



## Franklin Delano Smith

January 13, 1937 - April 9, 2020

Franklin Delano Smith, 83 of Spring City passed away on April 9, 2020 at his lakeside home. He worked for Kemper Insurance Company as a claims manager for 32 years. After retiring in 1999 he and his wife moved to Spring City TN on Watts Bar Lake. He is a 1960 Graduate of University of Georgia as a Chemistry Major. He is a member at First Presbyterian Church in Spring City. Franklin loved his family, and enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He is preceded in death by his parents Charles and Iona Smith; his brother Ernest Smith; and granddaughter Carla Smith.

Franklin is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Barbara Hixson Smith; his son Rolyn (Del) Smith; daughter Elizabeth (Rob) Waggener; 6 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-granchild.

Private services will be held for the family.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to The First Presbyterian Church of Spring City TN for the Food Pantry.

Online guest book at [www.wilsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com). Arrangements by W.L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home Fort Oglethorpe, GA.



# Tribute Wall

LH

“ Being hired by Frank right out of college was one of the greatest things that could have happened for me as a young adult. He was an excellent mentor and cheerleader and exceptional friend. Though we had not worked together for over 20 years, I looked forward to our continued routine phone calls and I always felt a little extra special after we talked. I’m so happy I had one last call with him in February. Frank loved his family so much. Richards and I will continue to remember all of you in our prayers.

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Lynn Hill - April 14, 2020 at 05:33 PM

MW

“ My son and I have no family here. Frank and Barbara have been family for us. They've been there to help us celebrate our victories and bear our sorrows. Frank loved nature- building a nesting platform for osprey and watching them come back year after year. He grew prize worthy tomatoes, flowers with fabulous blooms. Fabulous cook! My son loved his venison jerky. And handsome! You ever see Frank and Barbara dressed up for square dancing? My what a handsome couple! ?Think he might have been a GA bulldogs fan? LOL Frank loved his family to nth degree, certainly no man ever loved his wife more. And we have been blessed to be their friends. Love always-Minnie and Scott

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Margaret Wimmer - April 12, 2020 at 07:07 PM

GB

“ *My husband enjoyed talking to Frank about hunting and fishing. Frank was always so nice. He truly cared about people. Our church family will definitely have a missing piece. Rest easy dear sir.*

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**Georgette Boozer** - April 11, 2020 at 10:45 PM

LA

“ *First time I met Frank was at church. He reminded me so much of my dad. Frank and I would talk about hunting. He was a dear member of our church family. Prayers and loving thoughts to Barbara and family.*



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**Lesa F and ady** - April 11, 2020 at 06:18 PM

JE

*You would never meet a better friend then Frank always very caring and a good neighbor,we surely miss him and Barbara driving by and waving we are so sorry for your loss*

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**Jerry and Ellen** - April 12, 2020 at 06:19 PM

MM

“ *Best boss best friend. One of the smartest people I ever knew. Great sense of humor. Will be greatly missed. Sorry Frank, but I still don't like venison.*

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**Margaret McNair** - April 10, 2020 at 05:54 PM

JB

*I only had the pleasure of knowing you a short time but what I knew of you and your beautiful wife is you both are kind loving people who cared deeply for people in general and you have a big hearts I feel very blessed to have known you and you will be sorely missed.*

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**Joyce Bloore** - April 11, 2020 at 02:41 PM

VC

*Some of the happiest times in my life was when Frank and Barbara were hunting and fish with John and I we made some beautiful memories. You will surely be missed.*

**Velda clark** - April 11, 2020 at 04:13 PM

PT

*Barbara, so sorry for the loss of your husband. You all were such a cute couple in school. Patsy Thompson Stoker*

**Patsy Thompson** - April 12, 2020 at 03:48 PM