



Dennis G. Smith

October 13, 1946 - October 5, 2025

Wantage - Dennis G. Smith, age 78, passed away on Sunday, October 5, 2025 at Newton Medical Center. Born one of five sons to the late James J. Smith and Ruth (Tucker) Collins, Dennis was raised in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn, New York, where he attended Saint Cecilia's School. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1965 and served his country during the Vietnam War. Dennis had been employed by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey as a police officer for 27 years, retiring in 2000. After moving to Sussex County, he became an active member of the American Legion Post 213 in Wantage and a lifetime member of the VFW Post 15031 of Vernon. He was also a member of the Police Benevolent Association. Dennis was predeceased by his wife, Sharon Smith in 2017. He is survived by his son, Dennis J. Smith and his wife LeeAnn of Wantage; his two grandchildren, Christian Smith and his wife Rose of Rahway and Isabel Smith of North Caldwell; his sister-in-law, Ida Smith of New York State; his niece; Kathleen Mott and her husband Lucien of New York State; his nephew, Thomas Smith of New York State; his first wife, Maria Smith of Jersey City; and his beloved canine companion, Clancy.

Friends may pay their respects to the family from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, October 11, 2025 at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. American Legion services and military honors will be held at 11:30 a.m. at the funeral home. A celebration of life will immediately follow

at the American Legion, 915 NJ State Route 23, Sussex. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation in Dennis Smith's memory to the American Legion Post 213, P.O. Box 447, Sussex, NJ 07461. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.pinkelfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Private Cremation Services

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 11. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Pinkel Funeral Home, Inc.
31 Bank Street (Route 23)
Sussex, NJ 07461
(973) 875-3272
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Celebration of Life

OCT 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

American Legion Post 213
915 State Route 23
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Tribute Wall

RD

“*Roseanne Rosanna Danna purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dennis G. Smith.*”



Roseanne Rosanna Danna - October 09, 2025 at 05:34 PM



“*Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Dennis G. Smith.*”



October 09, 2025 at 12:46 PM

FP

“*Frank Conti, Pres. Port Authority PBA purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Dennis G. Smith.*”



Frank Conti, Pres. Port Authority PBA - October 09, 2025 at 09:57 AM

TM

“*Sincerest condolences to the Smith Family. Smitty, thanks for always looking out for us young bucks on the job. Continue to watch over us my friend.*”

Tom McHale - October 08, 2025 at 03:31 PM

LS

“ Love, Michael and Michelle Smith purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dennis G. Smith.



Love, Michael and Michelle Smith - October 07, 2025 at 07:33 PM

LS

“ Love, Michael and Michelle Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis G. Smith.

Love, Michael and Michelle Smith - October 07, 2025 at 07:33 PM

KM

“ Kathy Mott purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Dennis G. Smith.



Kathy Mott - October 07, 2025 at 05:58 PM

KM

“ Kathy Mott planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis G. Smith.

Kathy Mott - October 07, 2025 at 05:58 PM

TS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Thomas Smith - October 06, 2025 at 10:17 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of Dennis G. Smith.



October 06, 2025 at 08:25 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dennis G. Smith.

October 06, 2025 at 08:25 PM

CS

“ 1 file added to the album Memories



Christian Smith - October 06, 2025 at 08:08 PM