



Donald "Doc" Smith

September 12, 1936 - April 10, 2026

Dr. Donald Gene Smith, affectionately known as “Doc” by all his friends and family passed away on Friday April 10, 2026, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Doc was 89 years old, born on September 12, 1936, in Blount County, AL the son of Leonard Smith and Connie Stephens Smith. He was a graduate of J.B. Pennington High School and served 4 years in the United States Air Force. He graduated from the University of Alabama School of Dentistry in 1964. He practiced dentistry in Blountsville for 53 years before retiring to work on his farm and enjoy being with family and friends.

He is survived by his sister, Betty Taylor, her two sons, Mike and Greg Taylor; also survived by Mike’s children, Jeff and Melissa and a host of other family and many friends.

Funeral Service was Sunday April 12, 2026, at 3 PM at Blountsville Funeral Home with Bro. David Taylor and Bro. Dennis Martin officiating. Burial was in Mt. Hebron Cemetery. Visitation was from 1-3 PM.

Doc picked his pallbearers and honorary pallbearers and has noted several of the connections to these friends.

Pallbearers are Bill Alldredge, Lynn Alldredge, Larry Smith, Trent Lunsford, Austin Lunsford and Jeff Gibbs;

Honorary Pallbearers: Dental Friends: Dr. Jay Hype, Dr. Pete Dube, Dr. Don Gordon and Bob Gordon-Dental Lab. Farm Friends: Dr. Dan Scott-Doc’s first

surgery patient, Sam Pinyan, one of the most productive farms in Cullman, Charles Newman, with his main grandson, Cam Lay, Grady Pate-guitar picker, plow boy with Big M Tractor, Shane Hallman-best tenant, Cleve Green-sold farm and moved to Cullman, Bobby Green-big in VOAG, Royce King-class mate, Sherry White-classmate. Honorary Football Heroes: Farris Absher-high school, a Mr. Pennington favorite, Bobby Johns-college hero-two time All America University of Alabama.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hebron Cemetery

600 Mt. Hebron Rd.
Blountsville, AL 35031

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 12. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Blountsville Funeral Home
69555 Main St
Blountsville, AL 35031
(205) 429-4137

Funeral Service

APR 12. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JT

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Jeff Taylor - April 11 at 06:27 PM

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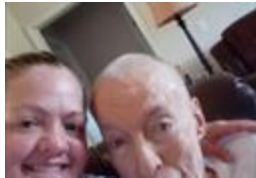
“ Chloe S. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald "Doc" Smith.



Chloe S. - April 11 at 03:03 PM

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Melissa Taylor - April 11 at 09:22 AM

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Melissa Taylor - April 11 at 09:21 AM

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This was December 7, 2019. Doc wanted to bring Jeff, Parker, Trent and Austin on a train ride from Birmingham AL to Atlanta GA. What an adventure for everyone! Doc often talked about taking train rides and always wanted to show the kids a good time. I took this picture at the train station in Atlanta when I went to pick them up ❤️ I have such fond memories of Doc. I also worked for Doc as a dental assistant when I was in my early 20s. Doc will be greatly missed by everyone including myself.

Throughout my life and my children's and grandchildren's lives, Doc has been there, steadfast and true. He believed in helping others and giving others help wherever he could. We had many laughs over the years, Doc always loved to use "puns" to make us laugh. If he saw you cry, he would say "come on, tough it out" and all of a sudden, you felt better. So Doc, I'm going to try your words and tough this out. Miss you already. Rest easy my friend.

Sandra Ray - April 12 at 08:17 AM

KM

“ *He was my dentist, and I believe we had some of our best conversations when he had all of his tools in my mouth, lol. But I also waited on him at the Red Barn where he was a funny, nice, down to earth man. Him and his brother Benny were a couple of my favorites. He will be missed.*

Kim Mcgehee - April 11 at 08:21 AM

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“ I started working for Doc when I was 15 years old. I would leave PHS at 1 pm and work until 5 pm. I worked with his sister Linda and Elaine Haynes. I saw him do so many kind things in the community that people never knew about. If a boy couldn't afford a uniform—he bought it. If a family was in need — he would discreetly help them. He was a great man in our community. Lynda Chambers Rhymes

Lynda Rhymes - April 11 at 05:23 AM

TA

“ I first met Doc in post office. We started talking, then next thing I know, he hired me right then and there. He started calling me, Tammie Faye. And believe it stuck. Love him for all he done for me and my kids. He was a good man. Always in parades on his tractor, smiling. At every football game. Never meet a stranger. He'll definitely be missed by The Whole Town and myself included.

Tammie - April 10 at 10:20 PM

TA

Prayers for Family and Friends

Tammie - April 10 at 10:21 PM

BG

“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Doc Smith. I was his Dental Lab Technician for many years, enjoyed working with him. Praying for his family. Bob Gordon

Bob Gordon - April 10 at 08:20 PM

MK

He was my dentist I would be in the chair and he would come running in saying I'm sorry for running late I had to pull a calf I didn't hear wash his hands he would get all his instruments in my mouth plus both hands and then ask me what I thought of a certain tractor there will never be another DOC loved him to death RIP prayers for his family

Mack Kent - April 12 at 04:36 PM