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Jerry Smith

Feb. 25, 1949 - Nov. 22, 2025

Jerry Smith, 76, of Morganton, NC passed away on Saturday, November 22, 2025. He was born on February 25, 1949 in McDowell County, NC to the late Rans Smith and Louise Benge Ward. He enjoyed working outside in his yard. He also enjoyed playing golf and grilling. Jerry was a big Carolina Panther and Duke fan.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, James Smith.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Cathy Ross Smith; daughter, Angela Smith (Willie Bell, Jr.); son, Chris Smith (Sharon); grandchildren, Christopher Smith, Aysia Bell and Aniya Bell; sister, Dianne Patrick; nephew, John Patrick; and extended family.

There will be a gathering of family and friends from 2pm-3pm on Saturday, November 29, 2025 at Sossoman Funeral Home.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

I grew up with Jerry. I'm sorry to hear that he passed. Didn't know he's an old friend. He'll be missed. I'm sure sorry for his family and friends. They miss him as well. May God rest his soul.

–Steve Rumfelt



So sorry to hear about Uncle Jerry! Thinking of you all today. Love you!

–Megan Rich

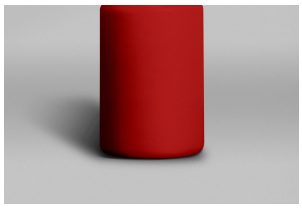
My Dear Sister and family I will be praying for you all today. I love you all. May our sweet Jesus hold each one of you in the palms of his hands and give you comfort and peace. Hugs and love always.

–Ginger Whisnant

My sincerest condolences to Cathy and family. I pray that God will comfort each of you during this difficult time and fill you with his love and grace.

–Steve Franklin





—Doris Smith Pritchard



Cathy and family, I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of Jerry. You all will be in my prayers.

—CHARLIE HODGES



So sorry to hear about Jerry’s passing. He was a large part of my life growing up. He treated me like one of his own. My daddy and him were the best of friends for many years. He was the only person to reach out to me when my father fell ill. I will always love him for that. I am praying for the entire family. It’s so hard to lose the ones we love

—Amanda Surratt