



## Christopher Tyree Smith

January 2, 1957 - May 27, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:  
CHRISTOPHER TYREE SMITH

Serving Location:  
CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME  
31 Memorial Drive, Murphysboro, Illinois

Christopher Tyree Smith, age 67 of Carbondale, passed away Monday, May 27, 2024 in his home.

He was born January 2, 1957 in Eldorado to Donald and Betty Jane (Tyree) Smith.

Chris was a resident of Carbondale since birth. He graduated from Carbondale High School, Class of 1976, where he was a member of the National Honor Society. He then studied art at SIU and in the early 80's he studied computer science at John A. Logan.

He was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church, Carbondale and for many years was on the Administrative Board. He designed and started the

first website for the church and served as the web master for 17 years. He designed the art for all the tee shirts for the Grace Races which the church sponsored for 25 years starting in 1992.

Chris is survived by his cousins, Lee Ann Grief, her daughter, Blaina and family; Zach Ballard and Eric (Betty) Brannock, their children, Jason, Erin and Shea and families; many Smith relatives and their families; his church family and a host of friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral Services for Christopher Tyree Smith will be Friday, May 31 2024 at 11:00 am in Grace United Methodist Church, Carbondale with Pastor Marty McMichael officiating. Interment will follow in Wolf Creek Cemetery, Eldorado.

Visitation will be Thursday, May 30, 2024 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm in Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home.

Visitation will also be Friday, May 31, 2024 from 10:00 am until the hour of the service in Grace United Methodist Church, Carbondale.

Expressions of love may be directed to Grace United Methodist Church, Carbondale and will be accepted at the funeral home and the church.

# Cemetery Details

## Wolf Creek Cemetery

Eldorado, IL 62930

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 30.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home - Old 13  
31 Memorial Dr.  
Murphysboro, IL 62966  
(618) 687-2500  
crain@crainsonline.com

## Visitation

**MAY 31.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace United Methodist Church  
220 N Tower Rd  
Carbondale, IL 62901-1931  
(618) 457-8785

## Funeral Service

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MAY **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace United Methodist Church  
220 N Tower Rd  
Carbondale, IL 62901-1931  
(618) 457-8785

# Tribute Wall

MS

“ Oh Chris, what a bright and beautiful light you were in this world. Your physical presence is gone from us now, but your light will live on in those of us who knew and loved you. I know you are rejoicing in being with God and with your parents again. RIP Chris.

Martha Searcy - May 30, 2024 at 07:00 PM

BV

“ Chris was the best person to be round. He was so happy. I loved going in as his caregiver and helping. His whole family was just fantastic. Fly high. You will truly be missed.



Brandy Vincent - May 30, 2024 at 12:10 PM

MG

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Chris as a caregiver threw Addus I filled in when his regular caregiver had to have a day off. Chris and his family were Always so kind. I make Chris giggle when I was asked to come and help out I would say I told my Chris I was going to visit my other Chris as my other half name is also Chris.. Mr. Chris Smith You will always be remembered and never forgotten my you rest high up in those clouds. My prayers and thoughts go out to all the family and friends as they go threw the hard times

Michelle Garcia - May 29, 2024 at 03:08 AM



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May 28, 2024 at 06:17 PM



“ Sending my condolences to Chris's family and friends. Chris has been a very inspirational friend, neighbor, sensational community Christian and intelligent educational mentor as well as an awesome painter amongst other talents. I will miss His smile, His friendliness, His patience, His perseverance, and love for all who adored His presence of just being. Keep His legacy alive in your hearts, souls, and minds. He is now with His loved ones in heaven and enjoying His brand-new healed body as an angel watching all of us from paradise. He appreciated all who helped Him live the fullest life possible. Hugs and prayers. Enjoy heaven Chris. Appreciate your teachings and example of a long life here on earth thru life and scriptures from our Lord Jesus Christ. Karen McNeely McMinn Carbondale IL



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**Karen McNeely McMinn** - May 28, 2024 at 06:08 PM