

## Austin James Smith

November 10, 1996 - March 26, 2021

Austin James Smith, 24, of Rossville, passed away Friday, March 26, 2021, along with his wife, Kelsey Layne Ownby Smith and infant daughter, Aurora Gracelynn Smith. He was born in Syracuse, New York, but had lived most of his life in the North Georgia area. He was of the Christian faith and was previously employed with Brian Wallin Construction for several years as a carpenter. He was currently pursuing a career in Truck Driving and was studying for his CDL license. His main priority in life was providing for his family. He enjoyed drawing, swimming, playing sports and was a true gamer. He had a wonderful sense of humor that was always infectious and loved spending time with his family, friends, but especially his children. He was a loving and devoted son, brother, grandson and father that will be truly missed by all who knew him. He was preceded in death by his father, Patrick Michael Smith and grandfather, James Charles Stewart.

Survivors include his mother, Melissa Stewart; grandmother, Dametria Stewart; children, Sterling James Smith and Justice Elaine Taylor Cates; brothers, Alex Michael Smith and Michael Smith; sisters, Angel Champion and Amy Champion; and numerous extended family & friends.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 31, 2021 in the Fort Oglethorpe Chapel with Bro. Chris Spears and Bro. Jeremy Hanrahan officiating. Burial will follow in the Tennessee-Georgia Memorial Park. The

family will receive friends from 3 – 8 p.m. on Tuesday and prior to the service on Wednesday at the funeral home. Online guest book at [www.wilsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com). Arrangements by W.L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home Fort Oglethorpe, GA.

# Cemetery Details

## Tennessee/Georgia Memorial Park

724 Hogan Rd.  
Rossville, GA 30741  
(706) 866-5533

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 30.** 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home-Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel  
555 West Cloud Springs Road  
Ft. Oglethorpe, GA 30742  
(706) 866-5555  
info@wilsonfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

**MAR 31.** 1:00 PM (ET)

W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home-Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel  
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# Tribute Wall

TF

“ Tammy & Aerial Fowlkes lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith



Tammy & Aerial Fowlkes - March 31, 2021 at 09:50 PM

KB

“ Kathy Smith Benson lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith



Kathy Smith Benson - March 31, 2021 at 06:10 PM



“ Rodney Davis lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith



Rodney Davis - March 31, 2021 at 01:27 PM

TB

“ Our Deepest Condolences to the entire Family . Thinking of you during this Time - abj Fire protection Syracuse NY

thomas Brefka - March 31, 2021 at 10:37 AM

TP

“ Tim P. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Austin James Smith.



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Tim P. - March 31, 2021 at 10:34 AM



“ 4 files added to the album We will always love you!



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Linda Byrd - March 31, 2021 at 01:00 AM

TG

“ To a young man and family I never knew. I'm a school bus driver and passed the accident. I prayed for these involved and continue to. God Bless you all.

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Tina Sirmans/Lake Park, Ga - March 30, 2021 at 05:08 PM

KW

“ *Kristy, Caleb, Brinley Watkins lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith*



**Kristy, Caleb, Brinley Watkins** - March 30, 2021 at 06:51 AM

CR

“ *Such a sweet person.*



**crystal romero** - March 30, 2021 at 01:18 AM

CG

“ *My condolences are with yall*



**Courtney Gaddis** - March 29, 2021 at 11:24 PM

PT

“ *Patricia Tate lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith*



**Patricia Tate** - March 29, 2021 at 08:31 PM

MA

“ Please accept my condolences for you and your whole family through this.



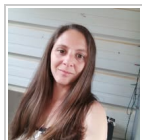
Maureen - March 29, 2021 at 11:31 AM

AT

“ Annmarie Trimm lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith



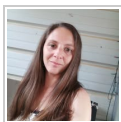
Annmarie Trimm - March 29, 2021 at 04:06 AM



“ Linda Byrd lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith



Linda Byrd - March 29, 2021 at 12:29 AM



I will always love and miss you.. sorry dude you are still awesome not Austin and always will be.. I'm glad you are not hurting.

Linda Byrd - March 29, 2021 at 12:30 AM

TJ

“ *Ted Sullivan Jr lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith*



Ted Sullivan jr - March 29, 2021 at 12:22 AM

MT

“ *Maggie Torrasi lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith*



Maggie Torrasi - March 28, 2021 at 09:34 PM



“ *Gayle Presley lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith*



Gayle Presley - March 28, 2021 at 08:05 PM

CL

“ *We used to go to school at Ringgold and went to church at Kieth Baptist together. You were always the clown of the bunch and making people laugh was always the best part of everything at school and church! Rest easy buddy.*



Cheyenne Lewis - March 28, 2021 at 07:30 PM



“ *Katie Rockwood lit a candle in memory of Austin James Smith*



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**Katie Rockwood** - March 28, 2021 at 07:27 PM



*RIP my Grandson*

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**Katie Rockwood** - March 28, 2021 at 07:27 PM



*praying for the families*

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**Gayle Presley** - March 28, 2021 at 08:05 PM

MW

“ *May God keep you all safe in his loving arms*



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**maria & Paul Winfree** - March 28, 2021 at 07:01 PM

NQ

“ *Love you big brother. Look after my best friend and my niece. I love you guys soooo much. ❤️*

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**natalie quinn** - March 28, 2021 at 06:27 PM

JE

“ Jennifer lit a candle in memory of Austin  
James Smith



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**jennifer** - March 28, 2021 at 05:45 PM

AP

“ Love you so much Austin ❤️



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**arielle parson** - March 28, 2021 at 03:31 PM