



# Randolph Eugene Smith

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**R**andolph E. Smith, 81, passed away on Sunday, March 26, 2023 in Memphis, TN. Many people knew Randolph as Randy and The BikeMan.

Randy grew up in Memphis, TN, he graduated from Treadwell High School, and worked in the salvage business growing up with his father. Randy then went on to open The Bike Man at his home and many other locations in the Memphis area for 28 years, closing in 1998. He had a profound impact on the lives of many kids in the area, as well as adults. Randy had a BMX, skateboard, and freestyle team. Mr. Smith also worked with his brother at their business, Right Click USA in the Memphis area.

Mr. Smith is preceded in death by his parents and brother, Cecil and Frances Smith, and Cecil D. Smith. He is survived by his daughters, April Icenberger (Tim), and Starr Smith (Katherine), as well as three grandchildren, Randi Kersey (Sebastian), Christopher Kersey, and Jordan Johnson, Mr. Smith has two great grandchildren, Riley and Leo. Randy also leaves behind a brother, Gary Smith, Memphis, TN.

Randy will be remembered for his kindness and generosity, as well as being a wonderful father, granddaddy, brother, and friend. He will be greatly missed.

Flowers or a donation to Shelby Farms BMX are requested.

Family will receive family and friends Thursday, March 30, 2023 from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm at Memorial Park Funeral Home, 5668 Poplar Ave, Memphis, Tennessee 38119. Funeral service will be held Friday, March 31, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at Memorial Park Funeral Home, 5668 Poplar Ave, Memphis, Tennessee 38119. Burial to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery.



# Events


**Randolph Eugene Smith**

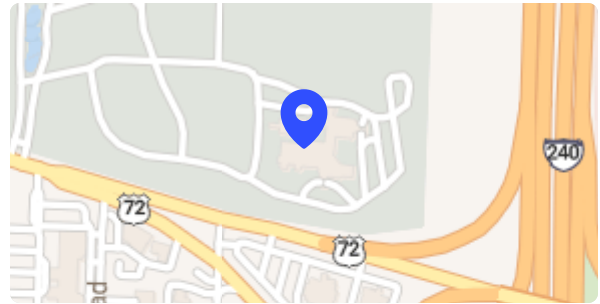
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## Visitation

 **Thursday**, March 30, 2023

 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT


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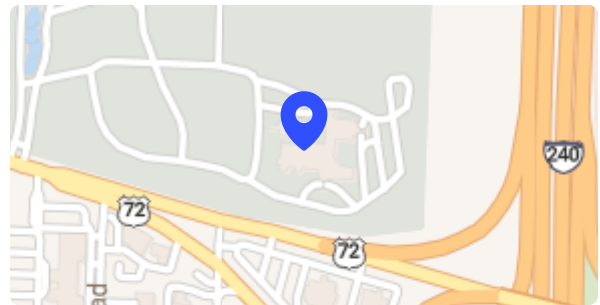


## Funeral

 **Friday**, March 31, 2023

 2:00 PM CT

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## Tribute Wall

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CH

**Chris Hinkle** posted:

I first met Randy when his shop was in cloverleaf center and I was just immediately hooked on the shop with all the coolest latest raddest BMX stuff I had only seen in magazines etc, he helped me get started in racing and would always give good advice to anyone, he was kind, friendly, funny and accommodating to everyone, I still have parts on two bikes I raced that came from either Randy or wheeler dealer. In the mid 80s Randy sponsored our trick team and we had two quarter pipes and a kick ramp or two that stayed in his parking lot on stage and we would load them up on a trailer and he would take us and the ramps all over the place doing shows at fairs or festivals, parking lots, races just anywhere, still remember him chewing me out one time testing the ramps before a show without a helmet on, he pulled me over to the side behind the ramps and told me there are 200 kids here that didn't come to see you crush your skull in today etc, he made his point, I think about him a lot and always memories I think my fondest ones was just hanging out in the back of the shop just taking it all in - yep the good ole days - Thank you for the ride Randy ! Peace my friend see you on the other side

March 31 at 4:52 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Smith family.



March 30 at 12:45 PM

JH

**John Hemphill** posted:

My family met Randy through BMX and thanks to this we met and fell in love with one of the finest men ever. Randy was kind, funny and you could count on him no matter what. Over the years we worked together and laughed a lot. Our prayers go out to the family and many friends. The world has lost a great man. John, Donna & Phillip Hemphill

March 30 at 10:03 AM

BM

**Bobby Mccullough** posted:

Randy was a fine man. We bought many bikes from him over the years, and he was a pleasure to do business with. Prayers to his family.

March 29 at 1:08 PM



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**Anonymous** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Smith family.



March 29 at 9:06 AM



**Mike Cooley** posted:

I know Randy had been fighting this fight for a while, may God rest his soul and give April and the family strength. I remember his small shop near Putt-Putt before the one on Stage. Many riders and racers frequently went there and he was so kind to all of us, stopping what he was doing to help us or sometimes just talk.

March 29 at 7:04 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Smith family.



March 29 at 5:06 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Smith family.



March 29 at 5:02 AM



**Kenny Thornton** posted:

Randy influenced countless lives. Many youths, but adults too. I'm sure that many others will relate when I say that hanging out with the Bike Man were the best days and memories of my life. He loved us ALL like we were his own kids and we loved him like a father. RIP Randy and thank you for being so awesome.

March 29 at 4:15 AM



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MR

**Marty Rice** posted:

My son Tiger is 50 years old in April but when he was 11 he wanted his BMX spider style bike repaired and it was literally just a box of parts. So off we went on a restoration that required painting the frame, replacing the rims and rebuilding or replacing every single component. Randy had his shop on East Summer, which I remember as being a really small building. But Randy was our salvation, all smiles and enthusiasm and boy did he connect with kids! He suggested a larger crank sprocket and made sure the bike was really good for a growing boy. His kindness and participation in that father/son project will never be forgotten. He was and is a shining presence in the lives of his Memphis neighbors.

March 29 at 3:24 AM

PS

**Patricia Sutherlen** posted:

I remember him when I lived in duplexes on National Ave, then we bought a house on Macon near Maria that was across the street from him. May he rest in peace. I remember him having a daughter.

March 28 at 7:00 PM

MC

**Mike Cooley** March 29 at 6:59 AM

So sorry for the loss April, tried to find you on social media but I don't see your account anymore.

AI

**April Icenberger** March 29 at 6:06 AM

I remember the duplex. I'm his daughter April. This is so nice of you. Thank you for sharing.



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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