



Andrew James Smith

April 27, 2019

Incredible father, loving husband, caring brother and an affectionate son, Andrew James Smith, 33, of Pilesgrove passed away suddenly in Lantana, Florida on Saturday, April 27, 2019. Born in Lexington, KY, Andrew was a “Valentine’s Day baby.” He attended Sharptown Church where he met his wife Jenna in the youth group, graduated in the Woodstown High School class of 2004, and attended Liberty University. Andrew was the father of Harper Anne, husband of Jenna Smith, the son of Rev. Doug and Julie Smith, and brother of Thomas Smith.

From the moment Andrew heard Harper’s heartbeat, he became captivated with fatherhood. She was the center of his attention and Harper was “Daddy’s Little Girl.” Andrew will be remembered for his infectious laugh and his ability to walk into a room and make friends with anyone. He was passionate about everything he did and his enthusiasm for life was contagious. In addition, Andrew loved music and was known for his eclectic taste in bands. Andrew enjoyed the company of his friends and was always ready for the next adventure.

Andrew is survived by his wife Jenna and daughter Harper, his parents, Doug and Julie, brother Thomas, and grandparents Eugene and Barbara Smith as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins who dearly loved him. Andrew is predeceased by his brother David and grandparents James and Linda Gipson.

Services of remembrance for Andrew will be hosted by the Sharptown United Methodist Church, 24 Church Street in Pilesgrove, NJ 08098. A visitation will be held on Friday, May 3, 2019 from 5 PM until 9 PM. On Saturday morning, May 4, 2019 there will be a viewing from 10 AM until 11AM with the service following at 11AM. Burial will follow in the Sharptown UMC Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the Smith family has partnered with the Sharptown United Methodist Church to create a fund for Andrew’s daughter, Harper. Contributions may be sent to

Sharptown United Methodist Church at 24 Church Street, Pilesgrove, NJ 08098 with a notation for Harper Anne Smith. www.adamsfuneralhome.org

Cemetery

Sharptown UMC Cemetery

Sharptown, NJ, 08098

Events

MAY 3 **Visitation** 05:00PM - 09:00PM
Sharptown UMC
24 Church St., Pilesgrove, NJ, US, 08098

MAY 4 **Viewing** 10:00AM - 11:00AM
Sharptown UMC
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MAY 4 **Service** 11:00AM
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Comments



“ I was blessed to have met Andrew down in South Florida where he was taking care of truly hard character defects that many in this world have but choose not to overcome. Andrew was not one of those weak individuals, he was a determined man fighting for his life for the sake of his unbreakable vow he had made to being the best father to his beautiful little girl! His daughter was all he would talk about sharing monumental moments he had with her and was so excited to create new ones once he was back home. He overcame many hardships he had struggled with and persevered in his fight for the freedom of the deadly bondage with addiction. He lite up the entire room every time he walked in and was loved by many for his unconditional love for others and his amazing ability he had of helping others through anything they had been enduring. I share the same beautiful characteristics as he did which made our friendship immediately bond together and I will always have that moment with me in my heart. He was one of my heroes in this battle that we fought through side by side and never let me fall into darkness nor ever made me feel like I was alone. I love him with all my heart and always will never leaving my memories I will pass the love that he graciously bestowed upon me. In his honor I will never give up on myself or others and I will keep his memory alive through our sober community by continuously growing and learning new things every day as he would do if he was here. I wish his time of passing would've been different for he didn't deserve that outcome. He was and always will be my best friend who I love like family. I pray for his family and know that God is so lucky to have one of his best creations back home being at peace and happily back together with his brother he unfortunately lost a year or so before he came to South Florida. I LOVE YOU ANDREW JAMES SMITH R.I.P 2019 #EC&AS4Ever&Always# I'll see you when my time comes and I know you'll be waiting on me so you can show me everything you learned being at home peacefully and not suffering anymore. I can't wait to see you again my unforgettable best friend!!!! I know Heaven is getting a whole new experience because down here you rocked everyone's world so I can only imagine what Heaven is undergoing lol!! Xoxoxoxox 

Eryn - May 11, 2019 at 04:29 AM



“ The Gift of Tears
If I could thread my teardrops
Upon a golden chain,
They would sparkle from His Light,
For they are gems by any name.
More precious than diamonds,
A gift from God above,
My tears release the sorrow—
An expression of my love.

Each tear releases sadness;
Each tear releases pain.

Designed by our Creator,
I praise His Holy Name
For tucking deep within me,
This balm to soothe my soul,
To spill upon my sullen cheeks,
To cleanse and make me whole.

Don't hide these jewels inside you
When they threaten to appear.
Humbly wear this treasured gift;
Invite Him to draw near.
Then kneel before the Father—
You are precious in His sight—
And soon your tears will sparkle
Beneath His healing Light.

Diana Clark - May 10, 2019 at 12:58 PM



“ I heard of Andrew through our church family. He was described as funny, happy and naturally friendly. His legacy for Harper is a beautiful one filled with laughter and light. Eternal qualities that will be blended with family and church stories from friends, family, grandparents and great-grandparents. Andrew, you were beautiful inside and out. So is Harper.

The Ellis Family - May 02, 2019 at 12:23 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew James Smith.



May 02, 2019 at 07:55 AM



“ I met Andrew only once at Marlton Park playground. Our daughters played together. I was new to the area and he mentioned Sharptown church and how his dad was the pastor. He was so enthusiastic about us visiting Sharptown. He was very kind and friendly person, even stooped down to tie my daughters shoes. I am so sad to hear the news of his passing but we should learn from his example to always find the chance to be kind and show the love of Jesus to even strangers because it might be just what that person needs. Praying for the Smith family in this difficult time.



“ I am so very sorry to hear about your dear son . So hard to understand i know. Praying our dear Lord to give you all peace In , Jesus name i pray for you all .



LIZ HANBY - May 01, 2019 at 08:32 AM



“ Andrew was a sweet person who I have known for years. I remember all the great times during youth group and bible studies. He would always give me a hug when we saw each other and ask how I was doing. He would tell me that he loved being married and his little girl Harper was the apple of his eye. Andrew you will be sadly missed. My prayers and thoughts are with you all. May you all find peace in Gods love.

Love,

Denise

Denise Dyson - May 01, 2019 at 05:05 AM



“ Dear Family of Andrew Smith: perhaps the following words written by Mary Wygant of Cream Ridge when our son, Billy, died, may be of some comfort at this time.

"NEVER TOO YOUNG TO BE WITH GOD

Though it be a sorrowful day
For those on earth left alone and sad
To know he has gone away.
Never too young to be with God.

Just a little while ago
He came from God.
If God calls back the Loan,
It is surely better so."

Notice that Mrs. Wygant capitalized the word "Loan," thereby giving it personality and reminding us that we do not own our loved ones, but we are all just loaned to each other, and sooner or later we all must return to our Creator, God and Savior Jesus Christ. May the Lord encourage you as you "walk through the valley of the shadow . . ." and assure you of His loving presence in a special way.

Sincerely, Pastor Bob and Sandy Turton
Hightstown, NJ

Bob & Sandy Turton - April 30, 2019 at 11:40 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew James Smith.



April 30, 2019 at 10:54 PM



“ I am so very sorry for your loss. My heart grieves for you. Lifting you all up in prayer to our Heavenly Father.

Tammie Hicks - April 30, 2019 at 10:40 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Scott Champion - April 30, 2019 at 10:05 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Andrew James Smith.



April 30, 2019 at 07:43 PM



“ So sorry for your loss Jenna. I will be praying and thinking of you and Harper.

Rick Hamlin - April 30, 2019 at 05:59 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Andrew James Smith.



April 30, 2019 at 05:43 PM