



Jimmy Daniel "JD" Smith

Jimmy Daniel "JD" Smith, 72, of Strasburg, died at the Essa Flory Hospice Center on Tuesday, November 4, 2008. JD's family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude for the care he received from Hospice of Lancaster County.

Born in Ft. Smith, Arkansas, he was the son of the late Daniel W. and Stella I. Yaden Smith. JD grew up in Monett, Missouri and graduated from Monett High School. He then met and married his wife of 51 years, Mildred "Millie" Baker Smith.

JD and Millie moved to Enid, Oklahoma in 1973 to continue his career as a trainsman and then a conductor for the BNSF Railroad. He retired in 1998 after 42 years with the railroad. In 1999, they moved to Strasburg to be near family, where he became affectionately known as Paw to his new neighbors and friends. His friendly "hello" will be missed by everyone he met. JD enjoyed life to the fullest, as he loved fishing, jogging, participating in numerous triathlons and walks with his dog, Rails.

His family that gave JD great joy and delight includes his wife Millie, daughters Kim Smith of Enid, OK and Karen, wife of John Imhof and their children Gabe, Liz, Josh and Lauren, all of Strasburg. JD is also survived by his siblings, Joe Smith of Ft. Gibson, OK, John Smith of Muskogee, OK, Patsy Lou Musgrove of Pine Bluff, AR and Stella Pitts of Kirkland, WA.

Come and celebrate JD's life at a memorial celebration on Tuesday, Nov. 11th, at 7:00 p.m., at Strasburg Assembly of God, 211 Gap Road, Strasburg, PA, with Jeff Bender officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of Lancaster County, P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125. Arrangements by Bachman Funeral Home, Strasburg, PA.