



## Richard C Smith

February 21, 1933 - January 8, 2019

Richard C. Smith, age 85, of Hobart, IN., passed away Tuesday, January 8, 2019. Richard was born in Hammond, IN on February 21, 1933 and was the first of six children of Richard and Francis (nee Adelsperger) Smith. He grew up in Griffith, graduated from Griffith High School and attended Chicago Technical Institute. Richard served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Okinawa. He was retired from LTV Steel in East Chicago, IN., and had a love of model railroading. In his retirement Richard was a volunteer at St. Mary Medical Center.

He was preceded in death by his wife-Rita (nee Mann); brothers-Lawrence (Barbara) Smith of Schererville, IN., Daniel (Jane) Smith of Thornton, CO., James (Peggy) Smith of Pueblo, CO. Richard is survived by his daughter-Denise (Lenard) Lynch of Hobart, IN.; son-Charles (Ellen) Smith of Barrington, IL.; grandchildren-Stephen, Valerie, and Bridget; three great-grandchildren; sisters-Nancy (Lawrence) Pittenger of Pueblo, Co., Annette (Don) Hart of Crown Point, IN.; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral service for Richard will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2019, at 1:00 p.m., at Burns Funeral Home, 701 East 7th Street, Hobart. Friends may visit with his family from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at Burns (Hobart). Cremation will precede the service. Interment at Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to VNA Hospice of Valparaiso, 501 Marquette Street, Valparaiso, IN., 46383. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

2701 Willowdale Road  
Portage, IN 46368

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 12. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ My deepest sympathy to all in the passing of uncle Rich. Although I never got to spend a lot of time with him I'll always remember his smile. When I was a child I remember going to uncle Rich and aunt Rita's home. He was such a kind and gentle man. My mother, Shirley and I would see him and aunt Rita from time to time at Stracks in Highland/Griffith. They would always stop and talk and ask about our families. Uncle Rich was the real deal, genuine, a wonderful reflection of two of the greatest grandparents that ever graced this earth, Richard and Frances Smith. May he rest in peace in God's eternal home with all those he loved who had gone on before. Deborah Braden, daughter of James Frances Smith

Deborah Braden - January 11, 2019 at 07:09 PM

EV

“ Evie lit a candle in memory of Richard C Smith



Evie - January 09, 2019 at 08:56 PM

EV

Richard will missed, prayers go out for his family in honor of a great cousin who always had a smile for everyone. I know Richard and his brothers as well as his cousin Hank will be in great company. Richard and Hank were good buddies and were "mischief makers" together. Love them dearly!

Evie - January 09, 2019 at 09:01 PM

JS

*So hard to say goodbye . Roger, Rich and I were the first 3 from the 3 sisters and were playmates in the beginning. Now we are together at the ending. See you again, cuz. Joan*

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**joan steadman** - January 11, 2019 at 07:51 PM