



## Bruce Winfield Smith III

May 6, 2014

Bruce Winfield Smith III, 33, of Elmer passed away on May 6, 2014. Born in Bridgeton, Bruce was the son of Bruce Smith, Jr. and Cora Lee Harrell-Smith. Following graduating from Cumberland Regional High School, he attended Embry-Riddle University and received Degrees in Physics and Aeronautical Engineering. Afterwards, he began working for the Department of Defense as an Aerospace Systems Engineer.

About fifteen years ago, he was in a very serious car accident. One in which no one expected him to survive. His tenacious desire to beat the odds allowed him to survive. Bruce inspired others that they too could overcome any obstacles placed before them. His drive could also be found in other areas of his life. A self taught musician, Bruce had such a passion and love of music; it was the driving force for many of his poems and songs about love and life. Bruce was passionate about everything he did; from working on cars, to tearing things down and rebuilding them. Bruce had the phenomenal ability to create something from nothing. A true Renaissance man, people often referred to him as a cross between a modern day Da Vinci and MacGyver. Bruce took much pride in achieving his Eagle Scout status. His potential, passion and creativity showed no boundaries. Bruce found joy playing his guitar in the band and always wanted to selflessly help others.

Bruce is survived by: His Mother Cora Lee Harrell-Smith, Father, Bruce Smith

Jr., Step- Mother Arlene Smith, siblings, Sheri Corey and her husband Ken, Adriene Steward-Hitchner and Mark Steward, Grandparents, Bruce Sr. & Margaret Smith, Uncles and Aunts, Jeff & Tracy Smith, Mabel & Tom Taylor, Roger Harrell, Rick & Deb Harrell, Darlene & Bill Crevier and Lynn Bowman as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. His grandparents, Dave & Dora Harrell are waiting for him in Heaven.

Special recognition to Valeriia Berezhna who was the Love of his Life.

A time to gather and celebrate his life will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at the Adams Funeral Home, 64 Broad St., Woodstown, NJ 08098. The family will be available from 5:30 until 8:30 PM to greet anyone who wishes to stop by and pay his or her respects. The service will follow at 8:30 PM. The family has suggested that donations can be made to the Cooper Trauma ICU Unit, 1 Cooper Plaza, Camden, NJ 08103 and the Ronald McDonald House, 550 Mickle Blvd, Camden, NJ 08103. [www.adamsfuneralhome.org](http://www.adamsfuneralhome.org)

# Previous Events

## The family will be available to greet:

MAY 13. 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Adams Funeral Home (Woodstown)  
64 Broad St.  
Woodstown, NJ 08098  
(856) 769-2220

## Service

MAY 13. 8:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JA

“ *JUDY ARANIECKE lit a candle in memory of Bruce Winfield Smith III*



JUDY ARANIECKE - May 27, 2014 at 05:44 AM

JA

“ *Our thoughts & prayers are with your family. We got to know Bruce very well last year...he sat & talked to us every day & we enjoyed our conversations with him very much. We will miss him. God Bless Bruce ??*

JUDY & DON ARANIECKE - May 27, 2014 at 05:42 AM



“ *Arlene Smith lit a candle in memory of Bruce Winfield Smith III*



Arlene Smith - May 18, 2014 at 02:56 PM



*We will miss our Son very much. Sincere thanks to everyone for their comforting words and support during this time. Bruce had many layers and we are finding out more and more of the talents he possessed. Our comfort comes from knowing that the grace of God has relieved him from the severe pain and suffering he had been experiencing for over the past year.*

Arlene Smith - May 18, 2014 at 03:08 PM

JW

“ Know that my thoughts and prayers and with you Cora and your family in the loss of your precious son Brucie. May god give him a bed in heaven. Please know that I will be here for you whenever you need me, Love you Jeanie  
P.S. Paddy and Vicki are also praying for you.



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**Jeanne Walsh** - May 12, 2014 at 08:06 AM