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James "Pat" Patrick Smith, 58, passed away at home in Woodbridge on December 5, 2023, with Joyce, his devoted wife, and Teressa, whom he loved and cherished as his own daughter, by his side. Pat was blessed with a large yet close-knit family, which included his sister, Kelley Edwards, son-in-law Jeremy Karaskevics, along with his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews, cousins, and especially his sweet granddaughter Laney, who was an endless source of joy, pride and laughter for him following her birth earlier this year. Pat was preceded in death by his parents, Peg and Calvin Smith.

In addition to his beloved family members, Pat leaves behind many friends, neighbors, and work colleagues who will forever miss his quick sense of humor, infectious laugh, and brilliant smile. In his youth, Pat proudly and selflessly served his country as a member of the U.S. Marine Corps. After his military service, Pat worked in the beverage industry for 30 years as a Senior Account Manager for popular drink brands. He had an outstanding work ethic, loved his job, and deeply valued the friendships he made there: despite waking up before dawn each day to hit the road in his beloved truck, Pat would often stay after work for a few hours, just to spend quality time with his

co-workers.

Pat was a loyal and trustworthy person, a good and honest man who had the courage of his convictions, yet was always respectful of others and their viewpoints. He was a die-hard fan of 7-time NASCAR Cup Champion Jimmie Johnson, and loved sharing his passion and knowledge of the sport with others. Pat was also a talented woodworker who was known to be handy with tools, able to fix or build just about anything, be it a backyard firepit or putting up a countless number of storage sheds for friends and neighbors over the years.

Pat was an animal lover and proud “Cat Dad” to several lucky pets, but held a special place in his heart for his enormous orange & white cat Buster, his faithful and furry TV-watching buddy for the past 11 years.

Most of all, Pat loved spending time with his best friend and love of his life, Joyce. His favorite pastime was simply to be with her, and he embraced their life together to the fullest. Whether it was jet skiing on the Potomac River and Lake Anna, visiting their North Carolina beach house, camping at Prince William Forest Park, or throwing back a screwdriver at the rockin’ Smith Bar he built in their home, Pat’s greatest source of happiness came from spending time with his wife, whom he considered his soulmate, a sentiment she wholeheartedly shared.

Pat was taken from his loved ones way too soon, but his legacy of love and larger-than-life presence left an indelible mark on all who had the pleasure of knowing him, ensuring that he will live on forever in our memories.

The family will receive mourners at Miller Funeral Home on Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 3200 Golansky Blvd., Woodbridge, VA, from 2-4:00 p.m. and 6-8:00 p.m. A funeral service will be held on Friday, December 15,

2023 at Holy Family Catholic Church, 14160 Ferndale Rd. Woodbridge, VA
22193 at 10:30 a.m. with interment to follow at 1:00 p.m. at National Memorial
Park, 7482 Lee Highway, Falls Church, VA.

Cemetery Details

National Memorial Park

7482 Lee Hwy
Falls Church, VA 22042

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.
3200 Golansky Blvd.
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-878-CARE (2273)
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

Visitation

DEC 14. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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3200 Golansky Blvd.
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-878-CARE (2273)
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Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 15. 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Family Catholic Church
14160 Ferndale Road
Woodbridge, VA 22193

Interment

DEC 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

National Memorial Park
7482 Lee Hwy
Falls Church, VA 22042

Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Glass Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*

The Glass Family - December 16, 2023 at 03:01 PM

ZA

“ *Zachary Andrade purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*



Zachary Andrade - December 14, 2023 at 01:58 PM

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“ *Zachary Andrade planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*

Zachary Andrade - December 14, 2023 at 01:58 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*



December 12, 2023 at 07:13 PM

LM

“ Love, Britt (Gill) Bueti & Mike planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.

Love, Britt (Gill) Bueti & Mike - December 12, 2023 at 07:13 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.



December 12, 2023 at 11:17 AM

CB

“ Carmen, Rick, Mark, Bob, & Bev planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.

Carmen, Rick, Mark, Bob, & Bev - December 12, 2023 at 11:06 AM

CF

“ Chuck Coulter and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.



Chuck Coulter and Family - December 12, 2023 at 10:38 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*



December 11, 2023 at 09:02 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*



December 11, 2023 at 06:51 PM



“ *Much love, Todd and Cheryl Edwards planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*

Much love, Todd and Cheryl Edwards - December 11, 2023 at 06:51 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*



December 11, 2023 at 06:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.



December 11, 2023 at 04:33 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath* was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.



December 11, 2023 at 12:16 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.



December 10, 2023 at 03:27 PM



“ *Much Love, Nory Fink and Jacek Capala* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.

Much Love, Nory Fink and Jacek Capala - December 10, 2023 at 03:27 PM

DG

“ I will miss Pat, my neighbor for 20 plus years. Throughout all the years of knowing Pat, he always greeted me with a smile. He and his wife Joyce shared a life anyone who knew them could see. My prayers always to Joyce and Family.
Delores

Delores Glass - December 10, 2023 at 08:57 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.



December 10, 2023 at 06:37 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.



December 09, 2023 at 01:54 PM

JA

“ Our silliness always no matter where we were.
RIP: Pat 🙏💔



Jayne - December 08, 2023 at 09:34 PM

JM

Rest in Peace Pat. Prayers for you from many you knew.

John Madrid - December 09, 2023 at 02:14 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*



December 08, 2023 at 07:33 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*



December 08, 2023 at 03:05 PM

SF

“ *Shrewsberry, Acosta and Wiser Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Pat" Patrick Smith.*

Shrewsberry, Acosta and Wiser Families - December 08, 2023 at 03:05 PM

LY

“ We are so heartbroken over Pat's passing. He was the one who got us hooked on NASCAR, and we loved spending time with him and Joyce at the Smith Bar and here at our house in NJ. He was taken way too soon, and will be missed forever. -- The Yakomin Family



Lisa Yakomin - December 08, 2023 at 08:40 AM