



Theodore T. Smith Jr.

December 3, 1956 - March 11, 2015

Theodore T. "Ted" Smith, Jr., 58, of Danvers, died Wednesday, March 11, 2015 in Naples, Florida. He was the loving husband of Carolyn (Gilligan) Smith and devoted father to Jennifer Smith Iliades and her husband, Constantine, of Gloucester. In addition, he leaves behind his mother-in-law, several siblings-in-law, and his many nieces and nephews.

Ted was a lifelong resident of Danvers and was the son of the late Theodore T. and Anne Marie (Jones) Smith. He was a graduate of Danvers High School and of Merrimack College. Ted was a dedicated licensed optician for twenty-five years.

Visiting hours will be on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 from 4:00 - 8:00 pm at C.R. Lyons & Sons, Funeral Directors, 28 Elm Street, Danvers Square. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 10:00 am in the funeral home. Relatives and friends are invited. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Ted's memory to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society (www.nationalmssociety.org) or the Diabetes Research and Wellness Foundation (www.diabeteswellness.net).

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

C.R. Lyons & Sons Funeral Directors
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Danvers, MA 01923
info@lyonsfuneral.com
<https://www.lyonsfuneral.com/>

Service

MAR 18. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

NQ

“ To the smith family i am so sorry to hear today about teds passing. i have not seen dean gray for a while but ran into him today and he told me about Ted. i worked for many years at sears burlington and then hallmark at peabody and would stop in and talk to ted at lenscrafters or see him in thr hallmark store during the different holidays .i was so shocked at the sad news my prayers go out to you and your family. so so sorry for your loss nan quinlan woburn,ma

n^{an} quinlan - June 15, 2015 at 04:49 PM

CW

“ I am shocked and saddened to hear this news. I have fond memories of Ted in the old Village Green days...his courtship with Carolyn and all the fun we all had. Carolyn, your daughter, family and friends are in my thoughts and prayers. ♡♡



Cindy Wurdeman - March 19, 2015 at 11:19 AM

MR

“ Maryann & Randy lit a candle in memory of Theodore T. Smith Jr.



Maryann & Randy - March 18, 2015 at 04:33 AM

DT

“ Carolyn, I just learned of the passing of your husband Ted. I'm so sorry for your loss. I'll be thinking of you. Love and hugs, Deb Trainor, Arlington, MA

Deborah Trainor - March 17, 2015 at 03:15 PM

CW

“ Ted was my only cousin on my mother's side of the family. Our family vacations growing up of course were to Danvers to visit my mother's family. I am three years younger than Ted, but even as a child, I remember him always being so kind and including me in all the big kid things. Over the years, time and distance kept us from seeing one another on a regular basis but we did have a few occasions when we were able to spend time together in Florida and my few visits to Danvers. Every couple of months we would chat on the phone and of course we had our friendly banter on FB over the Detroit Tigers vs Boston Red Sox! He was a kind, caring, wonderful man. I will truly miss him. One thought that always makes me smile and I will forever hold dear is, every time Ted would call me he would say, "Hi Carol. It's your cousin Ted." I of course would start laughing and respond, "Ted, do you really think you need to identify yourself? As soon as you say "Carol" I know it's you! That Boston accent gives it away every time!" I will truly miss his friendship! My heart is broken for Carolyn and Jennifer. He truly loved his family and was so incredibly proud of Jennifer. So grateful to both of them for filling his life with love! I will miss you Ted. I know for sure that every time I hear someone say, "park the car", I will think of you and smile! God Bless You!

Carol Walker - March 16, 2015 at 09:03 AM

KI

“ We have had the pleasure of sharing several special occasions with Ted. The most notable being Nick and Jenn's wedding day. It was a wonderful day. Several guests remarked that it was obvious, Jenn was the apple of her father's eye. There were birthday parties, cookouts and lots of laughs when ted would share his grand-dog stories. We came to appreciate what a sentimental and empathetic man he could be.

Who else would tolerate a dog that literally stole a steak right off the plate he was eating from and then decided that at future dinners there would be enough steak to go around, including Nikos's portion.

Our most favorite occasions were the Christmas Eves spent with Ted, Cal, Jenn and Nick. These were good family times. Ted was always so easy to be around and it was a pleasure listening to him tell stories about growing up in the area and sharing boating tales with Nick. We always went home with a good feeling about our family and the meaning of the holiday season.

We will miss you Ted and remember you always,

Karen and Chris

Karen and Chris Iliades - March 15, 2015 at 05:05 PM

GG

“ Ted and I worked together in the optical industry for 15 years. He worked on the retail side, and I worked on the supplier side. Each Christmas we would have a dinner party that was attended by Ted, Carolyn, and other co-workers. These parties were memorable. Ted's dry humor would always trigger a round of laughs. And while I never heard Ted criticize anyone, he wasn't shy about letting you know if he had a different point of view.

We will miss Ted and the memories he helped to create over the years. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Carolyn and the rest of Ted's family.

Love,

Gary & Helen

Gary Bert & Helen Garrett - March 15, 2015 at 02:08 PM

MB

“ Mike & June Blanchette lit a candle in memory of Theodore T. Smith Jr.



Mike & June Blanchette - March 15, 2015 at 11:31 AM

SC

“ Teddy sat behind me in elementary school(Tapley School) & decided he was going to pull my hair! Well when he did it the second time, I grabbed his arm & scraped it on the desk! We both had to go to Principal Landers office! We teased each other for years & even Carolyn would say "you beat my husband up" so very sad that you have left us so soon RIP my friend you will truly be missed!

Sheila Tremblay Cummings - March 14, 2015 at 11:23 PM

KH

“ Kate Webb Hudson lit a candle in memory of Theodore T. Smith Jr.



Kate Webb Hudson - March 14, 2015 at 05:13 PM



Teddy, I won't forget our walks home from Danversport School... you were always carrying a musical instrument of some kind... I'll be listening for you!

Kate Hudson - March 14, 2015 at 05:26 PM

LB

“ *Laureen Brickley lit a candle in memory of Theodore T. Smith Jr.*



Laureen Brickley - March 14, 2015 at 10:13 AM

KT

“ *When we first met Ted, Ken and I laughed saying he looked like Martin Scorsese, Cal argued he looked more like Richard Gere..We called him "Marty" from then on, he always smiled about that. We will so miss you our friend, Ken & Terri*

Ken and Terri - March 14, 2015 at 08:07 AM

TM

“ *Tracy MCNichol lit a candle in memory of Theodore T. Smith Jr.*



Tracy MCNichol - March 13, 2015 at 10:15 PM

TC

“ *Tony Curuolo lit a candle in memory of Theodore T. Smith Jr.*



tony curuolo - March 13, 2015 at 06:07 PM

SL

“ I am saddened to hear this news. Teddy was always in my homeroom. I remember that he would never say his middle name. Years after graduating from high school, I asked him about it. He told me that he would tell me if I never told anyone. We had a good laugh when I told him that his middle name was my Dad's name. We never mentioned it again until he made a comment on my Dad's obituary. Teddy was an all around good guy and will be missed by all that knew him. Rest in Peace friend....Susan Shepherd Lawrence



Susan Lawrence - March 13, 2015 at 09:39 AM

RL

Such sad news. I met Ted and Carolyn at the Village Green in Danvers. So many laughs and fun working with Carolyn there, then Ted hired me at Daileys in Middleton. Worked there for many years. So sorry, Carolyn and Jen. Rest in peace, Ted.

Rick Learoyd - March 18, 2015 at 07:54 AM