awful story. He sounds like he was a wonderful man who still believed in this community. My prayers are with the family and friends. Cindy Craddock

July 21 at 8:50 AM

LH

Linda Savage-Harper posted:

To the Smith Family my and my family's prayers go out to you. Kent was a warm, kindhearted, giving person truly a wonderful man and I fell blessed to have known him for the last 30 years. I say to you to hold on to each other, cherish all of the memories for they shall sustain you until you see each other again in Heaven. Kent will be truly missed, he always had an encouraging me through my daughter's illness and her passing always something uplifting. Death is not something we ever get over but we do get through it, I pray that you find peace and solace. Linda Savage-Harper and Family

July 21 at 5:47 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Kent by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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