



## W. Allen Smith

December 3, 1936 - September 17, 2015

W. Allen Smith, 78, of Poneto, passed away at 6:30 a.m. Thursday, September 17, 2015, at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Allen was born on December 3, 1936 in Poneto to Howard E. & Mary (Roof) Smith. He graduated from Liberty Center High School with the class of 1954. He served his country in the United States Army from 1956-1958.

He worked in the family business of Smith's Garage & Trucking in Poneto for over 50 years. Allen was a founding lifetime member of the Poneto Volunteer Fire Department, where he served as chief for over 30 years. He was a lifetime member of the Poneto United Methodist Church.

On October 25, 1959, Allen married Mary L. Brinneman at the Poneto United Methodist Church, she preceded him in death on April 10, 2012. On December 23, 2012, at Poneto United Methodist Church, he married Rebecca "Becky" (Bulger) Stone, she survives in Poneto.

He is also survived by children; Len (Sue) Smith, Gary (Doreen) Smith and Cindy (Doug) Moser, Vernon Stone, all of Poneto and Jennifer (Russell) Mounsey of Keystone. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren along with a sister Caroline J. (Cliff) Rush of Poneto and sisters-in-law, Mary (Kenyon) Smith-Sprunger of Poneto and Arleen Smith of Bluffton.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary, and two brothers, Jack and Robert "Bob" Smith.

A Funeral Service for Allen will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday (September 23, 2015) at the Poneto United Methodist Church. Pastor Roy Nevil and Pastor Mike Smith will officiate. Calling hours will take place from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday and from 2 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home, and for one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the church. Burial will follow at Grove Cemetery in Poneto, where military honors will be performed by the United States Army Honor Guard and the American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton. Memorials may be made in Allen's memory to the Poneto United Methodist Church or the Poneto Volunteer Fire Department. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends may send online condolences to the Smith family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Grove Cemetery

5136 South 100 East  
Bluffton, IN 46714

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **21**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Visitation

SEP **22**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Visitation

SEP **23**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Poneto United Methodist Church  
36 East Walnut Street  
Poneto, IN 46781

## Service

SEP **23**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Poneto United Methodist Church  
36 East Walnut Street  
Poneto, IN 46781

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of W. Allen Smith*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - September 21, 2015 at 12:09 PM



“ *W. Allen Smith*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of W. Allen Smith.*



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September 22, 2015 at 12:28 PM

BJ

“ *Smith Family:*

*So many great memories fill my heart today w/ hearing of Al's passing. He would walk in and put a smile on my face every time he entered. He came in grumbling about the truck and would leave w/ a hug every time because he was more than a customer to me.*

*Rest in peace "Al" I will miss you until we meet again!*

*Prayers to all of you for peace and comfort.*

*Betsy Johnson*

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**Betsy Johnson** - September 22, 2015 at 12:11 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of W. Allen Smith.*



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September 22, 2015 at 09:37 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of W. Allen Smith.*



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September 21, 2015 at 03:11 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of W. Allen Smith.



September 21, 2015 at 02:34 PM



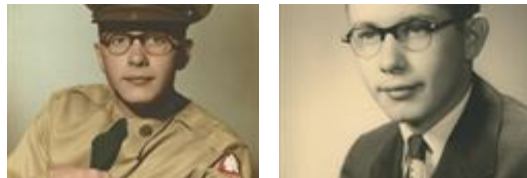
“ To all of Allen's family--we are so sorry to read about his passing. You are in our thoughts and Prayers. Marion & BJ Gray



Marion & BJ Gray - September 21, 2015 at 01:05 PM



“ 2 files added to the album LifeTributes



Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - September 20, 2015 at 01:26 PM



“ 58 files added to the album Life Tributes



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - September 20, 2015 at 11:41 AM



“ Shirley Markley lit a candle in memory of W. Allen Smith



Shirley Markley - September 19, 2015 at 09:20 AM



“ Jeannie Flowers lit a candle in memory of W. Allen Smith



Jeannie Flowers - September 17, 2015 at 10:11 PM



Ken and I are deeply saddened by the news of Allen's passing....May he fly high with the angels and may God wrap his arms around his loved ones and comfort you all thru these next difficult days.

Jeannie Flowers - September 17, 2015 at 10:14 PM

SP

*Sorry to hear about Allen's passing. Thinking of all his family at this difficult time.*

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**Susan Poulson** - September 18, 2015 at 09:33 AM

SM

*Denny & I are sorry to hear about Allen's passing. Our thoughts our with his family. Shirley Markley*

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**Shirley Markley** - September 19, 2015 at 09:23 AM