



Joseph Samuel Smith, Sr. DVM

November 21, 2007

Conway.....Joseph Samuel Smith, Sr. DVM, age 85, died Wednesday, November 21, 2007 at Conway Medical Center. Dr. Smith was born January, 12, 1922 in Charlotte, NC, son of the late Felix Merwin and Marquerite Drake Smith of Whiteville, NC. He graduated from Whiteville High School in 1939, and graduated from Auburn University with a degree in Veterinary Medicine in 1943. Dr. Smith practiced Veterinary Medicine in Tabor City, NC for 2 years before moving to Conway, SC. He established the first Veterinary Hospital in Horry County Conway Veterinary Hospital which he continued to run until 1985 at which time he retired. He was a member of the NC Association of Veterinarians, the SC Association of Veterinarians, American Association of Veterinarians and the Pee Dee Association of Veterinarians. Dr. Smith was a charter member of the Riverside Club, a boy scout leader and member of the Pee Dee Area Council of Boy Scouts. Dr. Smith was a charter member of Trinity United Methodist Church having been active in the church choir for several years. He was an avid fisherman and hunter which he enjoyed from an early age. In conjunction with the Horry Health Department he organized the first rabies control program for Horry County, and continued to hold rabies clinics throughout the county until his retirement reducing the number of rabies cases considerably. Dr. Smith did animal testing for US Department of Agriculture for several years. Most of all he was a loving husband, a wonderful father, grandfather and great grandfather and took such pride in and enjoyed all of his family so very much. Surviving are: his wife of 63 years, Eloise Todd

Smith; two sons, Joseph Samuel Smith, Jr. and his wife Patsy of Conway and Michael Todd Smith and wife Marianne of Columbia; one daughter, Dr. Gayle Smith Blouin and husband Randy of Greenville; seven grandchildren, Amy Smith Burger, Joseph Samuel Smith, III, McLaurin Smith Saunders, Barrett McQueen Smith, Cameron Wilkes Smith, Hunter Christopher Blouin and Katherine Smith Blouin; six great-grandchildren, Britton Leigh Burger, Joseph Blane Burger, BrooksAnn Ella Burger, Swepson Harrison Saunders VII, Lochlin Wilkes Saunders and Victoria Jackson; and a brother, Dr. James Roderick Smith of Seattle, Washington. A funeral service will be held 2:00 PM Friday, November 23, 2007 at Trinity United Methodist Church with the Rev. Carl Hunsucker officiating. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1-2 PM Friday at Trinity United Methodist Church Palor. Memorials may be sent to Trinity United Methodist Church, 198 Long Avenue, Conway, SC 29526. Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Alma and I were out of town on a trip to Des Moines for a family wedding and did not get back until Monday night. Our prayers are with you. We look forward to seeing you. Jeanette*##imported-begin##*Alma Lyerly & Jeanette Brown*##imported-end##

November 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *My heart and prayers are with you and your family.*##imported-begin##*Viona Szabo Jones*##imported-end##

November 25, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Eloise and her family, My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. May your many happy memories sustain you.*##imported-begin##*Margaret Fain*##imported-end##

November 25, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I pray that God will continue to bless and care for your family in your time need. K D Skipper, Member Grand Strand Quilters and Smockers.*##imported-begin##*Kellee D. Skipper*##imported-end##

November 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Eloise & Family We are so sorry to hear of Joe's passing and wish we could be with you today. He was a wonderful man who leaves us with many wonderful memories. God bless you all.##imported-begin##David & Sandi Todd & Family##imported-end##*

November 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Eloise, our hearts weep, but our prayers and thoughts will continue to envelope each of you with the loss of Joe . He was truly a man to treasure and your devotion to each other has been an example to each of us. Our love, John and Lil Douglas##imported-begin##John and Lil##imported-end##*

November 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *My Dear Eloise and Family, May God's love surround you and comfort you during this time.##imported-begin##Karen Boehm##imported-end##*

November 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Gayle and family, I wish there were words that could convey the heartfelt sympathy I feel for you at this time. My thoughts and prayers are with you. I truly know your pain, and know that you have some hard days ahead. I will keep you all in my prayers. JoAnne##imported-begin##JoAnne Owings##imported-end##*

November 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Eloise - I'm so sorry to hear that Joe passed away. Please know that your friends are sending prayers and best wishes in this time of grief. Bev###imported-begin###Beverly Clement###imported-end##

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“ Eloise, I'm keeping you and your family in my prayers. My deepest sympathy to you. Mary Lou McNabb###imported-begin###Mary Lou McNabb###imported-end##

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“ Our hearts go out to the family and friends of Joe. We loved him dearly and will miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.###imported-begin###The Yates Family###imported-end##

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“ Mere words cannot express how much we admired Joe. Joe was a man who made everyone he met feel special. He was always so glad to see you with his warm smile and welcoming hug. There is not a man alive who could call you "sugar" like Joe. We love him and will miss him dearly.###imported-begin###Rick , Lori Todd & Family###imported-end##

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