



Rickey Lee Smith

May 16, 1954 - October 31, 2025

Rickey Lee Smith, 71, of Newnan, Georgia, was born on May 16, 1954, and passed away on October 31, 2025, surrounded by the love of his family and the enduring presence of his wife, Vicki—his partner of 54 years. Together, they grew up, built a blessed life he was proud of, and weathered each storm side by side. Over the past year, as Rickey faced illness, Vicki remained his constant—his caregiver, his comfort, his strength, his rock. Their love was the kind that few ever get to experience: forged in youth, tested by time, and deepened by every shared moment.

A man of grit, grace, and devotion, Rickey was always ready to lend a hand to anyone in need and had a remarkable ability to fix just about anything. In the 1980s, he founded Smith Pipeline, Inc.—a testament to his entrepreneurial spirit and tireless dedication. Whether operating his tractor or “playing in the dirt,” Rickey found joy and success in honest labor. His hands told the story of a man who built more than pipelines during the week or ponds on the weekends; he built a legacy.

There is an immeasurable circle of family, friends, neighbors, and employees who were touched by Rickey’s generosity, leadership, and humor over the years. He lived with purpose and intention, never giving up.

Rickey is survived by his wife, Vicki; their three strong daughters, Carmen Sanders, Kimberly Smith (Sandra), and Ashley (Brad Crabtree); and their beloved grandchildren, Madisson, Lucas, Brooks, Natalia, and Esperanza. He also leaves behind Sisters Jackie Hiers and Mary Fritts, Brother Bobby Smith,

extended family, and friends. Rickey was preceded in death by his mother, father, step mother, brother, sisters, son-in-law and many others excitedly welcoming him into his Heavenly home.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to NICU Parent Club, www.nicuparentclub.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 6. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory
8355 Senoia Road
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Funeral Service

NOV 7. 1:00 PM.

Parrott Funeral Home Chapel

Interment to follow at Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Newnan

Tribute Wall



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Rickey Lee Smith



Parrott Funeral Home - November 07, 2025 at 10:12 AM



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rickey Lee Smith



Parrott Funeral Home - November 03, 2025 at 01:37 PM

YG

A very beautiful tribute video.

Yvette Gestler - November 05, 2025 at 09:42 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rickey Lee Smith.



November 05, 2025 at 11:47 AM

JO

“ *Jon and Christy Owens purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Rickey Lee Smith.*



Jon and Christy Owens - November 04, 2025 at 10:07 PM

LF

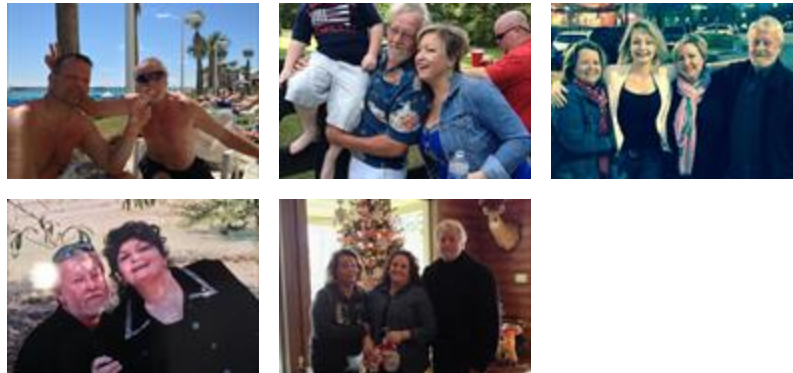
“ *Lopez Family purchased the Divine Light for the family of Rickey Lee Smith.*



Lopez Family - November 04, 2025 at 09:40 PM

KS

“ *34 files added to the album Rickey's Adventures over the years*



Kimberly Smith - November 04, 2025 at 06:53 PM

BZ

“ *Bob, Shelby, MacKenzie & Zachary purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rickey Lee Smith.*



Bob, Shelby, MacKenzie & Zachary - November 04, 2025 at 04:43 PM

CG

“ *Vickie, Rickey and the family were wonderful neighbors on Southwood Rd. Rickey was a great man. I know he will be missed. Prayers for the family.*
Carole Green

Carole Green - November 04, 2025 at 02:02 PM

HG

“ *Heavy Equipment Repair, Carrollton, Ga purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Rickey Lee Smith.*



Heavy Equipment Repair, Carrollton, Ga - November 04, 2025 at 01:04 PM

AS

“ 19 files added to the album Rickey's Adventures over the years



Ashley - November 03, 2025 at 09:26 PM



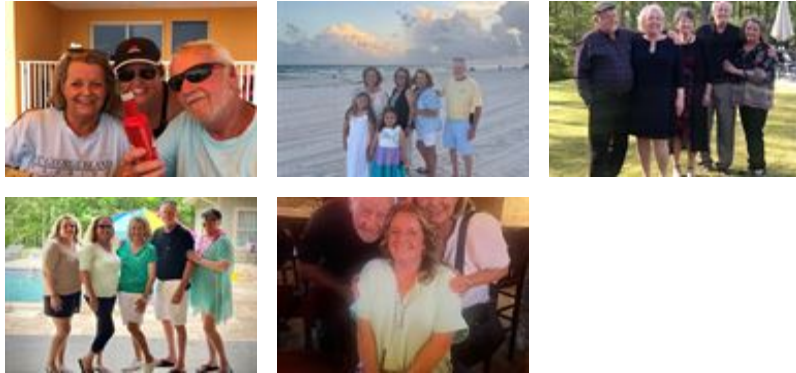
“ Ricky I Love You so very much

You was my cousin but I always looked up to you and Vicki as my Aunt and Uncle. you was always there for me and Denise and my mother Betty and we all had so many good times and made many wonderful memories ❤️💎. I always loved the many trips to Florida with you and Aunt Vicki and Bobby Joe And Billie Jo you always took me along and made sure I had the most wonderful time and I most definitely loved every moment I got to spend with you all. Ricky you are my Hero and my Confordon and truly one of my best cousin and the Brother I didnt have. you always stepped up to that role with me and most definitely made sure inwas was okay.. I Love you so much (Uncle Ricky) and I know your with my Mother and Uncle El and Auntie Elouise and Denise and other precious Family members that we all love .but I can't let go of you right now maybe im being selfish but I just can't Ricky. God please help me because this is breaking my heart and hurting so bad ..God I love him so very much and I hope Ricky knows how much he meant to me and how much I loved him.

Marsha Harmon - November 03, 2025 at 03:25 PM



“ 72 files added to the album LifeTributes



Parrott Funeral Home - November 03, 2025 at 11:47 AM

HH

“ Uncle Ricky was a very special uncle! He did so much for me ,my family my mom / his sister ! He stood by mom during one of the hardest times in our lives. He never left her side for one moment or even complained about how long he would have to stay/ come back every day. It's true that Ricky loved his family and would do anything for them! They don't make many men like Ricky anymore. I was blessed to call him, uncle.! And until we meet again, I'll hold my special memories of him and the wonderful things he accomplished over the years.

Hollie Hester - November 02, 2025 at 04:09 PM

FF

“ From The Dixon Family purchased the Country B asket Blooms for the family of Rickey Lee Smith.



From The Dixon Family - November 01, 2025 at 07:57 PM

SF

“ So sorry to hear this news of Rickey's passing. Sending love, hugs, prayers and condolences to Vicki and the family . Yall have always been so sweet to Chip and our family. We always enjoyed spending time with yall. It was at yalls condo in Florida when I saw my first angel! I feel sure that Rickey is entertaining everyone in Heaven as he always enjoyed doing on earth. We love yall! Susan Flowers and family

Susan Flowers - November 01, 2025 at 07:38 PM

LW

“ Carmen,

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time.

Lea Johnson Winkles

Lea Winkles - November 01, 2025 at 07:14 PM