



Steven J. Smith

November 6, 1955 - February 23, 2016

Steven J. Smith, 60, of Westvale, NY, died Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at the Francis House. A native and life resident of the Syracuse, NY area, he was the son of the late John and Betty Cook Smith.

Steve retired from the Syracuse Fire Department in 2016 following 28 years as the Fiscal Officer where he was greatly respected and received Honorary Chief status. Steve enjoyed summers at Brennan Beach. He was a collector of sentimental memorabilia; an avid lacrosse fan, especially SU lacrosse; a fan of the Boston Celtics and NFL quarterback, Kenny Stabler. He also loved 80's music. Steve was a wonderful and devoted family man.

He is survived by his daughter, Holly (Patrick James) Smith; "step-daughter," Victoria Alvaro; several nieces and nephews; his feline companions, Isabella and Pankhurst. Following his divorce from his former wife and very good friend, Gay Alvaro, he met and was engaged to Nikki Nichols, who died in 1998. He was considered "Papa" to many of his daughters' friends and family.

Calling hours will be Sunday, February 28, 2016, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse, NY. Funeral service will be Monday, February 29, 2016, at 10 a.m. in Atonement Lutheran Church, 116 W. Glen Avenue, Syracuse, NY. Burial will be in White Chapel Memory Gardens, DeWitt, NY.

Contributions in Steven's name may be made to Francis House, 108 Michaels Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13208.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Steven J. Smith*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - February 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *It was a pleasure to have Steve as my beach neighbor at Brennan's. His bright smile will be missed. My sincere sympathy Judy.*

Sunshine - February 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the family of Steve, Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies. May your good memories sustain you through this difficult time and the comfort of family and friends ease your sorrow. I worked with Steve for a short time while on light duty, he truly was a great guy and helped me get through those days with his quick wit and sense of humor. You really were one of "us" Steve, Godspeed Brother. Jerry Parsons (SFD retired)*

February 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to your family during this time of sorrow. Worked with him at the public safety bldg. He was always a gentleman . Stevarino will be missed.*
Mark Bartowski(SFD Ret.)

February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Steve was a true gentleman and I am grateful for having worked with him in city government. My sympathies to his family. Rest in peace Steve.*

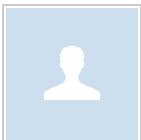
Pat Driscoll

February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Judy and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Steve loved you all very much. May you find peace in your memories.*
Beth C.

February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Photos of Steve from the past 10 years*

February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To the Family of Steve Smith -
My condolences on the passing of your father/grandfather Steve. As a City of Syracuse Parks employee, I was fortunate to have work with him for many years and was always impressed with his professional approach taken in his work performance and willingness to help out other departments when asked for assistance. Rest in Peace! Tom White*

Candle of Peace - February 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Smith Family: Please accept my heartfelt sympathy for your loss. May you find comfort in the words written at Acts 24:15, where God promises to bring back to life those we have lost in death by means of a resurrection. In the future he will also do away with our enemy, death.(Isaiah 25:8) This gives us the wonderful hope of being reunited with our loved ones forever. Until then, I hope the memories of Steven and these promises from God comfort you in the days to come.*

February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *My sincerest sympathy to the family and friends of Steve. I have always heard so many nice things about this man's loving nature and generous soul. God bless you all in your loss, Praise God as you celebrate his life, while he dances with joy, as he joins the Father above. Peace and contentment to all of you.*

February 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM