



Paul Dwight Smith

February 25, 1953 - December 31, 2019

Paul Dwight Smith, age 66, of Humboldt KS, passed away Tuesday, December 31, 2019 in Wichita Kansas after a short illness. He was born on February 25, 1953 in Chanute, KS, the son of Leslie Richard (Dick) and Ruth Marie (Howerton) Smith. Paul graduated from Chanute High School in 1971 and served in the US Navy in damage control. He was an amateur radio operator, call sign N0NBD, and a member of the the 4-State QRP, Amateur Radio Club. He was a member of Virginia Lodge #315, AF & AM Savonburg, KS and Elks Lodge #806, Chanute, KS. Paul belonged to the Humboldt United Methodist Church. He served as a scoutmaster for the BSA in Humboldt and as an assistant scoutmaster in Chanute.

Paul retired from Neosho County Community College in 2014 after 24 years of service. He was an avid fisherman, RV'er, Nascar follower, NHL Hockey fan and enjoyed soccer and rugby. He played numerous musical instruments. Paul married Sarah Lorraine Smith in 1972; she survives him at the home. Paul is also survived by sons: Leslie Allen (Angie) Smith and Dwight Richard Smith, both of Humboldt, KS. Sisters: Connie Ruth (John) Clarkson of Arma, KS, and Peggy Smith (Mike) Myers; 4 Grandchildren: Kyle Martin, Sarah Smith, Brittany (Jasper) Haskins and Joshua Smith; 2 Great Grandchildren: Braydon Allen Smith and Rocky Paul Haskins, and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial service will be held on Friday, January 10, 2019 at 10 a.m. at the Humboldt United Methodist Church, Humboldt, KS. Memorials may be made to Neosho County Community College Foundation Plaza Project or the Humboldt United Methodist Church and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Arrangements have been entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home, 908 Central, Humboldt, KS 66748.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 10. 10:00 AM (CT)

Humboldt United Methodist Church
Humboldt, KS 66748

Tribute Wall

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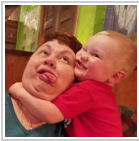
“ So very Sorry Sarah, and family! I Have a fan in my office that Paul himself brought me after I started working here and asked maintenance for a fan.
He was a great guy and I know you will all miss him..Hugs and prayers in the coming days.

Mary Ewen - January 10, 2020 at 02:00 PM

JW

“ So sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of Paul. I knew him from kindergarten. He was a nice guy and had a wonderful family. He will be missed by many!

Judy Lindquist Walters - January 10, 2020 at 01:40 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss Sarah! My thoughts & prayers are with you.

Kathy Sehorn

Kathy Umbarger Sehorn - January 09, 2020 at 01:03 AM

DS

“ We're sending our heartfelt sympathy. Paul was such a nice man. He will be missed!

Denise Schomaker - January 08, 2020 at 09:50 PM

MI

“ Paul...he was the brother I never had, I miss him so much already. We became pretty close after he retired. I so enjoyed helping him tear out the old fence on north side of his house, and cutting brush after the storm fell limbs on his camper. Oh, I can not forget the times I went up to Humboldt and had coffee and donuts. Then he would come to my house and have coffee and talk ham radio or fishing. One time Peg was here and kept him occupied, while I got the hose out and soap and I washed his dirty pick up, he came outside laughing and said It's a brand new truck.
Miss you brother...
Mike

mike - January 08, 2020 at 08:37 PM

CW

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers for peace and comfort are with you.

Christina Wimsett - January 08, 2020 at 09:11 AM

MT

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Paul. He was a kind and loving soul. Prayers to all of the family.

Melissa Thomas - January 08, 2020 at 06:40 AM

BS

“ So very sorry to hear this news. I worked with Paul for many years and he taught me so much. Paul (the college kids called him Paulie...so I did too sometimes) had a great sense of humor and always went out of his way for our employees, as well as our students. Paul was fearless too. One memory I will never forget...we had lost power to the campus one Saturday and Paul and I were the only ones here working. Well, let's be honest, I was following Paul around while he was troubleshooting the problem. We got to the main boiler room where the electrical switch gear was located and there was smoke coming out of the switch gear main electrical box. As we got closer, the main box literally erupted, smoke and flames spewing out of every crack and even some of the switch blanks. Without hesitation, Paul leaped forward and grabbed the electric switch main through the flames with both hands and shut down the electric. I was yelling at him to stop but he never hesitated and told me afterwards it was nothing..."barely singed the hairs on his arms." That was Paul to a tee. Nothing like that ever phased him. That's just one of a hundred stories like that. Paul taught me a ton about the college and hard work and life, and I will never forget him. My prayers are with Sarah and family.

Ben Smith - January 07, 2020 at 01:35 PM

DH

“ So sorry to hear about Paul. He was a great person and will be greatly missed.
Dave Hawkins

Dave Hawkins - January 07, 2020 at 08:27 AM