



# Robert Smith

**Alton | Monday, January 12 2015**

Robert “Bob” Rolland Smith, age 77, peacefully went to be with our Heavenly Father at 9:11 am on Monday, January 12, 2015 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

He was born in Grayslake, IL on July 1, 1937, the son of the late Delbert A. & Mildred C. (Schaefer) Smith.

He was the loving husband of Jean R. (Crawford) whom he married on December 21, 1957 in Alton at St. Matthew’s Catholic Church. She preceded him in death on January 6, 2008.

Bob was employed with the State of Illinois as a counselor for 30+ years, retiring in 1992. He was active up until his death, spending time working in his yard, gardening, reading, attending social gatherings and enjoying time with his family and friends, whom were numerous. He was a member of St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Alton where he helped in various capacities, including serving at Mass. He was also active in the SERRA Club and the local Knights of Columbus. Bob helped at St. Francis Convent as a Mass server and a worshipper in the Adoration Chapel. He enjoyed vintage Hollywood films, jazz bands and period music, teaching for SWIC and Lewis and Clark Colleges and, most of all, volunteering for varying Catholic and religious organizations.

He is survived by seven children and their spouses, Dr. Glenn & Dr. Cynthia Ochipa-Smith of Lutz, FL; Jeanine & Mark Morelli of Brock, NE; Darren & Janet Smith of Godfrey; Todd Smith of Denver, CO; Grethen & Rodney Cook of Godfrey; Allison & Mark Cowgill of Breese, IL; and Peter Smith of St. Louis, MO; twenty-three Grandchildren; four great grandchildren; two sisters and a brother-in-law, Dr. Dianne Parker of Albuquerque, NM and Cynthia & Ron Frick of O’Fallon, MO; and several nieces nephews.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 pm Friday, January 15, 2015 at Staten-Fine Funeral Home in Alton.

A Mass will be held at 10 am Thursday, January 16, 2015 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alton.

Burial will be at St. Joseph Cemetery in Alton, IL.

Memorials may be made to St. Francis Convent, Peter's Pence and/or Mission: American Gratitude.

Online condolences and guestbook may be found at [www.staten-fine.com](http://www.staten-fine.com)