



Melvyn Smith

September 26, 1946 - January 9, 2020

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Jennings: Melvyn was born in Mermentau Cove, LA on September 26, 1946 to John Smith and Clouya Benoit Smith. He was called from this life on January 9, 2020. Melvyn was the Principal of Mermentau Elementary for 37 years. He was an avid fan of LSU and loved watching all sports as well. Most of all Melvyn loved visiting with family and friends. Melvyn was loved by many and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Melvyn is survived by his three brothers, Leonard (Gale) Smith of Gueydan, LA, Lee Roy Smith of Mermentau Cove, LA, Ravis Smith of Lake Arthur, LA; his two sisters, Elaine (James) Stackhouse of Jennings, LA, Roxanna (Donald) Murray of Iowa, LA; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Melvyn is preceded in death by his parents, John and Clouya Smith.

Funeral Services for Melvyn Smith, 73 of Mermentau Cove, LA will be held at Matthews & Son Funeral home in Jennings, LA on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 11:00 AM with Reverend Seth Bianchini officiating. Burial will follow in the Istre Cemetery. Those chosen to honor Melvyn as his pallbearers are Buddy Murray, Jeff Smith, Ryan Smith, Matthew Bebee, Kaleb Murray and Dwayne Bebee. Honorary pallbearers will be Kelly LeBoeuf, and Mark Guinn.

A gathering of family and friends will be held at Matthews & Son Funeral Home beginning on Friday, January 17th from 5:00 PM until 9:00 PM. The family request that visitation resume on Saturday, January 18th at 8:00 AM until the time of his Funeral Services at 11:00 AM.

To extend online condolences, please visit our website at www.matthewsandsfuneralhome.net

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Istre Cemetery

2326 Swift Rd
Morse, LA 70559

Previous Events

Gathering of Friends and Family

JAN 17. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Matthews Funeral Home - JENNINGS
511 N. Cutting Avenue
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Tribute Wall



“ *Melvyn Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *Brenda B. Francis lit a candle in memory of Melvyn Smith*



Brenda B. Francis - January 18, 2020 at 01:11 PM



“ *66 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Matthews Funeral Home - January 15, 2020 at 01:28 PM

CS

“ Melvyn took a chance on me when I moved back to Louisiana. Luckily he took the advice of Carl Lejeune, the personnel director, to interview just one more person. Melvyn reluctantly agreed. It was the most comfortable interview I ever had. We had a connection and I got the job. My most memorable moments about him were when we met for daily prayers for our family friends and students. After we both moved on I enjoyed visiting with him at Walmart and McDonald's. Rest in Peace, my friend.

Cherie Stanley - January 13, 2020 at 09:00 PM

RT

“ What a dear friend and Man of God. I had the privilege of knowing Melvin for over 30 years. Only heaven knows how many people Melvin was able to encourage to come into a relationship with Jesus or encourage them in their spiritual walk with the Lord. He loved his Lord, the bible, people of all walks, his family, his school, and community so much. You will be sorely missed dear brother and never replaced. See you on the other side after I get through customs....ha.

Roger Efferson in TN - January 11, 2020 at 10:25 PM

DW

“ Always enjoyed visiting with Melvyn. I really got to know him when I was at Esterwood.

Diane Wakefield - January 11, 2020 at 12:05 AM

RF

“ I remember Mr Smith as well i think he was a sixth grade teacher at Armstrong . He wasn't my teacher but he was so nice to all.

rodney j. figaro - January 10, 2020 at 08:20 PM

RD

“ We enjoyed working with him and will always remember his smile.
Ronnie and Sandy Doguet

Ronnie and Sandy Doguet - January 10, 2020 at 06:16 PM

JC

“ So sad to hear of his passing. He was my best boss ever.

JC Cormier - January 10, 2020 at 09:31 AM

BL

“ Betty LeBlanc lit a candle in memory of
Melvyn Smith



Betty LeBlanc - January 09, 2020 at 06:54 PM

BL

Melvin and I were childhood friends, and I pray his soul has found
peace with his heavenly Father.

Betty LeBlanc - January 09, 2020 at 06:55 PM

BG

“ MR.Smith was my principal at Mermentau la he was very nice an
made sure are little home town school was ran right .My prayers to
his family.

Bonnie Romero Guidry - January 09, 2020 at 06:28 PM

JE

Yes and Mermentau School has not been the same since, just my
opinion. Prayers for the family 🙏

Jenny - January 11, 2020 at 11:45 AM

JB

“ There are so many good things I could say about Mr Smith, but I'll keep it simple. He played a huge part in molding my life to what it is today. By far the best teacher I ever had the pleasure to learn under. So so many good memories of our time at Armstrong Middle School. He supported our 4-H program with so much passion, even teaching us to sing the song in French. God bless you, sir. And thank you for being a strong guiding force in my young life. You have truly left an indelible mark on me. ❤️

Jeanette Breaux - January 09, 2020 at 06:24 PM