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Decatur-Thomas E. Smith, 66, of Decatur, passed away Monday, April 9, 2018 in St. Mary's Hospital.

Tom was born January 8, 1952 in Decatur, Illinois, the son of Walter C. and Kathryn M. (Meers) Smith. He received his Bachelor's degree from Lewis University. Tom worked in education most of his life. He was the Education Director of Webster-Cantrell Hall and employed with the Decatur Public School District retiring after forty years of service. Tom was member of Saints James and Patrick and member and past officer with the Knights of Columbus Darrell W. Beck Council #577. He also enjoyed playing golf.

Tom is survived by his brother Stephen E. Smith and wife Ronda, nieces Kelli Runyon and husband Craig and Stefanie Hopkins and husband Matthew, nephew Thaddeus Smith, great-nieces Amelia and Greta Hopkins, and great-nephew William Runyon.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents.

Mass of Christian Burial to celebrate Tom's life will be 10:00 AM Monday, April 16, 2018 in St. James Catholic Church, 742 East Clay Street Decatur, with Rev. John Burnette celebrant. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 PM Sunday, April 15, 2018 in Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to St. Teresa High School.

Tom's family would like to give a special thanks to Father John Burnette for all of his visits, prayers, and support.

The family of Thomas E. Smith is being served by the Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Ave. Decatur, IL. Please view the online obituary, send condolences, and share memories at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.



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TM

Terry Munson posted:

He was a great customer at Mac's Tackle Box. Dreamers Diner-last saw him at The Four Star Diner. Rest in peach friend. Loved our conversations-I still hear your voice in my ears

April 16 at 8:16 AM

JV

John Vainisi posted:

Tom and I were TKE fraternity brothers at Lewis in the early 70s. I remember well his easy smile and soft drawl (...and great golf swing). Representing all the Tekes, please accept our condolences. Tom is now a Frater Eternal

April 15 at 12:50 PM

DW

Don Sloan, Westchester, IL posted:

I roomed with Tom for a semester at Lewis University. He was a great guy who was love and will be remembered by many of us up here in Chicago.

April 12 at 6:57 PM

SB

Steve Briggs posted:

I am so sorry to hear of Tom's passing. My sincere condolences to his family and friends. He was one of the good guys who dedicated his life to service in education. I'll miss his good humor on the golf course and at the KC Hall.

April 12 at 11:18 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Thomas by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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