



## David Gipson Smith

March 23, 2018

Good friend, attentive uncle, caring brother and a loving son, David Gipson Smith, 29, of Pilesgrove passed away on February 25, 2018. Born in Stratford, NJ, David was the son of Rev. Doug and Julie Smith. While attending Woodstown High School, David participated on the golf team, which received both recognition and success. He graduated in the class of 2007. He attended Methodist University in Fayetteville, NC and was recognized his freshman year as a student leader. He was most recently employed at Town and Country Golf Course on the maintenance team. Dave enjoyed the company of his family and friends with whom he shared a huge sense of humor, which was frequently sarcastic. During shopping trips to Target, David would ride around the store in the "senior's cart" with the intentional purpose of embarrassing his family and making them laugh.

David thought deeply about current issues and important life questions which resulted in extended theological conversations. He had a compassionate personality, was kind, tender hearted and cared deeply for others. Once he met you, he immediately considered you a friend and would willingly do anything for you without hesitation. People close to David appreciated his hugs and generous spirit. David enjoyed gummy candy, especially Swedish Fish, and then would conclude most days with a container of Ben & Jerry's or Breyers ice cream. All will miss David, his wonderful smile and his big laugh that would cheer up any room.

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

Services of remembrance for David will be hosted at the Sharptown United Methodist Church, 24 Church Street in Pilesgrove, NJ 08098. A visitation will be held on Monday, April 2, 2018 from 4 PM until 8 PM and again Tuesday morning, April 3rd, from 10 AM until 11 AM. The service will follow the Tuesday morning visitation at 11 AM. Burial will follow in the Sharptown UMC Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the Smith family has partnered with the Salem County Office of Drug and Alcohol to fund future Narcan Training events in Salem County. Our prayer is that somehow in David's loss another life might be saved. Contributions may be made in David's name and may be sent to the Salem County Office of Drug and Alcohol at 110 Fifth Street, Suite 500, Salem, NJ 08079 or to Sharptown Church at 24 Church Street, Pilesgrove, NJ 08098 and your contribution will be forwarded. [www.adamsfuneralhome.org](http://www.adamsfuneralhome.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Sharptown UMC Cemetery

Sharptown, NJ 08098

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 2. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Sharptown UMC  
24 Church St.  
Pilesgrove, NJ 08098

## Visitation

APR 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Sharptown UMC  
24 Church St.  
Pilesgrove, NJ 08098

## Service

APR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sharptown UMC  
24 Church St.  
Pilesgrove, NJ 08098

# Tribute Wall

HA

“ *My deepest sympathy for the family. His kind face remains forever in our image.* ”



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**Hanne** - June 20, 2018 at 10:25 AM

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“ *T.D. lit a candle in memory of David Gipson Smith* ”



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**T.D.** - April 27, 2018 at 07:27 AM

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“ *Frank & Ada Robbins lit a candle in memory of David Gipson Smith* ”



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**Frank & Ada Robbins** - April 05, 2018 at 05:24 PM

SS

“ Prayers that the knowledge of Jesus' peace and comfort are true and freely bestowed to you and those who know Jesus. May His Faithfulness continue as you minister to each other and the hurting world around you. You are a blessing to others, and those who know you are grateful for you. Sincere sympathy to each of you who love David.

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**Suzanne Stanch** - March 31, 2018 at 12:46 PM

DL

“ Donna Lentz lit a candle in memory of David Gipson Smith



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**Donna Lentz** - March 30, 2018 at 04:44 PM

DL

“ I have fond memories of the Smith Family when they were at St. John's Methodist Church in Turnersville, NJ. I remember the little boys always looking so handsome and Pastor Doug lovingly with his Youth Group. My most sincere condolences in the loss of your son. May the Lord be with you as you navigate through your grief. Thank you for sharing David's story - My prayer is that it will indeed help and save others. God bless your family and your angel now watching over you, may he rest in peace in God's loving arms.

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**Donna Lentz** - March 30, 2018 at 04:42 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of David Gipson Smith.*



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March 30, 2018 at 01:23 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of David Gipson Smith.*



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March 30, 2018 at 01:11 PM



“ *Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of David Gipson Smith.*



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March 28, 2018 at 11:49 AM



“ *Dian Priest lit a candle in memory of David Gipson Smith*



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**Dian Priest** - March 28, 2018 at 12:09 AM

CW

“ So sorry for your loss. 🙏🙏 for family and friends. R I P David. You sure will be missed by many.



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**Cheryl Foster Williams** - March 27, 2018 at 01:55 PM

LO

“ Lorraine lit a candle in memory of David Gipson Smith



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**Lorraine** - March 27, 2018 at 11:21 AM

MO

“ I am sorry for the loss of David to your family. Every precious memory will be a reminder of his life and although it ended so suddenly and unexpectedly he is now at peace. I hope your family can in time get full closure and remember only the wonderful times with David. This was a true tragedy.



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**Michele O,Connell** - March 27, 2018 at 10:46 AM