



## Jerry Preston Smith

September 21, 1943 - April 20, 2024

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Rayne, LA - Private graveside services will be held at a later date for Jerry Preston Smith, 80, who died Saturday, April 20, 2024, at Ochsner Acadia General Hospital in Crowley, LA.

He was a man with many hats, a father, grandfather, brother, son and poppy and he wore each one proudly. He loved being outdoors messing around in the garden flower beds and whatever he picked up on the side of the road (a/k/a Fred Sanford). When he wasn't outside, he was glued to the tv watching wrestling or listening to swamp pop music really loud which he loved. He had a sense of humor that could make anyone laugh or smile. He took pride in everything he did and always let you know that being a Smith meant something. He was a simple man that didn't need or want much to make him happy but brought so much to others.

Survivors include his three daughters, Nichole Robbins, Rose Smith, Sheila Smith Bernheisel, five sons, Lance Smith, Farrell Smith, Westley Bower, Jarrit Bower, Stoney Smith, 22 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, sister, Mary Alice Mire and spouse Harris Mire, brother, Jessie James Smith and spouse Gussie D. Smith.

He was preceded in death by his father, Preston Smith, mother, Louise Broussard Blanchard, daughter, Angela Smith, great-grandson, Jackson Coleman, great-granddaughter, Cambri Coleman, fiancée, Lou Gabus, two brothers, Harris Blanchard, Preston Smith, two sisters, Elizabeth Blanchard, Mary Campbell.

Friends may view the obituary and guestbook online at [www.gossenfuneralhome.net](http://www.gossenfuneralhome.net).

Arrangements have been entrusted to Gossen Funeral Home, Inc. of Rayne, LA, (337) 334-3141.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Daniel Blanchard lit a candle in memory of  
Jerry Preston Smith* ”



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**Daniel Blanchard** - April 23, 2024 at 01:32 AM