



## George "David" Smith

January 2, 1945 - September 13, 2024

George "David" Smith, aged 79, passed away on September 13, 2024, in Hampton, Virginia. Born on January 2, 1945, in Hopewell, Virginia, he grew up in a close-knit family and later graduated from Newport News High School.

After high school, David honorably served in the US Navy for four years, dedicating himself to his country with both pride and valor. His time in the service was marked by a commitment to excellence and a deep camaraderie with his fellow sailors.

Professionally, David was a skilled tile mechanic, a craft he perfected over many years. His meticulous work not only provided for his family but also beautified many homes and businesses in his community.

David was a passionate musician, often found playing his harmonica. This hobby brought joy not only to him but also those who had the pleasure of listening.

David was deeply devoted to his faith. He attended Freeway Baptist Church in Hampton, Virginia.

He is survived by his loving wife, Shirley Grissom Smith; his sons, Roy Smith, and his wife Lisa, Buddy Smith, and David J. Smith; his grandchildren Ronnie

and Star; his siblings, Donald Smith, his wife, Julie; Sheila Smith Jones, Joseph Daniel Smith, wife Rita, Sandra Smith Mejia, husband, Ronnie, and Steven Scott Smith. David was preceded in death by his parents, George D. Smith and Mary Martha Neal Smith.

David will be remembered for his dedication to his family, his service to his country, and his joyful musical talent. His legacy will live on in the hearts of those who knew him.